

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting called to order by Mr. Ward @ 5:00 pm, Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call – Chair Christy, Mr. Ward, Mr. Evans, and Ms. Watson are present. Ms. Summitt is absent. There is a quorum.

Agenda approval – Mr. Ward made motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Evans seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Call to the Public – None

Minutes – Mr. Evans made motion to approve Board Meeting Minutes from August 17th; Mr. Ward seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Monthly Bills & Financials – Mr. Ward made motion to approve the August 2022 Bills and Financials. Ms. Watson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC MEETING

- A. Demers Type II Ambulance:** Chief Martin directed the Board to Demers Type 2 Ambulance quote in the Board Packets. Martin explained the purchased would be used specifically for inter-facility transfers and “reserve” ambulance. The initial purchase would come out of Capital; The interfacility transfers going forward will go towards “paying it off”. (approx. 12 – 18 months) The cost of the ambulance is \$188,968.00. Mr. Ward made motion approving the purchase of the Type 2 Ambulance. Ms. Watson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

BC McShea: BC McShea reported 166 calls in the last 30 days; 122 medical and 93 transports. Our response time average for the last 30 days was 3 minutes.

Fire Marshal Gibson: Gibson informed the Board that the Tribe currently has 2 building projects go on; One is the Spirit Mountain update and remodel and the other is additional classrooms at the school.

Fire Chief Martin: Chief Martin provided a letter addressed to Fort Mojave Mesa Fire Board to our MVFD Fire Board to review and sign; Martin briefed the Board regarding the issues that were being addressed in the letter. Chief Martin reassured the Board that the letter would not impact the operations level; our community will remain our priority. Chief Martin met with the FMIT regarding the tribal contract; The relationship is strong, and he expects FMFD involvement to increase. MEC and Unisource were assisting our community during the power outage that occurred on September 5th, 2022. Our Fire Station opened as a Cooling Center. The remaining water and Ice were donated to Rehab and the Fire Department. We have acquired a REHAB Unit with 11,000 miles on it from Lake Havasu City Fire Department. Our Wildland Personal are all back from Deployment; there are no other current wildland assignments scheduled. We were notified that Ford Motor Company cancelled the chassis on the 2022 Type 3 brush truck that we purchased in Oct. 2021; instead of reordering the Ford chassis, we are going to go with the Dodge/Cummins chassis with no cost difference. The new Division Chief, John Clark will be starting his position on Monday, October 3rd. Our Auditors were here performing the 2020.2021 Audit last week, and their report will be provided to the Board as soon as we receive it. We do not anticipate any significant findings/changes. Chief Martin made the Board aware that a SAFER Grant was received by Lake Havasu City FD allowing funds to hire staffing. Bullhead City FD also has also applied for the Grant. If MVFD loses personnel due to this, we will apply for a significant amount with the ability to show the need. The Class A uniforms and personalized badges for the employees that have made it to the 5 or 10 year mark have been ordered and distributed. Chief Martin thanked the Board for approving them. Chief Martin administered the Oath of Office to Firefighter Robert Foster.

Mr. Ward made motion to adjourn, and Ms. Summitt seconded at 6:04 pm. Motion carried.
Minutes respectfully submitted by Johanna Sanders, Financial Specialist.