

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting called to order by Chair Christy @ 5:00 pm, Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

Call to the Public – None

Minutes – Ms. Summitt made a motion to approve Board Meeting Minutes from February 21st; Mr. Ward seconded. Mr. Evans abstained. Motion passed unanimously.

Monthly Bills & Financials – Mr. Evans made motion to approve the February 2024 Bills and Financials. Mr. Ward seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC MEETING

- A. Walker And Armstrong Presentation:** Jay Parke with Walker and Armstrong was present and delivered a presentation of the Mohave Valley Fire Department 23.24 Audit explaining in detail the Financial Statements. He stated that there were no difficulties in performing and completing the audit and reported an Unmodified “clean” opinion. Key Financial Performance measures showed an increase in cash of 14.9% representing 54% of total expenses. MVFD Total pension liability increased 255% and our net position increased by \$346,932.00. MVFD had one repeated finding regarding incompatible duties on (2) of the Districts Checking accounts. Fire Chief Martin addressed/explained that the finding was not anything the Department plans on changing. The checking accounts involved do not utilize taxpayer dollars. Chief Martin oversees all activity in these accounts to ensure there is no fraudulent activity. Ms. Summitt made a motion to approve the 23.24 Audit. Mr. Ward seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Fire Chief Martin: Chief Martin provided feedback to Jay Parke regarding the difficulties we experienced with the Firm performing the audit remotely. Martin requested the audit to be done “on site” next year. Martin thanked Jay and his team for their work on the audit and stated that we looked forward to working with them next year.

Martin asked the Board to review the back page of their packets where there was a printout showing the individual debt services for 8 of the neighboring Fire Departments/Districts; Martin pointed out the Mohave Valley was the only one debt free and we also continue to have the lowest tax rate.

Martin reported that the crews recently had a structure fire that turned out to be a garage fire that spread. It appears to have been accidental. The Crews did a great job.

Martin also reminded the Fireboard of the upcoming MVFD Easter Egg Hunt on 03.23 at Willow Golf Course.

Mr. Ward made a motion to adjourn, and Ms. Summitt seconded at 5:35 pm. Motion carried.
Minutes respectfully submitted by Johanna Sanders, Financial Specialist.