

Start Time: 5:00 PM

End time: 5:15 PM

Mohave Valley Fire Department

August 23, 2023

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting called to order by Ms. Christy at 5:00 PM, Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Agenda approval-Mr. Ward made a motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Summitt seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Call to the Public-none

Minutes-Mr. Ward motion to approve the July 19, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes. Ms. Summitt seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Monthly Bills & Financials-Mr. Ward made motion to approve the July 2023 Bills and Financials. Ms. Summitt seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

BOARD BUSINESS

- A. JPA Study:** Chief Martin reported that Mohave County Fire Officers met. After the failure of Prop. 310 they decided to look at other opportunities to streamline their financial situation. There are eight Fire Departments that are interested in looking into a JPA. These are Bullhead City, Mohave Valley, Golden Shores, Northern AZ, Desert Hills, Buckskin and Parker. Fort Mohave Mesa is currently not interested due to animosity towards Bullhead City. If the climate does change at FMMFD, they as well as any other department will be able to join later. Mr. Ward made a motion to approve the JPA study not to exceed \$5000.00. Ms. Summitt seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- B. Water Tender FEMA Grant Acceptance:** MVFD received a FEMA Water Tender Grant in the amount of \$400,000.00. Mr. Ward made a motion to accept the FEMA Water Tender Grant. Ms. Summitt seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Battalion Chief McShea reported we have approximately 200 calls every 30 days. We had 11 IFT transports, turn down 68. We plan to pick up more. Our goal is to have 1 IFT per day.

MVFD received a grant from the 100 CLUB for cancer barrier. These funds will be used to purchase Nomex hoods and gloves.

Fire Marshal Gibson reported he received plans for tenant improvements on the Freeman Building. Per FM Gibson recommendation they will be installing a tank and a pump. This has been needed since the original building was built. Project has been approved and is moving forward.

Chief Martin: reported on Hurricane Hillary. Mohave Valley had a little wind damage and rain. We supplied the community with sandbags. We were also able to supply bags to Bullhead City and Lake Havasu City. Thanks to Rio Aggregate donation of sand, we were able to fill more bags throughout the weekend. Appreciate everyone's cooperation. In preparation for the weekend, we increased our staff and had our high-profile vehicles ready for rescue and storm related incidents. Our crew members did a great job.

Wildland: All MVFD assets and personnel are back, except one crewmember that is working on his engine boss with another entity.

Harlan Lasiter one of our REHAB Volunteer passed away in July. He was a great asset, and he will be missed. We would like to have his name on the REHAB Unit in his memory.

Chief Martin and Chief Clark attended The Fire Rescue International Conference last week. They attended leadership classes that were very beneficial.

Fort Move Mesa Fire Department did let go of Fire Chief Chris Pardi. FMMFD made this decision on him wanting to pursue the JPA and emotional politics.

Mr. Ward made a motion to adjourn, and Ms. Summitt seconded at 5:15PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Michelle Schaubeck, Administrative Secretary.