# BULLHEAD CITY FIRE DISTRICT
# GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 26, 2024

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Board Chairman Cummings, Chairman Cummings led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL
Present: Board Chairman: David C. Cummings
Board Member: Rose Jacobs
Board Member: Charles Moore
Board Member: Ellen Brown
Board Member: Tanner Lane

Staff Present: Fire Chief: Patrick Moore
Administrative Manager: Paula Acker

CORRESPONDENCE AND PRESENTATIONS
No presentations this month.

CONSENT AGENDA
A. Approval of Minutes – February 27, 2024, Regular Public Meeting
B. Approval of Minutes – March 20, 2024, Special Meeting
C. Acceptance of Financial Reports for February 2024

Board member Jacobs made a motion to accept the consent agenda as presented, Board member Brown seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC
There was no response to the call to the public.

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.

Chief Moore recognized staff for their hard work on several ongoing projects and recruitment process.

Grant update included applications are in process for a SAFER Grant for 12 firefighters and a new tactical water tender. Group applications: Cardiac Monitors-River Valley Fire Agencies. Cancer Screening – continuing (3rd phase) and mental wellness program (1st phase). Application for a new Type 6 will require a 50% matching contribution of a total estimated cost of $250,000. The new fire boat that was received through the SLIF Grant is now in service. Appropriations: Fire Safety Trailer, River Valley regional radio replacement for entire river valley, estimated cos of $2,100,000.

Leadership Academy was completed earlier this month, with 22 students from 8 Mohave County Fire Departments attending.

A live fire training video was presented to the Board.

Operations Report – Assistant Chief, Justin Flummer

Chief Moore gave the Operations report today. The Type II Ambulance (ordered in October) is at FTU being stripped; we expect delivery in a few weeks.

The Airshow will be held at Laughlin/Bullhead Airport on April 6, 2024.

Stats included 951 total calls for February 3 structure fires, 801 EMS and remaining calls for good intent or false alarm.

Logistics Report – Assistant Chief Scott Neal

Chief Neal stated the certificate of occupancy has been issued for Station #7. Furniture is being delivered this week. Further discussion on Station #7 is an agenda item today.

Nothing to report on all other stations other than general scheduled annual inspections and maintenance.

PPD/EMS Report -Assistant Chief Forrest Taylor

We recently met with MALC school and Academy of Business Industries (AOBI) for interest in the upcoming Fire Academy. 22 students will be selected after an interview process.

EMS and Fire Training completed include a pediatric lab and live fire instructor training held in early March.

CRR Report – Fire Marshal, Barbie Barrett

The annual Kindergarten Fire Safety Trailer will be held in April. We will be working with Banner Health conducting a life safety program for kids called Safety Town in local

schools in April.
Barbie will be representing Arizona at the International Assoc.of Arson Investigators Training Conference in April.

BUSINESS

Public Board Meeting Time Change

Chief Moore stated that we would like to move the time for the monthly meeting from 8:30 to 9:00 to facilitate travel time from the Laughlin Ranch Fire/Admin Station to the BHC Council Chambers.

Board member Lane made a motion to change the time of the meetings to 9:00 am starting at the April 23, 2024, public meeting. Board member Brown seconded the motion, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Station #7 Update

Chief Moore stated the station is complete and we are waiting on the internet, phone, and radio connectivity. We expect to be moving the admin office into the new space around the first week of May 2024.

A drone video of the building process in time lapse was presented to the Board.

We are waiting for the second ambulance to arrive to place in the new station as well as staffing deployment final determination.

The Board expressed gratitude to BCFD staff for the work done to complete the two new Fire Stations.

JPA Study Update

Chief Moore stated he was hopeful to have the completed draft today, but it is still not complete. Eight districts are involved in the study. The financial feasibility would include a compensation plan throughout the districts, and funding of capital. Chief Moore stated that funding the capital is the biggest issue. Smaller districts may have to increase the tax rates a bit to achieve capital goals and maintain financial independence.

Districts would probably engage in a PSPRS actuarial to see if there are savings there.There could be potential savings on workers comp.

District leaders will meet Thursday this week to look at the math issue and see who is interested in moving forward.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUGGESTED ITEMS FOR FUTURE BCFD BOARD MEETINGS

NEXT BOARD MEETING

April 23, 2024, new time 9:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

Recorded by,

Paula Acker
Administrative Manager
Bullhead City Fire District

Approved by,

David C. Cummings, Chairman
Fire District Board

Charles Moore, Board Clerk
Fire District Board