

**MINUTES
SUN CITY FIRE DISTRICT
SPECIAL MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 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, Volunteer Phil Griswold, Battalion Chief John Deakin, USFFA 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. Legal and Insurance (Leonard & Link)

A. The Board voted to go into executive session, Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(3) for legal advice at 9:40 a.m. (M: Walter Link/S: Robert Luger) *Motion Carried*

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

Nays: None

B. The board ended the executive session and resumed the special meeting at 9:52 a.m.

C. The Board, after discussion, voted to accept a fee schedule for services with Patrick McGroder III, Esq. of Gallagher & Kennedy, P.A. for their work in the acquisition of a Ground Ambulance Certificate of Necessity (CON). The fee schedule is as follows: The Sun City Fire District will pay \$100,000 plus all associated costs for representation by Gallagher & Kennedy, P.A. for the application and hearing process of a CON. If the District acquires a CON through this process then the District will pay Gallagher & Kennedy, P.A. an additional \$250,000. If the District does not acquire a CON through this process, then they owe nothing further to Gallagher & Kennedy, P.A. (M: Robert Luger/S: David Scott) *Motion Carried*

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

Nays: None

II. Budget and Finance (Luger & Leonard)

- A. None.**

III. Fire Department Operations (George & Scott)

- A. Chief Thompson reported that Roy Ryals would have the Ground Ambulance Certificate of Necessity application completed and ready for submission to the Arizona Department of Health Services by the end of this week.**

IV. Grounds and Equipment (George & Link)

- A. Chief Thompson reported that E131 needs a transmission replacement and will be out of service for an extended period of time.**

- B. Chief Thompson reported that they have received a bid to re-do the countertops and cabinetry at FS131. This bid will not exceed the original bid by Element Metals, who performed unsatisfactory work and the District did not pay them.**

- C. Chief Thompson reported on roof damage from the recent rain storms. FS131 experienced several leaks and Glendale Roofing was called out to evaluate what repair work is necessary. FS132 had similar issues from a prior rain storm. The bid from Glendale Roofing to re-foam the FS132 roof is \$13,743.00.**

- D. Chief Thompson and Battalion Chief Deakin presented three bids for the replacement of C131 (17013). The bids were for ½ ton pick-up truck. The three bids were as follows: Peoria Ford -\$44,460.00; Larry H. Miller Dodge - \$36,020.98; Liberty GMC - \$38,026.00. These bids do not include the price of lettering, lighting and radio equipment. Battalion Chief Deakin reported that the Dodge was extremely hard to work with and seemed not to want to provide a bid. Chief Thompson recommended the GMC based on past performance history of the District's GMC products and the willingness of the dealer to provide quality service. After discussion the board voted unanimously to accept the bid from Liberty GMC in the amount of \$38,026.00. (M: Jack Leonard/S: Robert Luger) *Motion Carried***

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

Nays: None

- E. Chief Thompson and Battalion Chief Deakin presented three bids for the replacement of BC131 (46456). The bids were for a ¾ ton pick-up truck. The three bids were as follows: Peoria Ford -\$38,054.90; Larry H. Miller Dodge - \$49,932.57; Liberty GMC - \$47,338.45. These bids do not include the price of lettering, lighting and radio equipment. Chief Deakin noted that the vast price difference between Peoria Ford and the other two dealers is because Peoria Ford did not include upgraded equipment in their bid. After discussion the board voted unanimously to accept the bid from Liberty GMC in the amount of \$47,338.45. (M: Jack Leonard/S: Robert Luger) *Motion Carried***

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

Nays: None

- F. Chief Thompson presented bids for ePCR software and tablets to replace the current method of paper charting on EMS calls. Electronic charting is one of the new requirements of the Affordable Care Act and is required in order for the Department to process any Medicare or insurance claims should the need arise in the future. The bids presented were as follows: ImageTrend - \$74,475.00 implementation and first year with an average 5 year projected cost of \$29,295.00 per year; Sansio - \$69,168.00 implementation and first year with an average 5 year cost of \$31,478 per year; Zoi - \$20,000 implementation and first year with an average 5 year cost of \$18,240.00. All ePCR models were field test and Zoi was the recommended ePCR software by field testers. After discussion and review the board voted unanimously to approve the purchase of the Zoi ePCR software and tablets. (M: Robert Luger/S: Jack Leonard)
Motion Carried
Ayes: Ed George, Jack Leonard, Walter Link, Robert Luger, David Scott
Nays: None.

V. Special Projects (Luger and Scott)

- A. None.

VI. The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

FOR THE BOARD

Walter A. Link

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Clerk of the Board

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