

LAKE MOHAVE RANCHOS

FIRE DISTRICT

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MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE LAKE MOHAVE RANCHOS FIRE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD

The Governing Board of the Lake Mohave Ranchos Fire District met in Special Session on 6/13/2019 at 4:00 p.m. The Meeting was held at **The Dolan Springs Chamber of Commerce** located at **16154 Pierce Ferry Rd, Dolan Springs, AZ.** The Board may vote to go into Executive Session on any Agenda item, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) for legal advice with the District's Attorney on matters as set forth in the Agenda item. The following topics and any variables thereto, will be subject to Board consideration, discussion, approval, or other action. All items are set for possible action.

MINUTES

1) CALL TO ORDER.

Director Cass called the Special Meeting to order at approximately 4:10 P.M.

2) ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS.

• Board Members Larry Tennant, Deb Cass, Ellen Reh-Bower were present. Board Member Charlotte Kiffer attended via phone. Board Member Joe Campbell was not present.

3) PLEDGE OF ALLIEGANCE.

Recited.

4) BUSINESS.

- ➤ Director Cass addressed the Board, stating that when she does a roll call for votes, she will do it by name so it's clear on recording for Karen.
- a. Discussion and possible action regarding: Accrual review, information and Pay-Out for former Chief Tony DeMaio. (Cass)
- Director Cass read aloud an email that was received from Mr. DeMaio regarding his PTO. She informed the Board that she spoke with Mr. Whittington, with Ms. Jackson present to witness, regarding the PTO and that Legal Counsel stated the Board should authorize the Pay-Out of the accrual recalculation that Mr. Buldra provided and any differences can be addressed/discussed at the Regular Meeting. Discussion ensued regarding the interpretation of accrual by Mr. DeMaio and the Board. Director Cass motioned to approve the Pay-Out of the \$568.86, with no letter to be sent that LMRFD is checking into this, saying "It's up to Tony to provide us the information to prove his point on his hours", and Director Kiffer 2nd. Directors Cass, Reh-Bower and Kiffer voted, "Aye." Director Tennant voted, "Nay." Motion carried, 3-1.
 - b. Discussion and possible action regarding: Approval to provide the Interim Fire Chief authorization to purchase a Command Vehicle for LMRFD; amount limitation for expenditure set by the Board. (Cass)

- Discussion ensued regarding a Command Vehicle with Chief Bonnee explaining he located a few back East but Director Tennant's concern was rust issues, State of AZ had very high mileage vehicles, along with Mohave County Vehicles. Chief Bonnee advised he located a 4x4 Dodge 1500, 4-door, Pick-Up Truck out of TX that Trinidad Fire Department has for sale. He advised it has 56,000 miles on it, gets approximately 26 MPG, is gas, with light package, brand new graphics, which include the chevrons on the back. He stated he spoke to the Chief for Trinidad Fire Department and current list price was \$15,900.00, and they'd sell it to LMRFD for \$11,500.00. He explained shipping the vehicle from TX would be approximately \$1500.00-\$2000.00. Alternatively, a plane ticket costs approximately \$112.00 to Houston, TX, plus fuel, meals and lodging with the Aitkens (Scott/Phyllis) transporting it back. Discussion ensued regarding location/purpose of Vehicle, with two Members stating its use is for in District to respond on calls and go to Meetings and Chief Bonnee advised he's responded to 3 calls after hours currently, as he's 24/7 response. Director's Kiffer and Reh-Bower noted that further discussion regarding responding/Vehicle would take place when they addressed his Contract. Director Kiffer motioned to purchase the Vehicle at the price the Chief told us and until we decide otherwise it stays in District. Director Cass 2nd. Directors Kiffer, Cass, Tennant and Reh-Bower voted, "Aye." Motion carried, unanimously.
- 5) CALL TO THE PUBLIC & CORRESPONDENCE. (Consideration and discussion of comments and complaints from the public. Those wishing to address the Lake Mohave Ranchos Fire District Board need not request permission in advance. The Fire District Board is not permitted to discuss or take action on any item(s) that are not on the Agenda that are raised in the call to the public. However, individual Board Members may be permitted to respond to criticism directed to them. Otherwise, the Board may direct that staff review the matter or that the matter be placed on a future agenda. The Fire District Board cannot discuss or take legal action on any issue raised during the Call to the Public due to restriction of the Opening Meeting Law.)
 - Phyllis Aitken; Command Vehicle addressed concerns related to responding on calls and legality issues.

6) CONSIDERATION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.

- Specified tabled items will move to following month's Regular Meeting, unless noted otherwise and/or pending more information.
 - o Water presentation; Meadview (Susanne Anderson-Rigsby)
 - Subscribe button (update).
 - o Advertising information; Personnel (Suppression)/Chief (update).

7) NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING DATE & LOCATION.

o June 24, 2019 in Meadview, AZ.

8) ADJOURNMENT.

- Director Cass motioned to adjourn the Special Meeting, Director Reh-Bower 2nd. Directors Cass, Reh-Bower, Kiffer and Tennant voted, "Aye." Motion carried, unanimously.
- Director Cass adjourned the Special Meeting at approximately 4:45 p.m.

MINUTES prepared by: Karen Jackson

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