

BULLHEAD CITY FIRE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

December 13, 2022

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Board Clerk Charles Moore, Board Clerk Moore led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Board Member: Charles Moore Board Member: Norma Brummett Board Member: Rose Jacobs

Board Chairman: David C. Cummings - Via ZOOM

Vacant Board Seat

Staff Present: Fire Chief: Patrick Moore

Assistant Fire Chief - Logistics: Scott Neal Assistant Fire Chief - PPD/EMS: Forrest Taylor Assistant Fire Chief - Operations: Justin Flummer

Administrative Manager: Paula Acker

CORRESPONDENCE AND PRESENTATIONS

Received a thank you from Mohave County Risk Management/Emergency Management for Captain Rink Gordon who taught a chain saw safety class last month.

The BCFD would like to thank Barney from the Vista Del Sol for donating a hand carved Fire Engine. The engine is very intricate, and a significant amount of time was required to construct.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Minutes - November 22, 2022, Regular Public Meeting A. Board Member Jacobs made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented Board Member Brummett seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Keith Parker a resident of Fort Mohave addressed the Board. Mr. Parker expressed his opinion and concerns regarding Jim Zaborsky who has applied for the open seat on the Bullhead City Fire District Board.

Jim Zaborsky resident of Bullhead City addressed the Board by giving a response to Mr. Parker's allegations stating they are not factual.

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Firefighters' Community Report-PFFA Local 3647 No report given this month.

Fire Chief's report

Fire Chief Patrick Moore provided an overview of the Fire Chief and operations memorandum that was provided in the Board packet today and attached to the official Governing Board meeting minutes. The following is a summary of the report given:

We have received the certificate of occupancy for station #2. We are currently working on a punch list of items and should be completely functional soon.

Leadership 1.0 is scheduled to be conducted February 6-9, 2023, at the Anderson Field House in BHC. 2.0 is tentatively scheduled for March 2023.

The SEGAL/COMP Study draft has been distributed; an update will be given at the January Board meeting after review from committee.

The new fire code will go into effect January 1.

We have four applicants that will go through the interview process, we currently have one vacancy.

The Arizona Fire District Association winter conference will be held January 11-13, 2023. Chief Moore stated the Firefighter toy program is in full swing, Captain Jeff Jackson expressed his gratitude to the Fire District for supporting the program. Assistant Chief Justin Flummer was recognized for his contribution to the program. The Board expressed appreciation to all involved.

Logistics Report - Assistant Chief, Scott Neal

Assistant Chief Neal stated the Temporary CO inspection has been received for Station #2 and the crew has moved into the new station.

The Laughlin Ranch Station #7 is on target to begin in January with a one-year lead time for completion.

Station #5 weather damage to the bay door has now been repaired.

Operations Report – Assistant Chief, Justin Flummer Report attached to minutes.

<u>PPD/EMS Report – Assistant Chief, Taylor</u> Report attached to minutes.

<u>CRR Report – Fire Marshal, Barbie Barrett</u> Report attached to minutes.

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BUSINESS

A. Fire Board - Election of Officers

Board member Brummett made a motion to appoint David C. Cummings as

Board Chairman. Board member Jacobs seconded the motion, all were in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

Board member Rose Jacobs made a motion to appoint Charles Moore as Board Clerk, Board member Brummett seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

B. Appointment for BCFD Board Vacancy

Chief Moore addressed the Board, we have received 9 applicants for the vacant board position, Paul Drake withdrew his application. Applicant are listed in alphabetical order and will be given three minutes to introduce themselves.

The following applicants gave a brief history of qualifications and expressed interest in serving on the Fire District Board.

In alphabetical order:

Ellen Brown, Gary Davis, John Distelrath, Donald Dixon, Ralph Mauzy, David Meeks, John Pynakker, Jim Zaborsky.

Board member Charles Moore stated he is very pleased with the caliber of applicants seeking the open board position. He stated we can only pick one, however there are a lot of committees in the community that could use the talents of those applying today.

Board member Brummett and Jacobs also stated they were very impressed with the quality of applicants.

Board Member Jacobs made a motion for Ellen Brown to fill the current BCFD Board vacancy, there was not second and the motion did not carry.

Board Member Jacobs made a motion for John Pynakker to fill the current BCFD Board vacancy, Board Member Brummett seconded the motion, all were in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

C. 7-year DROP for existing DROP employees

Chief Moore explained currently we have eight members in the Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) system. New legislation now permits DROP extension from 5 years to 7 years, employer approval is required to amend the current employee's DROP contract, future DROP participants will automatically have the option for a 7-year DROP. Chief Moore stated the extension has a cost impact and rate for PSPRS as well as promotional delays.

Discussion continued regarding costs associated and how this affects future DROP employees, Chief Moore explained that this decision today is for current DROP employees only. Chief Moore stated that he has not heard from anyone that would like to extend the DROP. Chairman Cummings stated he believes that extending the DROP would affect the promotional system and he personally would vote no. Captain Matt Breen stated he is only aware of one current DROP member that may be interested in extending the DROP.

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SUGGESTED ITEMS FOR FUTRE BCFD BOARD MEETINGS

NEXT BOARD MEETING

January 24, 2023

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Recorded by,

Paula Acker

Administrative Manager

Bullhead City Fire District

Approved by,

David C. Cummings, Chairman

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Charles Moore, Board Clerk

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