

**Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Verde Valley Fire District
Held May 10, 2017**

A Special meeting of the Verde Valley Fire District Board of Directors was held on May 10, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. at the Verde Valley Fire District Station #31, 2700 E. Godard Road, Cottonwood, Arizona.

Board of Directors:

Don Eberle, Chairman
Ken Bishop, Board Clerk
Linda Quam
Robert Eddingfield
Thomas Rhodes

Staff Present:

Nazih Hazime, Fire Chief
Lisa Elliott, Administrative Manager

Others Present:

Daniel Elliott

CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Chairman Eberle.

ROLL CALL – All members were present. A quorum was present.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC – None.

Chairman Eberle addressed the Board and Chief Hazime stating that on Monday Chief Hazime presented him with his letter of resignation. This was not acceptable and was not the outcome that the Board anticipated. They did not want him to resign and he expressed concern. He stated that during the meeting last week that there was never any suggestion or statement made by the Board to resign or terminate employment. At the conclusion, it was clear that every Board Member offered support and their willingness to work with Chief to address concerns and that the Chief also wanted to work to resolve concerns. He asked Chief Hazime, that with that in mind, would he be willing to rescind his resignation and work with the Board? Chief Hazime replied "Not at this time." Chairman Eberle then asked Chief Hazime that if the Board does not accept his resignation, is it still his intention to resign? Chief Hazime replied that it depends, that it is premature to make that decision.

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE MOTION REGARDING THE FIRE CHIEF'S
PERFORMANCE EVALUATION.**

At 1:32 p.m. Board Member Quam made a motion to move into Executive Session. Board Clerk Bishop seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

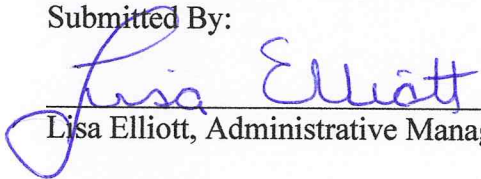
At 2:03 p.m. the Board left the Executive Session and resumed the open meeting.

Chairman Eberle stated that they are pleased to announce that Chief Hazime has rescinded his letter of resignation and that the Board agreed to work closely with him on any concerns and that Chief will do the same with the Board.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – A listing of items to be placed on a future agenda. No items were listed.

ADJOURNMENT. With no further business before the Board, Board Clerk Bishop made a motion to adjourn the special meeting. Board Member Quam seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 2:04 p.m.

Submitted By:



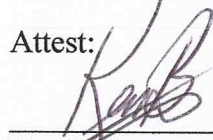
Lisa Elliott, Administrative Manager

Approved:



Don Eberle, Chairman

Attest:



Ken Bishop, Board Clerk