

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF GOVERNING BOARD OF THE  
NORTHERN ARIZONA FIRE DISTRICT  
THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 2021**

The Governing Board of the Northern Arizona Fire District met this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June 2021, at 6:00 p.m. for its regular monthly meeting at 2600 E Northern Avenue, Kingman, Arizona. Zoom was also utilized for this meeting. The Zoom meeting website, meeting phone number and meeting ID were all listed on the agenda that has been provided and posted.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bailey at 6:00 p.m.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Chairman Bailey led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS** – Board members present: Chairman Jim Bailey, Director John Bryant, Director Mike Collins, Director Sue Wilkin, and Director Sue Brown.
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Director Brown moved to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of May 20, 2021, as submitted. Director Collins seconded the motion. There were no questions or comments. Passed by unanimous decision. Motion carried.

5. **REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

- A. Chief's Report – Chief Rhoades gave his report in accordance with his memorandum and the Monthly Performance Report, both in the board packet.
- B. Financial Report – No discussion
- C. Correspondence – The District received a thank you card from KRMC for EMS Week.

6. **PUBLIC HEARING – BUDGET FOR FY 2021-2022**

The public hearing was opened by Chairman Bailey. He invited public comments. Jimmie Bodenhamer, a resident of the District, addressed the Board of Directors with his public comment. *He expressed his concern with Station 33 currently closed. He asked that they seriously consider reopening the station with at least 1 firefighter so they could at least have their BP taken, if needed.* Chief Rhoades express his understanding and said there is nothing he would like more than to reopen that station, however, due to manpower, they just don't have the personnel. Having one firefighter there presents safety hazards to that firefighter. It is in the plan down the road to reopen that station.

Chairman Bailey closed the public hearing.

Chairman Bailey made the motion to adopt Resolution 2021-004; approving and adopting the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget. Seconded by Director Bryant. There were no questions or comments. The vote was 3 yes to 2 no; Director Wilkin and Director Brown both voted no. Passed by a majority decision. Motion carried.

7. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION RE:**

- A. **Approval of the May Financial Report.** Director Wilkin asked if this has been adjusted since Valle Vista will no longer be a part of this come October? Chairman Bailey said that is actually the last item on the agenda. Chairman Bailey made the motion to approve the May financial report as submitted. Director Collins seconded the motion. There were no questions or comments. The vote was 4 yes and 1 no. Director Wilkin voted no. Passed by a majority decision. Motion carried.

- B. Discussion and possible Adoption of Resolution 2021-005; approving and authorizing the First Amendment of the IGA with the City of Kingman for Management Services.** Chief Rhoades explained that the management agreement expires June 30, 2021, and since the City of Kingman and the NAFD Board of Directors approved a feasibility study, which the results have not yet been shared with them (will be presented on June 30<sup>th</sup> at a Special Meeting) this is to extend the agreement until both sides have had an opportunity to hear the findings of the study. This extends the current agreement for six (6) months. Director Collins asked if this was at the current rate, pricewise? Chief Rhoades said it was. Director Collins made the motion to adopt Resolution 2021-005 approving and authorizing the First Amendment of the IGA with the City of Kingman for Management Services for an extension of six (6) months. Director Bryant seconded the motion. There were no questions or comments. Passed by unanimous decision. Motion carried.
- C. Discussion of Precise Builders' contract and possible action with regard to late penalties.** Chairman Bailey said he brought this up at the last meeting; however, Chief Rhoades wrote a letter outlining the delays and the extra costs he put into the building, so it answered his questions. In addition, the builder did accommodate our needs, didn't charge for all the improvements, and it did turn out really nice. Director Collins asked for clarification from the attorney, Donna Aversa, regarding his abstaining from any decisions regarding this builder. She asked the following: Do you have any financial attachments to the company? He stated, no, I have worked for them on other jobs, but as a subcontractor. Are you related to this person? He answered, no. Ms. Aversa said, "You are good to go Sir."
- D. Discussion and possible adoption of revised Resolution 2021-003 approving and authorizing the revised IGA with Golden Valley Fire District for Emergency Response Services.** Chief Rhoades explained this was actually adopted and approved last month, but the attorney for Golden Valley had a couple of revisions that are highlighted under 4D. Director Collins made the motion to adopt Resolution 2021-003 approving and authorizing the Intergovernmental Agreement with Golden Valley Fire District for Emergency Response Services, with the additional revisions, to the Chloride community. Chairman Bailey seconded the motion. There were no questions or comments. Passed by unanimous decision. Motion carried.
- E. Discussion and possible approval of SAVE Cooperative Purchase Agreement.** Chief Rhoades explained this is an agreement for them to look at our PSPRS debt, there is no financial commitment. They will be looking at how to save us money. Director Collins made the motion to approve the Strategic Alliance for Volume Expenditures (SAVE) Cooperative Purchase Agreement. Director Bryant seconded the motion. There were no questions or comments. Passed by unanimous decision. Motion carried.
- F. Discussion and possible action regarding Call to the Public.** Chairman Bailey said that from his discussion with the attorney, the call to the public is typically at the beginning of the meeting which would allow the public to make a comment on an item that is to be discussed. It used to be there but was moved to the end. The sign-up sheet has been revised and does allow the public to state which item on the agenda they would like to address. Director Collins said he would much rather have it at the top of the agenda. When he came on the board in 2008, there wasn't a call to the public on the agenda. He would like it at the top, he does want input as he makes his decisions. Chairman Bailey said this doesn't need any action, as he could have made this decision, however, he wanted the entire Board's input on this decision to move it to the top of the agenda.
- G. Discussion regarding Valle Vista's possible de-annexation from NAFD.** Attorney Donna Aversa stated that she has not heard anything regarding Valle Vista going through the de-annexation process and she has not heard from the County Attorney regarding that. Director Wilkin stated they have an accountant, an attorney, and anything else they need. Chairman Bailey said one of the

questions they did have was, if they leave prior to the end of a year, what happens to the money and how do we separate what they actually bring in (taxes)? Ms. Aversa reminded the Board members that we pay our property taxes in the rear, so the timing of that matters as far as annexations and de-annexations. She reminded the board with an annexation; you don't see that money until at least the next fiscal year. So, the same would apply in reverse. Chairman Bailey asked if they (Valle Vista) would then need a loan or something to get them started until the revenue started to come in? Ms. Aversa said that would be something they (Valle Vista) would work out with the County.


8. **CALL TO THE PUBLIC** – The District may, but is not required to, give the public an opportunity to speak to any issue. A.R.S. §38-431.01(H).

*There were no comments.*

9. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – There were no announcements.

10. **ADJOURNMENT** – Chairman Bailey moved to adjourn the meeting and Director Wilkin seconded it. Passed by unanimous decision. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

These minutes were prepared and posted by Rhonda Johnson on June 21, 2021.

  
James Bailey, Board Chairman

  
Mike Collins, Board Clerk