MINUTES SUN CITY FIRE DISTRICT SPECIAL MEETING TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2019 9:30 A.M.

CALL TO ORDER: David Scott, Chairman

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: David Scott, Walter Link, David Mann, Tim Wilmes

Members Absent: Jack Leonard with notice

Staff: Chief Ron Deadman, Battalion Chief Rob Schmitz, Administrative Assistant Theresa M. Perez.

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

CALL TO ORDER: David Scott, Chairman

ROLL CALL:

<u>BUSINESS TO BE CONDUCTED:</u> The Committees of the Board will discuss various matters within their areas of responsibility.

- I. Legal and Insurance Items A & B have been postponed for discussion prior to end of Special Meeting.
 - A. The board voted to go into Executive Session for discussing the employment contract of Fire Chief.
 - B. The board voted to go into Executive Session to discuss and consider the Fire Chief's contract extension, expiring January 31, 2019. This item is set for discussion and possible action.

II. Budget and Finance

A. Chief Deadman presented a handout and discussed with the board the CAD dispatching system changes. The last intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) was signed in 2009. Chief Deadman gave an overview of pages 3, 4, 11 and 12; the new requirements, changes, differences and fees/charges were disclosed in the updated dispatch agreement.

III. Fire Department Operations

- A. An update was given on the receipt of new ambulances, including the disposal/sale of fire truck 137. Providing the truck meets quality standards; Chief Deadman will put forth a request for approval to dispose of fire truck 137 at the next board meeting to be held Tuesday, May 21, 2019.
- B. Chief Deadman updated the board on the 2 tragedies, which happened last week. The passing of a female firefighter who was exposed to a carcinogenic causing cancer; she was part of a HAZMAT team from Mesa. There was an accident involving Engine 18 and a pickup truck. The accident involved 3 fire personnel from Engine 18 who were injured including 2 adults and a 3-month-old child from the pickup truck who were deceased.

IV. Ambulance Operations

- A. Battalion Chief Schmitz updated the board on the delivery date of the 2 new ambulances, which is scheduled for the end of April.
- B. There was an update on the hiring of 3 paramedics; they are to start their internship to certify their skills prior to working in the field. Due to hiring of 3 EMT's for firefighter positions, the hiring of 2 paramedics and 1 EMT is expected. Chief Deadman congratulated the 3 new paramedics on completing and passing the course the 1st time. Chief Deadman will make a formal announcement at the next workshop meeting on Tuesday, May 14, 2018. The academy is to start Monday, July 1, 2019.

V. Grounds and Equipment

- A. Battalion Chief Schmitz addressed different practices and methods to aid in the removal of probable cancer causes, which included vehicle exhaust (diesel) from the trucks. There were system options that had been researched and found to be relatively costly. There will be a total of 13 apparatus to be retrofitted for the new NO SMOKE system. An overview on the NO SMOKE system was given by Chief Schmitz as the choice and type of exhaust filter to be used on the apparatus. A quote will be presented to the board as an action item at the next workshop meeting on Tuesday, May 14, 2019. The filter cost will be researched by Chief Schmitz with information to be forthcoming. Chief Deadman gave mention to the new filter system lasting 5 to 7 years. Chief Schmitz and Chief Deadman addressed inquiries from board member Tim Wilmes concerning the new filter system.
- B. Chief Schmitz addressed the annual landscaping and filter maintenance at stations 131, 132 and 133.

VI. Special Projects

A. Board member, Tim Wilmes commented on the 5-10-year plan; he suggested a date be set to forward a new plan to the board for consideration and possible approval before 2020. Chief Deadman was in agreement with Board member Tim Wilmes in revising a new 5-year plan before 2020. Chairman David Scott mentioned the revising of the bi-laws by July 2020, which were last modified in 2015.

VII. Executive Session

A. The Board voted to go into executive session to discuss a contract document submitted by Chief Deadman. (M: David Mann/2nd: Walter Link)

Ayes: David Scott, David Mann, Tim Wilmes

Nays: None

B. The Executive Session concluded at 10:26 a.m.; the Special meeting resumed at 10:27 a.m.

VIII. Adjournment

A. The Special meeting for April 9, 2019 adjourned at 10:28 a.m.

FOR THE BOARD

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Clerk of the Board

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