

**MINUTES  
SUN CITY FIRE DISTRICT  
SPECIAL MEETING  
TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 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, Captain Manuel Vasquez 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.** This item (possible executive session pursuant to A.R.S. Section 38.431.03(A)(1)) was moved to the last agenda item.
- B.** Chief Thompson reported that an employee has brought forth a request for the District to add domestic partner health insurance coverage to its employees. Chief Thompson called the District's attorney Mike Widener who stated that this type of decision should be made by the governing board. There was discussion on the merits, both positive and negative, of adding domestic partner insurance. The board has requested to see what specific language would be added to health insurance contracts and what is required of an employee to prove they qualify for this type of coverage. This item has been deferred to a future meeting for discussion after more information is obtained.

**II. Budget and Finance**

- A.** Chief Thompson reported that the company 7710 Insurance has reviewed our application and history for workers' compensation insurance and has submitted a proposal for approximately \$200,000 less than the assigned risk insurance for workers' compensation. The District is currently waiting for the final numbers and an agreement for signature.
- B.** Due to recent emails received from FEMA there is a probability that we will be awarded our personnel grant.
- C.** Chief Thompson reported that he has a meeting on June 17, 2015 with attorneys Gallagher & Kennedy to review the District's hearing strategies for upcoming CON hearings.
- D.** The budget was posted for its twenty day review period by the public. No questions from the public have been received so far.

**III. Fire Department Operations**

- A. Both homeowners of the May 17, 2015 duplex fire have been relocated and 1-800-BoardUp has been awarded the construction contract.

**IV. Grounds and Equipment**

- A. Captain Vasquez and USCFFA Vice President Rob Schmitz presented a “company logo” for E133. The board discussed the size and placement of company logos. There is concern that the size and placement of the logos on Department apparatus may interfere with other signage and striping. The Board voted unanimously to allow company logos that were no larger than 18”H and 20”W and to approve the E133 logo as presented. Logos will be placed in an area on the body of the truck that does not interfere with door signage or striping on the cab. (M: Jack Leonard/S: Robert Luger)  
Ayes: David Scott, Walter Link, Jack Leonard, Robert Luger, Phil Griswold  
Nays: None
- B. Chief Thompson reported that the roof and bay door at FS131 should be repaired by the end of the month.
- C. L131 is back in service after annual NFPA testing. Additionally the seats have been repaired. All remaining apparatus, with the exception of E133, have had their annual inspections completed.

**V. Special Projects**

- A. None.

**VI. Executive Session**

- A. The board voted unanimously to go into executive session for the purposes of discussing an employment contract for Fire Chief Thompson. (M: Walter Link/S: Phil Griswold)  
Ayes: David Scott, Walter Link, Robert Luger, Philip Griswold  
Nays: None
- B. The executive session adjourned at 10:31 a.m. and the special meeting resumed.

**VII. Adjournment**

- A. There were no other matters to come before the board so the special meeting adjourned at 10:32 a.m.

**FOR THE BOARD**

*Walter A. Link*

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Clerk of the Board

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