

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF VERDE VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS, HELD JUNE 26, 2012, AT FIRE STATION 32, 1120 SOUTH PAGE SPRINGS ROAD, CORNVILLE, AZ.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 10:00AM

PRESENT:

Dick Dobbin (via Skype)
Ken Bishop
Matt Robertson
Bob Eddingfield (absent)
Thomas Rhodes

STAFF:

Chief Nazih Hazime
Debbie Lewis
AC Doerksen

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

PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET 2012-2013: None

BOARD DISCUSSION ON BUDGET FY 2012-2013: None

ADOPTION OF FINAL BUGET FOR FY 2012-2013: **Motion** was made by Ken Bishop to adopt Budget for FY 2012-2013, to approve by Resolution 2012-08 in the amount of \$6,144,775.00 with a mil rate of \$2.9312 and to postpone the hiring of 3 firefighters pending the exact Assessed Value numbers in February 2013, the outcome of the Annexation attempt in October 2012, and Board of Director's approval. Second was made by Dick Dobbin. **Motion** carried 3-1. Matt Robertson, Dick Dobbin and Ken Bishop voted aye. Thomas Rhodes abstained.

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 May 22, 2012 and Special Board Meeting June 12, 2012. Second was made by Ken Bishop. **Motion** carried 3-1. Matt Robertson, Dick Dobbin and Ken Bishop voted aye. Thomas Rhodes abstained.

SCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCES: Chief Hazime presented Verde Valley Fire District newest Full Time Firefighter Philip Graham and gave a brief background on Fire Fighter Graham. Phil Graham's wife Ashlee Graham did the badge pinning.

UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCES: NONE

CALL TO PUBLIC: NONE

REPORTS:

Chief Hazime reviewed the financial reports and asked the Board if we could condense. After Board discussion financial reports will continue as it has been in the past. Chief Hazime stated Chip Davis purchased a home in Quail Springs Ranch Road area and asked for a contract with VVFD for Fire and EMS protection. Fire Marshal Flummer gave an overview of recent fires in the areas. Chief Hazime reviewed the wildland billing.

CURRENT EVENTS: None

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

- A. Review of Legislation, Issues and Other Organizations or Agencies that may impact Verde Valley Fire District:** Chief Doerksen stated that he will have more information after the AFDA conference. ATRA is working on a plan and Chief Doerksen will bring back more information at a later date.
- B. Discussion of Impacts of Other Jurisdictions with Verde Valley Fire District–** Dick Dobbin stated there were supportive editorials in the paper for VVFD along with the opposing ones. Dick Dobbin also reviewed the article in the newspaper regarding budget. Chief Hazime will put together an article to review the mil rate and tax levy. Dick Dobbin stated that he supports the Chief in this article. Chief Hazime gave an update on the Joint Powers of Attorney/merger meeting he is working on.
- C. Call of Elections-2012 Board Elections- Motion** was made by Thomas Rhodes to approve the Call for Election of three Board Members, which will terminate on November 30, 2016, by the adoption of Resolution 2012-09. Second was made by Ken Bishop. **Motion** carried unanimously.
- D. Grievance Policy Review-**Chief Hazime reviewed the Grievance policy. Creating a panel does apply to the Grievance policy and Chief Hazime is pleased with the process. Chief Hazime would like to sit down with Dick Dobbin and review the policy one last time. Matt Robertson stated he would like Thomas Rhodes to have a chance to review the policy and then would like to have it placed on the agenda for approval from the Board.

ADJOURNMENT: 10:47 AM

BOARD CLERK: _____ **DATE:** _____