



Water Wheel Fire & Medical District

Fire Board Regular Meeting

October 23, 2025

Station 71 – 10603 N Houston Mesa Rd – Payson – Training Room

~Minutes~

1. Call To Order

Pursuant to notice, a regular meeting of the Water Wheel Fire & Medical District (WWFMD) was called to order by Chairman Steve Stevens at **6:01- PM** on **Thursday October 23, 2025** at the Water Wheel Fire & Medical District Station 71, 10603 N Houston Mesa Rd, Payson, Arizona. Admin/Firefighter Crystal Cameron recorded the minutes. A quorum was present, and the meeting, having been duly convened, was ready to proceed with business.

A. Salute To The Flag Of The United States

Pledge of Allegiance, Led by All in Attendance

B. Roll Call

Board Present: Chairman Steve Stevens, Clerk Geoffrey Caldwell, Member Janel Croy, and Member Frank Church

Board Absent: Member Mark Essary

Staff Present: Fire Chief C. Lecher, FF Sekandari, FF Farrer, FF Cameron

Public Present: Jerry Croy, Sheri Church, and Mindy Russell

Zoom: Tom Cheatham, Angie Lecher, Stephanie Johnston

2. Reports & Correspondence

A. Financial Report

- i. Given By: Ben Archer-Clowes (James Vincent Group)

Motion: Member Janel Croy

Motion Seconded: Member Frank Church

Motion Carried: 4/o

B. Reconciliation Report

- i. Given By: Ben Archer-Clowes (James Vincent Group)

Motion: Clerk Geoffrey Caldwell

Motion Seconded: Member Janel Croy

Motion Carried: 4/o

3. Reports & Correspondence

A. Chiefs Report

Fire Chief C. Lecher discussed the following topics:

- i. Moment of Silence**
 - 1.** On the morning of October 3rd, 2025, Timber Mesa Fire and Medical lost another one of their own. While on his way to work Firefighter Glenn Collins was involved in a fatal head on collision on his motorcycle.
- ii. Water Wheel Fire & Medical Responses**
 - 1.** Total Calls for service – 7
 - 2.** EMS - 5
 - 3.** Special Duty – 2
 - a. Lift Assist
 - 4.** Still Alarm – 0
 - 5.** First Alarm – 0
 - 6.** 2025 YTD – 141
- iii. General Update**
 - 1.** Kitchen and ADA Bathroom remodel is still ongoing.
 - a. Dry Wall Screw Inspection was passed on October 15, 2025
 - b. Tape N Texture is to begin on Monday
 - 2.** ISO was performed a reevaluation of the district on May 20th. Nothing new to report.
 - 3.** The Tohono O’odham Grant for Solar on Station 71 has been submitted. We did not receive the grant
- iv. Equipment Update**
 - 1.** Brush 713, Engine 71, Engine 72, and Chief 7 have all been upfitted with new LED Lights and graphics.
 - a. Courtesy of Southwest Emergency and Freedom Outfitting.
 - 2.** Battalion 7 has been dropped off at Waltz for upfitting.
 - 3.** Grant Application to Fire House Subs has been submitted. We did not receive the grant.
- v. Staff Update**
 - 1.** New Hire:
 - a. Jason Gilmore
 - i. Paramedic 15 Years
 - ii. Fire/EMS 18 Years
 - 2.** Birthdays:
 - a. Firefighter Slade Conway
 - b. Firefighter Andrew Farrer
 - 3.** Years of Service Celebration:
 - a. Captain Hamilton 10 Years
 - 4.** Tom Martinez has decided to retire after 8 Years of Dedication to the service.

B. Awards & Recognition

- i.** Given By: Chief C. Lecher in his Chiefs Report

4. Public Forum

i. Mindy Russell

1. Reporting on the Spark Auxiliary Functions

a. Spaghetti Dinner September 27, 2025

i. 120 people served

ii. Made \$1,515 before expenses

iii. After Expenses \$1,025

b. Pancake Breakfast October 11, 2025

i. 122 people served

ii. Made \$1,114 Before Expenses

iii. After Expenses \$789

c. Opening the Auxiliary to all Men & Women. No longer just a Women's Auxiliary. Everyone is welcome to join.

5. Regular Business

A. Consent Agenda

i. Minutes for September 25, 2025

- 1.** Approved with the amendment to fix Ben Archer-Clowe to Ben Archer-Clowes.

Motion: Member Janel Croy

Motion Seconded: Member Frank Church

Motion Carried: 4/0

6. Public Forum

A. Reminder from Chief Lecher that the next Board meeting has been moved from November 27th to November 20th due to it being on Thanksgiving and he will be calling into the meeting via Zoom.

7. Adjournment

Motion: Member Janel Croy

Motion Seconded: Clerk Geoffrey Caldwell

Motion Carried: 4/0

This Meeting Adjourned at: **6:30 pm**

Respectfully Submitted, Crystal Cameron, Admin/Firefighter