

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF VERDE VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS, HELD MAY 28, 2013, AT FIRE STATION 31, 2700 GODARD ROAD, COTTONWOOD, AZ.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 10:06 AM

PRESENT:

Thomas Rhodes
Ken Bishop
Matt Robertson
Bob Eddingfield (absent)
Henry Martin

STAFF:

Chief Nazih Hazime
Debbie Spingola
AC Doerksen

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: **Motion** was made by Thomas Rhodes to approve the agenda as presented. Second was made by Henry Martin. **Motion** carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: **Motion** was made by Matt Robertson to waive the reading of and to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 23, 2013. Second was made by Henry Martin. **Motion** carried unanimously.

SCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCES:

6A. Pinning of Newly Promoted Engineer Cody Harkey- Chief Hazime presented Verde Valley Fire District newly promoted Engineer Cody Harkey and gave a brief background on Engineer Harkey. Kayla Harkey, his wife, did the badge pinning.

6B. Kids Against Hunger Presentation by Beth Cady, Event Coordinator- Beth wanted to express her appreciation to the crews who have helped package meals and helped move food/supplies when needed. Ken Bishop expressed his appreciation for the crews being so eager to help. He stated that it makes him proud he is a Board Member of Verde Valley Fire District.

UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCES: NONE

CALL TO PUBLIC: NONE

REPORTS/ CURRENT EVENTS:

Chief Hazime was involved in several presentations throughout the month:

- Fire Safety/Wildland Presentations at KOLT Country Radio out of Flagstaff. These will be ongoing.
- Key Note Speaker for the Fire Academy Graduation.
- Verde Valley Land Preservation ribbon cutting event, in collaboration with several different local organizations.

Chief Hazime also met with three Amante Home Owners Association Board Members who are in favor of a new station and supplied them with some talking points. The Association will be sharing the information with the residents.

Chief Hazime was recently asked to submit a letter of reference supporting a Wildland Grant for the Verde River Greenway and the Verde Watershed Restoration Coalition.

The Vice President of the United States visited the Verde Valley recently and used Station 32 as a communications center. VVFD received an appreciation certificate from the White House.

A Fire Ban is in effect, and will be extended until monsoon rain comes.

The NACOG Program Summer Youth Program, will be sending a young person to us to work for the summer. Chief Hazime reviewed recent incidents, (4) Fires and (2) Accidents.

A group of firefighters from the Verde Valley Fire District traveled to Phoenix to attend the Phoenix Fire Fighter, Bradley Harper, Funeral, May 24th.

Chief Hazime met with Bonnie Shimco, Long Term Health Care Services, who was instrumental in helping one of our District Residents receive the care she needed. Mrs. Shimco also gave a presentation at the Fire Chief's Association Meeting. She will be a good resource to use.

AC Doerksen gave a legislative update from John Flynn. AC Doerksen sent an email with this information to the Board Members.

VVFD is still waiting for (1) Wildland Fire to be reimbursed back to the District.

VVFD has submitted for two grants: A Car Seat Grant and a grant for the Stryker Stretcher Side Rail Modification.

Public Safety Day, held at Wal-Mart on May 11th was a success. Fire Marshall Flummer was instrumental in putting this event together.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

A. Review of Legislation, Issues and Other Organizations or Agencies that may impact Verde Valley Fire District- *information was given during the Chief's Reports*

B. Discussion of Impacts of Other Jurisdictions with Verde Valley Fire District- Chief Hazime explained there was nothing new to report.

C. Board Discussion on Final Budget for FY 2013-2014- Board Members felt comfortable after their questions they had been covered at the last Board Meeting.

D. Adoption Of Final Budget For FY 2013-2014, Resolution 2013-02: After the resolution was read by Administrative Manager Debbie Spingola, **Motion** was made by Matt Robertson to adopt Budget for FY 2013-2014, to approve by Resolution 2013-02 in the amount of \$6,180,676.00 with a mil rate of \$3.2368. Second was made by Henry Martin. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Henry Martin to adjourn. Second was made by Thomas Rhodes. **Motion** carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: 10:55 AM

BOARD CLERK: _____ **DATE:** _____

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