

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF GOVERNING BOARD OF NORTHERN  
ARIZONA CONSOLIDATED FIRE DISTRICT #1  
THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 2020**

**NOTICE:** Due to Coronavirus/COVID-19, Arizona Executive Order #2020-18, and CDC recommendations on social distancing, the building is closed to the public and this meeting will be conducted electronically. Members of the public may call in to hear the live audio by joining the Zoom meeting. Public comment or audio is not allowed during the meeting and attendance is to listen only per the guidance published by the Attorney General for the State of Arizona.

**MOHAVE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS VOTE TO DENY NACFD USAGE OF THE COUNTY  
AUDITORIUM**

**NORTHERN ARIZONA CONSOLIDATED FIRE DISTRICT #1 BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD VIRTUALLY  
JUNE 18, 2020 UTILIZING ZOOM**

The Governing Board of the Northern Arizona Consolidated Fire District #1 met via Zoom from remote locations this 18<sup>th</sup> day of June 2020, at 6:00 p.m. for its regular meeting. The Zoom meeting website, meeting phone number and meeting ID are all listed on the Agenda, that has been posted.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting was called to order by Board Chairman Bailey at 6:04 p.m.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Board Chairman Bailey led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS** – Board members present: Board Chairman Jim Bailey, Director John Bryant, Director Sue Wilkin, Director Erik Berg and Board Clerk Mike Collins were all present via Zoom from remote locations.
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** (for approval by unanimous consent after corrections/additions)  
Chairman Bailey moved to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of May 28, 2020 as submitted. Director Berg seconded the motion. Passed by unanimous decision. Motion carried.
5. **REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE**
  - A. Chief's Report
    - a. Fire Hydrants: Maintenance on the fire hydrants out at Valle Vista and Fountain Hills has started. All fire hydrants were located, weeded and static tested. We are working closely with Truxton Water Company to get that done. Surplus Vehicles: The Grumman pumper was delivered. Staffing: Hiring process for three positions of Firefighter/EMT/Paramedic has been reopened. We need medics. In addition, we have a lateral position of Captain/Paramedic, that testing will be in July. Training: We are focusing on the position of Engineer and on Engineer training. Revenue: We added this to the Chief's report due to revenue being added with some of our new processes. In Out-of-District billing we have collected \$3,800.00; Surplus \$48,000.00; and Wildland Billing with over \$2,400.00. Miscellaneous: Board update, we need to establish a Special Board Meeting for the purpose of executive session for legal advice regarding claim from Allied World Insurance Co, potentially on the same day as the Special Meeting to open bids. We can set this one to start right after the completion of that meeting, perhaps at 6pm. Operations Report: We had a total of 427 calls in May, a little higher than normal, including road-side fires, wildland fires and EMS. We continue to focus on turnout times. Our District calls – Station 31 had 230 calls, Station 32 had 127 calls, Station 33 had 13 calls and Station 35 had 29 calls in May.

Director Wilkin asked if Chief had an update on the Valle Vista fire hydrants. Chief repeated what he had covered at the beginning of his report. Director Berg asked if we had anyone in the Paramedic class at this time. Chief said we have one in Paramedic class. Director Berg also asked about the Wildland billing, when did we respond to those? Chief said we just started billing six months ago. The first one is dated 8/20/2019, then 7/5/2019, 8/6/2019 and 4/25/2020 and yes it does take some time to collect on those. In addition, we have a firefighter on a fire right now, up north.

B. Financial Report – No discussion or questions

C. Correspondence – The District received a thank you card from Frank Crouch thanking the three paramedics for saving his life on Memorial Day.

## 6. PUBLIC HEARING – BUDGET FOR FY 2020-2021

The public hearing was opened, Chairman Bailey began the hearing by reading the public comments as submitted (*these have been copied into the minutes without revision*):

Dannie & Joyce Stutzman

My wife and I reside at 3881 E. Hearne Ave and both of us are against spending \$1.9M on the hay building located on Northern Ave, as part of the budget Item Number 6 of the agenda. If this is part of the budget, the budget should not be approved as is, in are opinion.  
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My name is Becky Foster and I live at 4123 N. Stampede Rd. in Kingman, AZ.

