

BULLHEAD CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT



“Committed to Our Community”

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

September 25, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Board Chairman Dave Cummings. Chairman Cummings led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Board Chairman: David Cummings
Board Clerk: Charles Moore
Board Member: Ralph Mauzy
Board Member: Karen Flenniken
Board Member: Heather Petrillo

Staff Present: Interim Fire Chief: Patrick Moore
Assistant Fire Chief: Scott Neal
EMS Manager: Forrest Taylor
Administrative Manager: Paula Acker

PRESENTATIONS:

EMS Chief Taylor presented James Weiss with a stethoscope for becoming a Paramedic. Chief Moore presented Engineer Brandon Pascual and Captain Shane Campbell with their promotional badges. Captain Orlando Hartford received a 25 year of service plaque.

CONSENT AGENDA

Board Member Moore motioned to accept the consent agenda as presented, Board Member Mauzy seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

There was no response to the Call to the Public.

REPORTS

Firefighters' Community Report

There was no report given.

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Fire Chief's report

Interim 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. He briefly updated the Board on current training and firefighter testing that has been completed and waiting for results. He also gave an update on the Bond Committee's stating we are waiting for schedule from Fire Trucks Unlimited (FTU) and the performance bond for the purchase of five (5) new engines has been sent to the District's attorney, Bill Whittington for review. The Self contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) fit testing has been completed and training is scheduled for October with delivery expected early November. He stated the Extrication equipment is also scheduled to be delivered in November. Chief Moore advised Station 2 location is being reviewed near the existing site and particularly on the new Laughlin Ranch Blvd.

- Logistics Report

Chief Neal stated the Egress project at station #2, 1230 hwy 95, is near completion. Laughlin Ranch property is up for zoning renewal and paperwork has been turned in to the City for the November Planning and Zoning meeting. He stated the Oil separators at station # 6, 2025 Clearwater, have been cleaned out per annual inspection. L&M supply chain is up and running in the second month and orders have been adjusted to account for needs. LED lighting is being installed to all stations replacing fluorescent lighting which will save money in multiple areas. He stated a meeting has been scheduled with FTU early October to begin pre-con discussion of aerial and medic unit projects. The mechanics shop hours has been changed from a 4 day work schedule to a 5 day work schedule. Chief Neal addressed the Board regarding a contractor RFQ for future construction needs.

- EMS Report

Chief Taylor gave the EMS report to the Board. He advised the new EVG ambulance has been received and inspected by AZDHS. The new Pyxis system at Western Regional Medical Center (WARMC) is being finalized and will be operational very soon and be available 24/7 to our personnel.

He stated training by Air Methods will be conducted and attendees will received 5 CE's for the class.

He also advised there will be pediatric patient training in October.

- Fire Prevention Report

Chief Dykens was absent from the meeting, there was no report this month.

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BUSINESS:

A. Clinical agreement between Bullhead City Fire Department (BCFD) and Mohave Community College (MCC).

Board Member Mauzy made a motion to discuss, Board Member Moore seconded the motion. Chief Moore addressed the Board, he stated BCFD partners with MCC to provide Firefighter recruit classes as well as EMS based delivery service programs along with elected fire science programs. He stated before the Board today is one comprehensive document that would replace previous intergovernmental agreements (IGA's) for these services that expire at different times. He stated BCFD has been working with MCC to streamline these into one document with one expiration date. Board Chairman Cummings stated on the Motion to approve the contract with MCC do I have a second, Mauzy motioned to accept the clinical agreement as presented, all were in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

B. Possible action to extend an offer of employment as Fire Chief and authorize the chairman to commence negotiations.

Chairman Cummings read the following: discussion possible action to extend an offer of employment as Fire Chief and authorize the Chairman to commence contract negotiations. This item was placed on the agenda to discuss current Fire Chief vacancies and as a reminder at our June 26, 2018 Public Board Meeting we previously placed in interim role for a three month period, we decided to either promote internally or conduct an outside search. We now need to decide to fill the position internally or move to fill the Fire Chief position from the outside. If the decision is to fill the position from within, then we need to move forward with a contract discussion and if we don't fill from within then we need to move on the Fire Chief search. Board Member Mauzy made a motion to discuss, Board Member Moore seconded the motion. Board Member Mauzy stated he would like to hire from the talent we have within to move the Department forward. Board Chairman Cummings made a motion to promote Interim Fire Chief Patrick Moore to Fire Chief pending contract negotiations. The contract terms for the payment and benefits would be negotiated within existing job qualifications pay scale with the Bullhead City Fire Department, with not further discussion Board Member Petrillo seconded the motion, all were in favor and the motion carried unanimously. Chairman Cummings congratulated Chief Moore, Chief Moore stated he is honored and looks forward to working with the elected officials and hard working employees of BCFD as well as our support staff.

C. Possible action to continue fire chief candidate search and recruitment.

No action.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/BOARD DIRECTION TO STAFF

Chairman Cummings stated to Chief Neal that further discussion on the RFQ can be done next month as an adgenized item.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:08 a.m.

Recorded by,



Paula Acker
Administrative Manager

Approved by,



David C. Cummings, Chairman
Fire District Board



Charles Moore, Board Clerk
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