

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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

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

Agenda approval – Ms. Summitt made a motion to move Admin Reports before Executive Session. Mr. Evans seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Call to the Public – None

Minutes – Ms. Summitt made a motion to approve the February 18th, 2026, Board Meeting Minutes. Ms. Watson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Monthly Bills & Financials – Mr. Evans made motion to approve the February 2026 Bills and Financials. Ms. Summitt seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

BOARD BUSINESS:

- A. **2025.2026 Audit Presentation:** Curtis Bright, CPA (Walker & Armstrong) presented the 2025.2026 Audit to the Fireboard. The Districts total net position increased by \$2,077,015 (41.5%) from the previous year. Total revenues increased over the previous fiscal year by \$1,774,487 (28.7%) due to an increase in charges for services of \$120,828, an increase in property taxes of \$146,493, and an increase in intergovernmental revenues of \$1,510,835. At the end of the current fiscal year, unrestricted net position for the Governmental Activities was \$1,316,013. Effective for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, the District implemented the provisions of GASB Statement No. 101 “Compensated Absences” This Risk Disclosure did not have a material impact on the Districts financial statements or related note disclosures. The Auditors identified one “repeat finding” regarding the Administrative Office personnel both being authorized signers on multiple bank accounts. The corrective action for the finding is to ensure that only one Administrative Office Personnel is allowed to sign checks. The other signature on the checks needs to be signed by someone other than Administrative Personnel.
- B. **Trash Bids:** Ms. Sanders reported on the solicitation and receipt of two bids for trash services. (Hargus Disposal and Republic Services) Both bids were scored based on several criteria: cost, staff qualifications, years in business, experience with special events, references, and past experiences. Hargus disposal scored higher, with a slightly lower cost compared to Republic Services. With Discussion regarding potential conflict (Board Member Evans has ties to Hargus’ Disposal) it was stated the Mr. Evans will have to abstain from voting involving Hargus, and Mr. Evans will have to provide a written statement noting abstention. Ms. Sanders asked the Board to motion to accepted Hargus Disposals bid. Roll Call Vote to accept the Hargus Disposal Bid: Ms. Summitt voted Yes. Ms. Watson voted Yes. Mr. Ward voted Yes. Mr. Evans abstained. Ms. Summitt made a motion, and Mr. Ward seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 3-0 vote with Mr. Evans abstaining.
- C. **1528/1530 Equipment Disposals:** Board reviewed the proposed disposal of two old Ford “Well Worn” Administrative pickup trucks. If possible, the vehicles will be sold, otherwise, salvaged for parts. Ms. Watson made motion to approve disposal of 1528 and 1530. Ms. Summitt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

BC McShea: Last month we had 175 calls with 102 being EMS. (34 non-transport, 68 transports) The grading is completed at Sation 82; Next step is to gather fence repair/replacement bids for the property. MVFD finished another training academy and will hopefully be able to recruit some of the qualified candidates.

Fire Chief Martin: Chief Martin acknowledged the passing of Fort Mojave Mesa mechanic, Rob Hussey, who had strong relationships within the Station and district. Lake Havasu City, Baker Ambulance, and Bullhead City provided coverage so all district personnel could attend services. The funeral processing video is available online. We received approval from Spartan to go ahead with the Water Tender 818 corrosion repairs in California; we are waiting for a “repair slot” to avoid long downtime. The new Water Tender sustained storm damage in New Mexico in route to MVFD. It has been returned to Alexis for repairs, and we expect a quick turnaround. Chief Martin will continue to disseminate weekly legislative information that affects the fire districts.

D. Executive Session: ARS 383-431 A(6)

- Mr. Evans made a motion to suspend the meeting and go into Executive Session to discuss contracts. Ms. Summitt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The Fireboard entered Executive Session at 5:24 pm.
- The Fireboard ended Executive Session and Reconvened at 6:31 pm.

E. Contracts: At this time, no action was taken.

Ms. Larson briefly went through the Preliminary Budget Timeline, informing the Fireboard of upcoming Budget Workshops that they are welcomed to attend.

Mr. Evans made a motion to adjourn, and Ms. Watson seconded at 6:33 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Johanna Larson, Financial Specialist.