Regarding Item 6A Public Hearing on the 2020/2021 Budget, I am opposed to the remodel of 2600 Northern as listed in Item 7H. I understand you are trying to budget \$1.9 million for this project which is not clear in your budget and seems really excessive. **Please note my concerns as a public comment. Thank you.**  
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My name is Arthur Grnica and I live at 3902 Packard Ave. In Kingman. I wanted to speak on the following agenda items.

Public Hearing 6A Budget

I looked at the budget and saw what looks like almost two million hidden for the remodel of 2600 Northern under capital assigned. Why does the board and chief not specify what this money is being used for? Everything is a secret with you guys. We tell you we don't want this building. Smaby from the County tells you there are too many problems with this building, so did Ed Koalic. This board is up for election in November. It looks like you are trying to bankrupt the district because you know you are getting voted out. You waited 8 years to do anything when everyone knows that this building is not a fire station. It is a hay barn. The public still doesn't want this building. I am against spending any of our tax money on this building.  
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Susan/Dennis Brown

9703 N. Saddleback Dr.

Kingman, AS 86401

To NACFD BOD;

In regards to Item 6A. First, how can you have a Public Hearing that you did not post a notice of anywhere? How is it public if you don't inform them of where or when, let alone how to respond!

Within item 6A, which is your 2020-2021 Budget, there is an entry of \$1,912,374.34 under Contingency Capital. This was the set-aside amount they need for all 90+ corrections and issues to convert 2600 Northern from a hay barn to a fire station. Neither my husband nor myself approve of you spending another dime on that building! We are in a pandemic, and headed into a recession worse than the one in 1930, What are you trying to do? Bankrupt NACFD?

Regarding item 7H. It was disclosed at a previous meeting that there were 90+ issues with that building at 2600 Northern Ave. You received bids of close to \$1,000,000 and there have been additional issues added since then. Those estimates are now null and void. No doubt those prices will go up! Now you want t to start over and put it out for bid and give them a June 30 deadline. In case you haven't noticed , we are in a recession, and it promises to get much worse, we are in a pandemic which is showing no signs of



going away. STOP wasting our taxpayers money on that nightmare. It's been a problem since the day it was purchased for \$500,000 for a shell of a building.

I hope maybe this will give you some food for thought on these issues. That money would be better spent on improving services to our taxpayers in our district! Thank you.

Susan/Dennis Brown

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Jimmie Bodenhamer - Taxpayer

5805 N Cedar Ridge Lane

Kingman, AZ

NACFD Board,

While I understand the need for the Fire District Board to approve their operating budget for 2020/2021, I find the version on the District website very brief and lacking in detail – and do not ever remember seeing any posting of this budget in the Kingman Daily Miner or reference to it being on you website, which I thought was Arizona law.

I as a Taxpayer have some concerns with your budget - for example on page three where there is an item that you appear to be attempting to hide as it is under the highlighted heading "Personnel Cost" which seems to be incorrect! My assumption would be that this item under "Contingency/Capital" of \$1,912,374.23 is for construction/modernization of 2500 Northern Ave into a new fire station! Why does your budget not state that is funds to 2600 Northern Ave, since everyone in the district knows the issues here! This is all taxpayer money you know!

The board efforts to hide anything relating to 2600 Northern Ave also appear to continue on your meeting agenda where item 7.H. "Set a date for a Special Meeting to Open Bids, Close Date is 6/30/2020 at 5PM" – which again as a taxpayer I must assume is for 2600 Northern Ave.

