

YARNELL FIRE DISTRICT

FIRE BOARD MINUTES, REGULAR SESSION May 18 ,2020

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Arlon Rice called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM

2. Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call of Board Members:

Present were Chair Arlon Rice, Treasurer Richard Mayer, Secretary Carole Ryan. Members at Large: Donna Gordon (by phone) . Dale Lund. Chief Jeff Shearer. Grant Specialist/Safer Grant Manager Denise Roggio.

3. Approval of Draft Minutes:

A. Richard made a motion to approve the minutes for the YFD Regular Session of April 20, 2020 . Dale seconded. Motion carried by all.

4. Reports and Correspondence:

A. Chairman's Report: The Chamber is not paying for their space in the Admin Bldg right now. We will allow them to keep their property here until someone else pays for the space.

B. Secretary's Report: (none)

C. Treasurer's Reports: (See attached)

Period ending May 8, 2020

General Fund: \$13,190.88 ;Capital Reserve: \$570.77 ;Donations and Grants: \$8,393.61

Pension and Relief: \$ 14,169.17 Yarnell Shuttle: \$15,353.23; Training Center: \$2,394.44

Wildland Fires: \$39,599.34

Carole made a motion to accept this treasurer's report as reported. Richard seconded. Motion carried by all. (See attached)

Five transfers : Three on April 24, 2020. Two on May 1, 2020 (See attached) Carole made a motion to accept these transfers as reported. Arlon seconded. Motion carried by all.

D. Chief's Report: (See Attached) Memorial run is now Virtual only. 253 have registered as of last week. Cadet and YFD Training – much completed for all. New window in Chief's office. He can now see up the hill to the fire station his desk. Chief is attending available Virtual Meetings only. Fuels abatement will be completed early.

Twenty incidents (not counting mutual aid) . Ave response time 2.16 minutes.

We are hoping to be able to set up a cadet competition in the near future between the four AZ cadet groups- Yarnell, Glendale and Prescott and Surprise.

E. Grant Report and Safer Report by Denise Roggio (see attached) USDA attorneys are still working on our grant. New award (May 2) of \$3,508.76 with 50% match through VFA AZDFFM Wildland Supplies Grant.

We have used 32% of our Safer Grant. Denise wants to use 50% by October 2020 as we will be at the halfway point. In the Basic Training category of \$10,000, we will have trouble using this at this time due to lack of training available because of COVID.

5. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Discussion is in progress with Wickenburg Hospital regarding a possible med distribution system from our Admin Bldg .

B . Much progress and some needed changes to our YFD Website . Many work hours by Dale Lund and Denise Roggio. Lots of updating in progress. Pop-up windows are being developed.

We have been getting about 1000 Website hits/month.

C. Correspondence from YWIA was sent to YFD which indicated that they would accept payment of \$1,500 for water used during the Rosewind Fire last year.

They also indicated that we need to set up a committee of two board members to discuss current and future issues between YWIA and YFD. Our new committee will include Dale and Richard. Also Chief Shearer will meet with this group for YFD technical concerns.

We will send a letter to YWIA providing this information.

We will also send a letter to Wendy Amos to inform her that YFD has paid a negotiated sum of \$1,500 as a one time payment to YWIA for the water used on her fire . We will also let her know that YFD has to follow AZ statutory requirements regarding this sum as this is paid from taxpayer money.

D. Richard made a motion to terminate our current Agreement of Mutual Understanding with YWIA dated 10-16.15. Donna seconded. Motion carried by all.

We will send a letter to YWIA regarding this matter.

6. NEW BUSINESS : none

No members of the public attended this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT at 11:57AM .

Our next regular meeting will be June 15, 2020

Respectively submitted : Carole Ryan, YFD Sec'y