

MEETING MINUTES OF THE VERNON FIRE DISTRICT BOARD
12/16/2025 AT 5:30 PM AT THE VERNON LIBRARY

REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF VERNON FIRE DISTRICT, 25 ACR 3142, VERNON, AZ 85940. PHONE: (928) 537-4895.

1. **CALL TO ORDER REGULAR BOARD MEETING**, meeting was called to order at 5:32 pm.
2. **ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS**, present were John Vehar, Grey Murphy, Gregg McClendon, via phone Randy Mifflin.
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLIEGENCE AND PRAYER**, The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and Randy Mifflin said prayer over the meeting.
4. **RECOGNITION OF GUESTS**, Wendy Sharp, BC Kevin Vickers and Paula Johnson
5. **CALL TO THE PUBLIC**, John Vehar gave the call to the public, Paula Johnson gave a reminder of Christmas at the Park at 5pm on Saturday December 20th and thanked Vernon Fire for bringing Santa and Miss Claus to the park for the event.
6. **REPORTS & CORRESPONDENCE**
 - A. Chair Summary – Board Chair John Vehar had nothing to report
 - B. Financial Report and Discussion – Jacob York with JVG gave the monthly financial report for November. Key points made: Revenue for the month of November is \$245,937, which is over budget by \$99,575. Tax revenue for November is \$176,893, which is over budget by \$32,939. Non-Tax revenue for November is \$69,044, which is over budget by \$66,636. Wildland revenue for November is \$61,115. Expenses for November are \$199,960, which is over budget by \$8,338. Buildings and land are over budget \$4,254, driven by timing of facility repairs and maintenance. Vehicles and equipment are over budget \$4,105, driven by insurance related vehicle repairs and maintenance. Communication/IT is under budget, driven by timing of computer software. YTD total revenue is \$691,231, which is over budget by \$190,496. YTD expense is \$768,943, which is over budget by \$109,070. Cash is \$795,973 as of November 30, 2025.
 - C. Chief's Report and discussion – BC Kevin Vickers gave Chief report due to the Fire Chief being out of district for training. Total calls from November 15- December 11, 2025, were 40 calls. Training hours for A shift was 82 hours, B shift was 124 hours, and C shift was 117 hours. No significant calls to report on. Miscellaneous items, White BC pickup truck was sold for \$4,500 and as of January 1, 2026, burn permits will cost \$10 per year.
 - D. The Board has reviewed the Financial Report for the month of November 2025
7. The Board has reviewed and approved the meeting minutes for 11/18/2025
 - E. Motion that the Board has approved the consent agenda. Grey Murphy motioned to approve the consent agenda, and Gregg McClendon seconded the motion. Grey Murphy called for a vote, and the Consent Agenda was approved unanimously.
 - F. **Discussion and possible action: Grants**, no updates still waiting on Del E Webb. January 1st is when grants reopen at that time we will be putting in for numerous grants for new turnouts, station renovations, vehicles such as new Type 1, 3 and type 6, tools and equipment, also anything else needed.
 - G. **Discussion and possible action: Vehicles**, BC Vickers updates: E252 still out of service, Type 3 broke down again and is currently in the shop getting high pressure pump replaced for the 3rd time, need to do cost analysis to see if truck is worth keeping in service or if needs to be sold. Will be bringing quotes to the Board next month for pump repairs on the two older Tender trucks. Other trucks in fleet are doing well.
 - H. **Discussion and possible action: Dispatch updates**, new dispatch with Show Low PD will be up and running first week of January 2026. Crews have been training with Show Low PD dispatch to learn new system.
 - I. **Discussion and possible action: DCI updates**, the collection company, has only been able to collect on one person out of 130 claims sent, collecting \$40.17 per month for past three months. Will be looking for new company for collections.
 - J. **Discussion and possible action: Burn permit administration fee cost**, as of January 1, 2026, burn permits will cost \$10 per year, which will need to be renewed every year.
 - K. **Discussion and possible action: Fuel Mitigation program**, BC Kevin Vickers explained that we are starting a self-pay fuels project program. We got our first project done. Worked 5 personnel for 3 days. We have about 40 other properties that are interested. Property owners are required to pay 50% of project cost up front with remainder to be paid at completion. A motion to approve Fuel Mitigation program and pricing sheet was made by Gregg McClendon, seconded by Grey Murphy with all in favor.
8. **Discussion and possible action: Discussion and possible action: FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**: Grants, vehicles, Dispatch, end of year Wildland update.
9. **ADJOURNMENT**, Motion to adjourn made by Randy Mifflin seconded by Grey Murphy, John Vehar called for adjournment of the Vernon Fire District Board meeting at 6:06pm