I have lived in this Fire District since 2005 when it was Hualapai Valley Fire District and now Northern Arizona Consolidated Fire District #1 – in fact I was on both Fire Boards as was in the first Chairman of the Board of NACFD and must question the urgency of work on 2600 Northern Ave which almost everyone knows is a less than adequate building!

In addition with Board elections coming up in a few months and three of the five Board positions up for reelection and contenders for all it will be the voters to select who runs the District – and new officers take control in December, whoever is elected should make the decision on 2600 Northern Ave as a new Board could have a very different view of how the Fire District should be run I hope!

I would therefore ask that item 7.H. be tabled with no action until we have a new Board!

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Board of Directors,

My name is Patti Lewis and I live at 5850 N Coral Bay, Kingman, AZ 86409. As you know, I served on the Hualapai Valley and Northern Arizona Fire Boards. In reference to your budget hearing, Item 6A of your agenda I am against the spending of any money on 2600 Northern Avenue, let alone the apparent \$1.9 million as listed on your budget. Your budget item is not clear to the public and I do not recall seeing the budget posted in the Daily Miner as we did for years as ordered by the County Treasurer.

I would like my comments read into the minutes on this item, and refer to them in Item 8 regarding the special meeting on 06/30/20 for item 7. Too much has come out about this building for us to waste another dime of our precious tax dollars on this building. I believe the best thing to do would be to seal it and start over with a clean slate for a real fire station. We were able to build station 3 with NO tax dollars and we could easily get property donated for a new station. As of this date, you don't have the budget to keep Station 3 open 24 hours a day 7 days a week. If you have any questions please contact me.

Patti

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My name is Suzette Eder and I live at 4197 Trail Ride Rd. in Kingman. I am a property owner, taxpayer and voter.

Item 6A Budget Hearing

I read your posted budget and like many, was surprised that you do not list the money you are trying to spend on 2600 Northern. This building was never designed to be a fire station, and this board wasted our tax dollars to buy it in 2012. You can blame Patti Lewis and Vic Riccardi all you want, but Bailey, Collins and Berg pushed for this building, along with your good friend then Fire Chief Pat Moore. This building is a disgrace to our community. As a former firefighter, I would be embarrassed to work in a painted over hay barn. But a coat of paint won't fix this will it? I know for a fact after talking to Mohave County P & Z that over half this building needs to be rebuilt before it will be acceptable. Why do you want to waste our tax dollars? I am against any public money being spent on this building, and it should be removed from the budget.



Chairman Bailey explained that the budget item for Capital Assigned is not for the fire station. It is for capital improvement projects, which includes the fire station, equipment replacement, buying into the new insurance account, which was approved last month. He also said, he didn't know where they were getting their information, you have not been told the truth about this and someone does not understand the budget process or the items they are trying to explain to you. It looks like you were all at the same meeting because you all say the same thing. Again, \$1.9 million is not budgeted for the building, we have no idea how much it will cost, that is the point of sealed bids. If it comes back and we don't think we can afford it, we probably won't vote for it. Nowhere has it been reported that the board would spend \$1.9 million on the remodeling of that building. Both Patti Lewis and Vic Ricciardi voted in favor of the purchase of this building and then Patti Lewis had wanted the then fire chief, Wayne Eder, to get that building up and running so we would be using it as a fire station. In addition, to those who say we are trying to hide something, we have hired a film crew to video tape all our meetings and all these have been posted to our website. You can also read the minutes – nothing is being hidden.

Director Berg discussed his concern over Station 31, which has three roofs and is need of a lot of repair. Chairman Bailey agreed and said that is why they went out looking for another building.

Chairman Bailey reminded the listeners that back when Wayne Eder was the fire chief the first time back in 2007 – 2008, he planned on purchasing a building out at the airport for \$500,000. We purchased a building bigger in size and that building was not a fire station at the time either, but no one had anything to say about that.

Director Berg encouraged those with concerns to get ahold of somebody on the Board and ask some questions so they can get some real answers in real time. They can get those answers to what they want to ask and know the complete truth and not the lies that are coming from somewhere else.

