

**MINUTES  
SUN CITY FIRE DISTRICT  
SPECIAL MEETING  
TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2015  
9:30 A.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER:** David Scott, Chairman

**ROLL CALL:**

**Members Present:** David Scott, Walter Link, Jack Leonard, Bob Luger, and Phil Griswold.

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff:** Fire Chief Mike Thompson, 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. Legal and Insurance**

- A.** Chief Thompson presented proposed changes to the following sections of the Sun City Fire District By-Laws: Article IV, Section 2; Article V, Section 1, (a); Article VI, Section 2; Article VI Section 4, (c). A motion was made and seconded to accept the changes to the Sun City Fire District By-Laws. After discussion the Board voted unanimously to accept all changes. (M: Philip Griswold/S: Robert Luger)  
**Ayes:** David Scott, Walter Link, Jack Leonard, Robert Luger, Philip Griswold  
**Nays:** None

**II. Budget and Finance**

- A.** No budget and finance matter were discussed.

**III. Fire Department Operations**

- A.** Chief Thompson reported that all fleet is up and running as of today.

**IV. Grounds and Equipment**

- A.** Chief Thompson presented the new logo for apparatus. A motion was made and seconded to approve the logo design. After discussion the Board voted unanimously to approve the design. (M: Robert Luger/S: Walter Link)

**Ayes:** David Scott, Walter Link, Jack Leonard, Robert Luger, Philip Griswold  
**Nays:** None

- B.** Chief Thompson reported that ADOT has been reviewing the 99<sup>th</sup> & Union Hills intersection for redesign. The proposed redesign will most likely require ADOT to acquire a portion of the District's administrative property facing Union Hills Drive. Chief Thompson will keep the Board updated as this project gets underway.

**V. Special Projects**

- A.** Chief Thompson led a discussion on how board reports are currently compiled for regular monthly board meetings. Currently reports are prepared for the month ending prior to the board meeting. Many times this does not allow for sufficient time for data to be captured for reporting purposes. Chief Thompson proposed that reports presented at the monthly board meeting be for the month ending two months prior. As an example, March's reports would be delivered at the May board meeting. Board members discussed the matter and saw no issue with this change. Chief Thompson will check with Finance Director Gabe Buldra to see if the monthly financial reports can be changed to this time frame as well.
- B.** USCFFA Vice-President Rob Schmitz gave an overview of the captains' academy that is currently underway. The last captains' academy was held nine years ago.
- C.** Chief Thompson gave an update on the CON process. Currently the District's application is still in the substantive review process.
- D.** HR administrative manager Lisa Neubert gave an update on the District's workers compensation insurance policy cancellation. Ms. Neubert reported that CopperPoint Mutual, the District's current insurance provider, did not approve the District's reconsideration letter for policy cancellation effective July 1, 2015. Craig Carson, Southwest Risk Services, is currently working to see if there are any carriers interested in quoting a policy for the District. There are only two possibilities so far. If the District cannot find another insurer then it will be put into the assigned risk pool. The premium costs for the assigned risk pool is almost double that of last year's premium cost.

**VI. The meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.**

**FOR THE BOARD**

*Walter A. Link*

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Clerk of the Board

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