**Start Time:** 4:59 PM **End time:** 5:12 PM

**Mohave Valley Fire Department**

**March 19, 2025**

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

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

**Roll call**- Chair Watson, Mr. Ward, Ms. Summitt and Ms. Dailey are present. Mr. Evans is 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. Evans Ward a motion to approve February 2025 Board Meeting Minutes. Ms. Dailey seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**Monthly Bills & Financials**-Mr. Ward made a motion to approve the February 2025 Bills and Financials. Ms. Summitt seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**BOARD BUSINESS**

**ADMINSTRATIVE REPORTS**

**Fire Chief Martin:** Chief Martin talked briefly about Donny Gibson’s Retirement after a 43-year career. He expressed his appreciation to everyone who attended the party, including former chiefs and early career colleagues.

Chief Martin briefed the Fireboard on the Fire Incident in Oatman. He explained the challenges faced because the buildings in Oatman are not conducive to quick fire extinguishment. The local water system is inadequate for firefighting, necessitating the transport of water from 8 to 10 miles. In response, the crew established shuttles from both the east and west to supply sufficient water for firefighting efforts. Our Crews firefighting operations prevented the potential explosion, avoiding significant damage. The second incident Chief Martin spoke about was a tractor and a person who fell into a mine shaft in Oatman, sustaining significant injuries. The injured individual was rescued and flown to Las Vegas. The individual survived but lost an arm due to the injuries sustained during the incident. Martin commended the personnel for effectively handling the rescue operation.

The new ambulance has been inspected and is expected to arrive in Phoenix on March 24th. The ambulance will be assigned to Station 82, the busiest station in the district.

Slater Tippets and Carrie Hardin took the Oath of Office and were sworn in.

Mr. Ward made a motion to adjourn, and Ms. Summitt seconded at 5:12PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Johanna Larson, Financial Specialist.