Director Collins stated that last year's budget had \$1.6 million in capital improvement, the year before was 1.6 million in capital improvement, so this year is no different to previous years. There is \$300,000 extra, so from a budget standpoint, it is earmarked as capital improvement, not just the building.

Chief Rhoades explained that the Workman's Comp, the cost of the building and apparatus maintenance and repair plan. The reason that number jumped up a little this year, is that we saved more money in the course of a year. We saved more the \$300,000 in this year's budget. We also closed the Mohave State Bank account for over \$300,000. Going into this fiscal year we actually had 1.1 million which was estimated a little high at 1.6 million. There is no illusion that the 1.9 goes solely to that building, but rather all capital assignments that are out there.

Director Wilkin asked if is there a spot where that contingency or capital assigned where is shows very specifically. Chief responded that no, its in that pool of money. Clerk Collins explained that about 4 to 5 years ago the County came out and said that anything labeled "Contingency" they could sweep as money not being spent. The County sees contingency as extra money and if you don't need it, they have passed legislation that says they can sweep it from us. Contingency Assigned is not a good term because you cannot assign contingency, it is left over or money we didn't spend.

Director Berg responded, so what you are saying, is if we put everything into Capital, they cannot take money from us but anything in contingency they can. Director Collins said that is exactly right. Capital is budgeted for and contingency is left over.

Director Wilkin agreed that it makes sense. She thinks that money should be used on things that are unexpected, like this virus, to buy PPE, etc. Director Collins agreed with her wholeheartedly. In everyday life, contingency is the "rainy day" fund or savings account. You must have money for the



“what if.” So now, it is the capital improvement fund. Anything we purchase to make the district better is a capital improvement.

THE BOARD TOOK A 5-MINUTE BREAK TO CHANGE THE CAMERA EQUIPMENT AND MAKE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE QUALITY OF THE MEETING AUDIO.

Chairman Bailey reminded all that nothing over \$50,000 can be spent without Board approval. There are still safeguards. No one is going to spend \$1.9 million on that building. It was never mention anywhere that we were going to spend \$1.9 million on that, we have no idea what the bids are going to be until we open them up on the 30<sup>th</sup> after the bid process closes. So, everyone has been given wrong information. I don't know where you got it, but it is wrong.

Director Wilkin believed that when we received the bid last year for almost a million dollars, based on plans with 90 deficiencies, people are assuming with the deficiencies addressed, it's going to make the bids go up. Chairman Bailey stated that deficiencies in the plans have been corrected by a draftsman and the architects, that has all been addressed. If it comes back that the thing is going to cost \$1.9 million, I doubt if they are going to get a vote. I doubt if any of the five of us would vote for it if it came back that high because we can't afford it.

Director Collins said that other fire departments have gone out for a new fire station and they are paying around \$300 a square foot. It is 1,200sq.ft. so you're looking at \$1.6 million to have a ground up fire station. Chairman Bailey added that Station 2 in the City is doing a remodel, they are adding one bay, remodeling the crew's quarters, and adding to it a little bit. The total building should be between 5,000 to 6,000 sq. ft., just estimating, and they are spending a little over \$1.1 million. For us to spend \$500,000 on a 1,200 sq. ft. building and a huge property that has already been cement covered and if we put another \$1 million, even \$1.3 million into it, we will have a building that is suitable for a fire station. The plans are to upgrade the building so it can be used as a fire station. The reason it has to be upgraded like that is because a fire station is considered an emergency shelter, so it has to withstand severe weather. Any building we buy around here will have to be brought up to that standard.

Director Wilkins asked, where the money is coming from for that building? Chairman Bailey answered that the money for 2600 Northern would come out of the capital assigned. That is what we saved the money for and that is what it is in there for. Director Collins added that it would not be wise to spend all the capital assigned on that building then have an engine go down. There definitely has to be money left in there. Chairman Bailey said this is why everyone is jumping the gun by accusing us of spending \$1.9 million on something that nobody ever said we would spend \$1.9 million on. We have no idea what the bids will be until we open them on June 30<sup>th</sup> and if we don't get two bids, they won't be opened.

