

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting called to order by Mr. Ward at 5:19 pm, Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

Call to the Public – None

Minutes – Ms. Dailey made a motion to approve the May 20th, 2026, Board Meeting Minutes. Mr. Ward seconded. Mr. Evans abstained. Motion passed unanimously.

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

BOARD BUSINESS:

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

- Ms. Dailey made a motion to suspend the meeting and go to an Executive Session to discuss contracts. Mr. Evans seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The Fireboard entered Executive Session at 5:22 pm.
- Fireboard Meeting reconvened at 5:29 pm.

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

Ms. Larson provided Budget Highlights to the Fireboard.

- The Budget increased approx. 47% mainly due to increased grant funding and year end reserves totaling \$14,914,943. The “Key driver” to the increase was Grant Funding budget increasing from 420k in 2025.2026 to 3.8 million in the 2026.2027 Budget. Any grants awarded will offset related expenditures, making the impact net neutral.
- Two versions of the budget were presented.
 - ✓ Total Budget \$14,914,943 (Include Grant Funding, Reserve/Starting Balance
 - ✓ Operating Budget \$7,614,943
- Property tax revenue increased \$155,000 due to increased assessed value. FDATs funding is up by \$71,000. And Ambulance Revenue increased slightly from \$715,000 to \$740,000.
- Our Contingency/Reserves budget increased from \$2.5 million to \$3.5 million, improving our Financial Position by maintaining 6 months operating.
- Salaries increased from \$2.65 million to \$2.79 million; Overtime increased from \$500,000 to \$635,000.00 due to staffing/operational needs and Pension contribution increased alongside the wage increase. Health Benefits increased from \$674,000 to \$810,000. Training increased to allow for paramedic training. The building maintenance line increased modestly. Capital Assignments was reduced from \$646,000 to \$465,000.

C. Public Hearing Regarding 2026.2027 Budget: Opened at 5:36 pm 2026.2027 Proposed Budget. No Public Comments.

D. Public Hearing: Closed at 5:37 pm

- E. Fiscal Year 226-2027 Budget Adoption:** Ms. Dailey made a motion to approve and adopted the proposed 2026.2027 Budget. Mr. Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried.
The Budget will be Posted on the MVFD Website, Station 81 Bulletin Board, Mohave Valley Post Office Bulletin Board, and Willow Valley Club House Bulletin Board.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Fire Chief Martin: Chief Martin informed the Fireboard that we responded to 3 fatal car accidents in the past month. He also stated that the Water Tender was sent to EVG to paintwork, with a return date pending. Battalion Chief McShea was nominated and is set to receive the Arizona Fire Chiefs "Future Leaders" award at the upcoming July conference.

Our regular scheduled monthly meeting for July will be scheduled for July 29th instead of July 22nd due to conference conflicts.

Employee raises and their execution are to be discussed at the July meeting.

Ms. Dailey made a motion to adjourn, and Mr. Evans seconded at 5:41 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Johanna Larson, Financial Specialist.