## MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE NORTHERN ARIZONA FIRE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2022, 11:00 AM

The Governing Board of the Northern Arizona Fire District met this 12th day of January 2022, at 11:00 a.m. for a special meeting, at 2600 E Northern Avenue in Kingman, Arizona.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jim Bailey at 11:02 a.m.
- 2. ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS Board members present: Chairman Jim Bailey, Director John Bryant, Director Sue Wilkin, Director Sue Brown, Director Mike Collins was present via zoom.

## 3. REPORT FROM CHAIRMAN BAILEY AND DIRECTOR WILKIN RE STATUS OF POTENTIAL CANDIDATES FOR INTERIM FIRE CHIEF.

Chairman Bailey and Director Wilkin conducted Zoom meeting with each of three potential candidates provided through Western Fire Chiefs Association. Director Wilkin reported that they were all qualified candidates that fit the job. All three candidates are from out of state and would need to get familiar with state laws. Chairman Bailey reported the candidates were each aware that the position would be held for 4-6 months. All three have excellent background in the fire service and would be fit for the position for a short term. The Board has the ability to go into executive session pursuant to Agenda Item #4 for the entire Board to meet two of the three candidates as invited, based on availability, by Chairman Bailey and Director Wilkin.

4. POSSIBLE VOTE TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERSONNEL MATTERS.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3), the NAFD Board may vote to go into executive session for the purpose of discussion or consideration of employment, assignment, appointment, salaries, related to consideration of selection of Interim Fire Chief including possible interview of candidate(s) in person or electronically.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3), the Board may vote to go into executive session for discussion or consultation for legal advice with the attorney for the District regarding possible conditional offer of appointment.

Chairman Bailey made motion to go into consecutive executive sessions pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) for personnel matters and A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) for legal advice as set forth on the agenda. During the executive session for personnel matters, the Board may invite one or more candidates to attend by Zoom. Seconded by Director Wilkin. No additional discussion. Motion passed unanimously. Executive session started at 11:25 am.

The Board returned from Executive Session at approximately 12:43 p.m.

Chairman Bailey admonished the board that executive sessions are confidential pursuant to ARS § 38-431.03(C).

5. REVIEW, DISCUSSION, POSSIBLE ACTION SELECTION OF INTERIM FIRE CHIEF AND POSSIBLE CONDITIONAL OFFER OF PLACEMENT AS INTERIM FIRE CHIEF.

Director Collins made motion to direct the attorney to proceed as directed during executive session. Seconded by Chairman Bailey. No action can be taken regarding the Interim Fire Chief position until it is presented to the Board for consideration and vote at an open meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board scheduled a special meeting for January 18<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm for purposes of continued discussion and possible action regarding the Interim Fire Chief position.

**6. ADJOURNMENT** – Chairman Bailey moved to adjourn the meeting and Director Wilkin seconded the motion. Passed by unanimous decision. The meeting was adjourned at 12:46 pm.

These minutes were prepared and posted by Paris Schuman on January 18, 2022.

James Bailey, Board Chairman

Mike Collins, Board Clerk