Director Berg said that he believed that our previous bid was for \$800,000 so he doesn't see 90 improvements costing another \$300,000 to \$400,000, let alone another million dollars.

Director Wilkin countered that there were a whole bunch of things to work on that set of plans, such as replacing fire walls, ADA, she could go on. So how much is that going to add to that was close to a million dollars? Chairman Bailey responded that we have no idea how much that will add to the bids until we open them on June 30<sup>th</sup>. This is why we went back out to bid, because now we have a complete set of plans. Nobody is trying to jump the gun or hiding anything, so to accuse us of that is ridiculous.

Director Collins stated that we will have this conversation about the building again at another time.

Chairman Bailey closed the public hearing.



Director Berg made the motion to approve Resolution 2020-005 approving and adopting the budget for fiscal year 2020-2021, seconded by Director Bryant. The vote was 4 yes and 1 no; Director Wilkin voted no. Passed by majority decision. Motion carried.

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

- A.** Approval of the May Financial Report. Motion was made by Clerk Collins to approve the May financial report as submitted. Director Berg seconded the motion. Passed by unanimous decision. Motion carried.
- B.** Discussion and possible adoption of Resolution 2020-006 Declaring three vacancies on the Board for 2020 and Call for Elections. Director Collins made the motion to adopt Resolution 2020-006 declaring three vacancies on the Board for 2020 and call for elections. Director Berg seconded the motion. Passed by unanimous decision. Motion carried.
- C.** Discussion and possible approval of revised Promotions, HR Policy 3-010. Chief Rhoades explained that with our staffing we need a process to get our firefighters into driving capabilities quicker. Chairman Bailey made the motion to approve the revised Promotions, HR Policy 3-010, seconded by Director Wilkin. Passed by unanimous decision. Motion carried.
- D.** Discussion and possible approval of revised Job Description – Firefighter / EMT (A-001). Motion was made by Chairman Bailey and seconded by Director Bryant to approve the revised Firefighter / EMT job description – A-001. Passed by unanimous decision. Motion carried.
- E.** Discussion and possible approval of revised Job Description – Engineer (A-002) Chairman Bailey made the motion to approve the revised job description for Engineer – A-002. Director Berg seconded the motion. Passed by unanimous decision. Motion carried.
- F.** Discussion and possible adoption of Resolution 2020-007 Approving and Authorizing the IGA Between Northern Arizona Consolidated Fire District #1 and the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Truxton Canyon Agency for the Delivery of Emergency Services. Chief Rhoades said we are addressing an outdated agreement. Part of the old agreement included our staff from Valle Vista going out daily to check apparatus, which was unreasonable and was an apparatus we didn't need. We revised this for just emergency response. Chairman Bailey made the motion to adopt Resolution 2020-007 approving and authorizing the IGA between Northern Arizona Consolidated Fire District #1 and the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Truxton Canyon Agency for the Delivery of Emergency Services. Motion was seconded by Director Wilkin. Passed by unanimous decision. Motion carried.
- G.** Discussion and possible adoption of Resolution 2020-008 Approving the Designation of Applicant's Agent to the Arizona Department of Emergency and Military Affairs. Chief Rhoades explained that this is a cleanup of who is on our application forms when it comes to grants. The old application and process had Battalion Chief King on there and since he no longer administrates grants, we had to switch that over to Keith, who administrates these. Motion was made by Director Bryant and seconded by Director Wilkin to adopt Resolution 2020-008 approving the Designation of Applicant's Agent form submission to the Arizona Department of Emergency and Military Affairs, which designates the District's agent for applying for certain public assistance; and authorize the Chairman and Clerk of the Board of Directors to execute and deliver said application on behalf of the District. Passed by unanimous decision. Motion carried.
- H.** Set a date for a Special Meeting to Open Bids, Close Date is 6/30/2020 at 5pm. Director Collins made the motion to schedule a Special Meeting on 6/30/2020 at 5pm. Director Bryant seconded the motion. Passed by unanimous decision. Motion carried.

