

**MINUTES
SUN CITY FIRE DISTRICT
SPECIAL MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2014
9:30 A.M.**

CALL TO ORDER: Ed L. George, Board Chairman

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Board Chairman Ed George, Board Vice-Chairman Jack Leonard, Board Clerk Walter Link, Board Treasurer/Chaplain Bob Luger, and Board Member Dave Scott.

Members Absent: None

Staff: Fire Chief Mike Thompson, Advisor Jim Haner, USCFPA Vice-President Rob Schmitz and Administrative Manager Lisa Neubert.

BUSINESS CONDUCTED: The Committees of the Board discussed various matters within their areas of responsibility.

I. Budget and Finance (Luger & Leonard)

- A.** Chief Thompson led a discussion on closing the merchant checking account at Wells Fargo and moving the merchant business activity to the Wells Fargo payroll account. The merchant checking account was initially established to receive credit card payments for monies owed to the District. In order to streamline monthly account reconciliations this account should be closed and the merchant activity should be transferred to the payroll account. After discussion the board voted unanimously to close the Wells Fargo merchant account and transfer the merchant business activity to the Wells Fargo payroll account. (M: Walter Link/S: Robert Luger) *Motion Carried*
Ayes: Ed George, Walter Link, Jack Leonard, Robert Luger and David Scott
Nays: None
- B.** Chief Thompson will lead a discussion on moving the District's Capital Funds account from Ameriprise to Merrill Lynch. Chief Thompson will arrange for the Merrill Lynch representatives to give a presentation to the Board at the next regular meeting.
- C.** Chief Thompson gave an overview of the fundraising efforts of the Yarnell Hill Recovery Group. This group is selling commemorative bricks for a walkway around a proposed memorial for the 19 fallen members of the Granite Mountain Hotshots. The proceeds from this fundraising effort will be used to create this memorial, rebuild all the lost homes for the uninsured and underinsured, restore the water company, and bolster the Yarnell and Peoples Valley Fire Departments. The Yarnell Hill Recovery Group needs to raise approximately \$6 million dollars to fund these efforts. This item will be

presented at the next regular meeting along with a resolution should the board decide to take action on this matter.

II. Legal and Insurance (Leonard & Link)

A. The Board discussed agenda items III, IV, and V prior to this agenda item. At 10:10 a.m. pursuant to A.R.S. Section 38.431.03(A)(4) the Board voted to go into Executive Session for the purposes of discussion of a possible future contract matter. (M: David Scott/S: Robert Luger) *Motion Carried*

Ayes: Ed George, Walter Link, Jack Leonard, Robert Luger, and David Scott

Nays: None

B. The Board resumed the special meeting at 10:25 a.m.

III. Fire Department Operations (George & Scott)

A. Chief Thompson reported that the fleet was fully operational at this time.

IV. Grounds and Equipment (George & Link)

A. Chief Thompson reported that the FS131 countertop project is in process and that FS132 is experiencing roof leak issues. He further reported that he will be requesting funds in next year's budget for parking lot maintenance at station parking lots.

V. Special Projects (Luger and Scott)

A. Board member Scott reported that the Sun City Fire District Auxiliary is still awaiting their 501(c)(3) designation from the Internal Revenue Service.

VI. Adjournment

A. The meeting adjourned at 10:27 a.m.

FOR THE BOARD

Walter A. Link

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Clerk of the Board

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