

## MEETING MINUTES OF THE GREER FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS -- DRAFT

Meeting Time/Date: 0900 Hours

26 April 2017

Meeting Location: Greer Fire District Station 2, 38974 SR 373

### I. CALL TO ORDER

Lee Smith, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order at 0938 hours.

### II. ROLL CALL OF FIRE BOARD MEMBERS

Attendees: Smith, Jim Wright, Peter Pegnam, Jimmy Emerson and Ted Diepstraten. Also present Fire Chief Mark Wade, Deputy Chief Rye Sluiter, Lieutenant Chris Struble and Firefighter Cody Wilson.

### III. SCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCES

- Auxiliary Report: Chief Wade reported that the auxiliary is planning a raffle to raise money for the Fire Department. It will be advertised as a Great Greer getaway and include a two-night stay at a Greer Cabin donated by Lazy Trout, a breakfast at the Rendezvous Diner, Dinner at Molly Butler Lodge. Second prize will be two kayaks purchased through Costco. Third prize will be a Yeti cooler purchased at cost through Western Drug. Other prizes will include gift certificates from local merchants. Planning continues for the Department's Open House for May 27 from 11 a.m. To 2 p.m.

- Website Report: None.

- Annual Audit Report: Tricia Saunders of Saunders Company reviewed by teleconference call the annual audit report, which had been prepared and presented to the Board earlier in the year. It was a clean audit, she confirmed, with everything in order and no deficiencies identified.

### IV. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None present.

### V. CONSENT AGENDA

A.) Minutes: The Board reviewed minutes for last month's meeting.

B.) Chief's Report: A copy is attached and made a part of these minutes. Chief Wade reviewed for the Board. The Chief said Firefighter Mike Meacham was sent with the Alpine Fire Department to assist with the Sawmill Fire burning south of Tucson. He also updated the Board on the recent drowning of a canoeist at Bunch Reservoir.

C.) Chairman's Report: Chairman Smith asked Chief Wade to institute a plan to have Board members notified by telephone in case of a tragedy such as the recent drowning. He also mentioned the May 3 Apache County planning meeting set for the Community Center. He called on Deputy Chief Sluiter to report on a recent visit by County Supervisor Doyel Shamley, who inspected a two-acre parcel of land that is in need of tree thinning. Area fire departments may

be able to conduct a training session to help with the thinning.

D.) Financial Report: The Board reviewed and discussed.

Account Balances 04/01/2017

General Fund

10-1010 Apache County Treasurer -----	\$45,781.62
10-1015 Payroll National Bank of Arizona -----	\$6,979.25
10-1020 Special Revenue National Bank of Arizona -----	\$204,146.34
<b>General Fund Total -----</b>	<b><u>\$256,907.21</u></b>

Greer Fire District Auxiliary -----	\$6,000.29
Greer Fire District Pension -----	\$43,022.27
Bellinger Springs Water Users -----	\$1,437.55

E.) Committee reports: None.

F.) Correspondence: None.

Motion by Ted and second by Jim to approve the consent agenda. Approved 5-0.

VI. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CALENDAR

A.) Personnel Issues: None.

B.) Hiring Candidates: None.

C.) Auxiliary Activities: Covered previously.

D.) Standard Operating and Administrative Procedures: None.

E.) Privacy fence: Nothing new.

F.) Verizon tower: Nothing new.

G.) FY-17-18 Budget. Chief Wade reviewed the proposed budget for the Board. The budget includes a 3% Cost of Living raise for personnel. A public hearing on the proposed budget of \$864,836.00 will be held May 31, 2017 at 9 a.m. At the Greer Fire District Administration Office, 38974 SR 373. The amended budget amount for the current fiscal year was \$820,574.00. The citizens of Greer are welcome at all meetings of the District Board.

Peter moved that the proposed budget be approved as presented. Jim seconded. Approved unanimously 5-0.

The proposed budget was then amended to move \$4,000 from communications to fire fighting equipment to purchase personal protection equipment (dry suits) for water rescue missions such as the one recently caused by the drowning at Bunch Reservoir. Ted moved that the budget be so amended. Jimmy seconded. Approved 5-0.

VII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Next regular meeting set for May 31.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting Adjourned at 1110.

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Peter Pegnam, Clerk

Board members:

Lee Smith, Chairman \_\_\_\_\_

Ted Diepstraten \_\_\_\_\_

Jim Wright \_\_\_\_\_

Jimmy Emerson \_\_\_\_\_

Peter Pegnam \_\_\_\_\_