I. Discussion and report on complaints. Chief Rhoades said several items have been brought to the Board or from the Board. He would like to address it. Those items were brought to his attention along with the Board's and since it is a personnel action, he has reviewed and he not going to discuss since it is an operational issue. He has counseled the personnel on many different fronts, we are following the policy manual, but he is not going to discuss personnel actions or any type of personnel issues with the Board since that is operational or with members of the public. In addition, acting on hearsay, he said, she said, he will look into these items very carefully and gather all the facts. When the facts are not available, it is very, very hard to act.

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).

Call to the public was cancelled due to the guidance of the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and the recommendation and approval of the Attorney General's Office, letter dated March 13, 2020, due to the impact of the COVID-19.

Chairman Bailey read the public comments that were submitted electronically, as submitted (*these have been copied into the minutes without revision*):

David A. Dahmen  
9739 North Vista Dr  
Kingman, AZ 86401

I am opposed to spending any monies on the proposed remodel of the building at 2600 Northern Avenue.  
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Richard Veradt  
9536 N. Concho Drive  
Kingman, Az. 86401

I am voicing my opposition to the current NACFD board doing anything concerning 2600 Northern Avenue at this time. Through ineptness and an illegal bidding process thousands of taxpayer dollars have been flushed down the drain to no avail. Now this board plans to waste more taxpayers money on a building that will probably never be built. Three incumbent board members are up for election in November and they are all being opposed. There is a good chance the face of the board will change after the Nov3rd election. As you already know all of these candidates oppose building at 2600 Northern. They also oppose the contract with Kingman Fire Department and it's Chief. Why not do the right thing. Delay anything to do with 2600 Northern until after the election. Spend taxpayers dollars wisely.  
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Raymond A. Ricciardi  
Valle Vista resident

As resident and tax payer I'm concerned with the timing of the proposed Northern Avenue fire station. With the election of new board members just around the corner I am very curious about the timing of this open bid taking place for the new fire station. I oppose the existing Board making decisions for this large an expenditure when they may not be a part of the Board after the upcoming elections.  
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Barry and Alice Van Stockum  
9639 N Stetson Dr, Kingman, AZ 86401

Board Members I sincerely hope that item 7H has nothing to do with 2600 Northern bldg. To put a bid out when you have three Board members running for office this year is totally unrealistic. The bid in excess of \$1,600,000 of our tax money without having an open meeting for discussion at length in meetings we can all attend in person. Rushing to open bids in 15 days at the end of your terms on the Board is highly questionable at the least. I would like my letter to r Be read in full and added to the minutes of this (open meeting) you are having.  
Thank you.  
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My name is Arthur Grnica and I live at 3902 Packard Ave. In Kingman. I wanted to speak on the following agenda items.

Call to the public 8

On item 7H, why do you not say that the bids are for 2600 Northern? Why are you trying to push bids through so fast? Why do you want to spend about 2 million dollars to fix a hay barn, and what aren't you telling the public. You are hiding this because you know it is wrong and you are going to bankrupt the fire department. I want to know if you are building this for Jake and the City so they can take over Butler.

On 7I Complaints

I sent my complaint to you on Jake and his firefighters. John Bryant told me not to tell him, I think he is trying to violate my civil rights. We went through this with Bailey and Collins when they told me to shut up. You are elected, you have to listen. I think Jake filed his false police report because he is a racist, just like Bailey, Collins, Berg and Bryant. I found my pictures of Berg after a board meeting, does he look professional in his AMR uniform?

Arthur Grnica

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My name is Suzette Eder and I live at 4197 Trail Ride Rd. in Kingman. I am a property owner, taxpayer and voter.

Item 8 Call to the Public

On item 7I about complaints, I was privy to Arthur Grnica's complaint and Jake's response. Jake blames past administrations for the problems here. I am personally offended, as I know how hard my husband Wayne Eder worked when he was Chief here. Wayne is a real Chief, he got out of bed at 2 in the morning for every fire when he was in town. He gave up his nights and Saturdays to train our firefighters. He made sure his firefighters and the public were safe. Bailey said once that Jake is all about training. What a joke. Does he even train people?

I drove by multiple fires and watched Kingman firefighters not wearing their gear. I witnessed hose testing at 2600 Northern where firefighters were not wearing helmets. I was even at the KAR fire in 2017 and saw many Kingman firefighters, including Chief's not wearing their gear.

My brother, a Captain for LAFD was here with his color guard recently for one of their firefighters that passed away. I was embarrassed for our community when a firefighter from NACFD could not help him clean a fire vehicle for a funeral. Even worse was when Chris Simpson from the KFD color guard was asked to help and told my Brother that he was at the funeral as "command staff". Everyone from Kingman has to be in charge, no matter what. All Jake does is throw money at problems and he does not fix anything. Stop wasting our money and go back to the City. Stop blaming everyone Jake, take responsibility for a change and stop being a narcissistic control freak.

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John P. Kennon

12375 N. Byers

HC 35 Box 42 (Truxton)

Peach Springs, Az 86434

I own and live on 6 parcels of land here in Truxton. I pay my property taxes. A lot of my neighbors do not pay their taxes. The Fire District is hurt by these taxes not being paid. I urge the board to take steps to encourage the Mohave County Supervisors to become more aggressive in collecting these unpaid taxes and fees.

Second I urge the board not to take any action or spend any additional funds on 2600 Northern facilities. Before budgeting and spending any monies on 2600 Northern a multi year plan for work on that property and the other Fire District properties be created and approved by the district.

Sincerely,

John P. Kennon

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Director Berg stated that 90% of all these complaints and accusations are from people from Valle Vista. We do not discriminate against Valle Vista; however, we spend more money out of our budget to keep Valle Vista going. He is absolutely shocked and appalled at some of these accusations, and everything that has been said is a complete and out and out lie. There is no reason for these other than trying to get somebody else back in office.

**PLEASE SEE APPENDIX "A" FOR PHOTOS SUBMITTED BY ARTHUR GARNICA**



9. **BOARD COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairman Bailey commented to all the residents in Valle Vista, if you would reach out to the Board or administration office – you can email us – (if you email the whole Board, we can't get into conversations where the whole Board is included or we could violate the Open Meeting Law). You can call or get our email addresses right off our website and ask us questions. A lot of the information they are being fed is not accurate, so I would hope you would reach out to find the truth.

Director Wilkin commended that she does not talk to people, they come to her and she listens. She has not steered anyone out here in any direction. They have their own minds made up already on some things and that is very unfortunate. There is more to that story that she can't talk about because it's a personnel issue.

Chairman Bailey replied that he didn't know if any board members were giving her any problems, but obviously you have your opinion and so does everybody else. He cautioned all the Board members to not respond to mass emails and not to respond to "all." Do not get caught up in Open Meeting Law violation.

Chairman Bailey reminded the Board they need a Special Meeting on 6/30/2020 for Executive Session for legal advice from our attorney. Chairman Bailey gave direction to the Chief to reach out, mainly to Mike and Erik because of their work schedules and to get ahold of everybody. It will be just before our meeting at 5pm. It will depend on how long our attorney will need to brief us.

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 7:22 p.m.

These minutes were prepared and posted by Rhonda Johnson on June 24, 2020.

  
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James Bailey, Board Chairman

  
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Mike Collins, Board Clerk



# APPENDIX "A"



















