



Lake Mohave Ranchos Fire District



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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LAKE MOHAVE RANCHOS FIRE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD

The Governing Board of the Lake Mohave Ranchos Fire District met in Regular Session on **06/19/2024 at 1:00 p.m.**
The meeting was held at **the Dolan Springs Chamber of Commerce (16154 Pierce Ferry Rd Dolan Springs, AZ).**

The Board may vote to go into Executive Session on any Agenda item, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) for legal advice and A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(4) for legal direction with the District's Attorney on matters as set forth in the Agenda item. The following topics and any variables thereto, will be subject to Board consideration, discussion, approval, or other action. All items are set for possible action.

1) CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Director Nelson at 1:00 PM

2) ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS

Directors Garza, Reh-Bower, and Nelson are present.

3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE *(To honor those who serve our Country and within Public Safety and to those we've lost)*

Pledge and moment of silence lead by Director Garza.

4) EXECUTIVE SESSION: *(Board of Directors may vote to go into Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S §38.431.03 (A) (3))*

No executive session occurred.

5) MINUTES

a. 05/16/24 Regular minutes

Approval of May 16th, 2024 minutes was tabled because they were missing from the June Board packet and could not be viewed.

No action taken.

6) CONSENT AGENDA

a. **Chief Report:** to be presented by Chief Bonnee

(Notwithstanding subsection H of this section, the chief administrator, presiding officer or a member of a public body may present a brief summary of current events without listing in the agenda the specific matters to be summarized, if:

- 1. The summary is listed on the agenda.*
- 2. The public body does not propose, discuss, deliberate or take legal action at that meeting on any matter in the summary unless the specific matter is properly noticed for legal action. (A.R.S. 38-431.02.K.)*

Run Report:

AMR Transports: 0

EMS Calls: 91

Dolan Transports: 77

Fire Calls: 12

Mutual Aid Calls: 0

Highway 93 Calls: 29

Meadview Calls: 8

Meadview Coverage Days: 16

Meetings/Conferences/Training

Run Review, MCFOA:

Nothing new to report.

District Properties:

The Ford ambulance has had the new engine installed and now all ambulances are back in service. Station 42 is now gone and the site is cleaned up. A security system is also up and operating at Station 41.

Projects in the Works:

The Chief and Battalion Chief are still working on the new operational policies and procedures. They have also been pricing new beds along with new recliners for the day room. Lastly, LMRFD has been a part of three Wildland deployments so far and has earned \$25,000. It is just the start of the season, so expect there to be more deployments.

b. Financial Report: to be presented by Steven Rodriguez of JVG

Monthly Financial Report - May 2024

Revenue for May is \$110,293, which is under budget by \$436

- Tax revenue for May is \$37,669, which is under budget by \$5,585
- Non-tax revenue for May is \$72,624, which is over budget by \$5,585
- Misc income was over budget by \$48,427 due to the receipt of insurance proceeds

Expenses for May totaled \$89,754 which is under budget by \$14,885

- Personnel costs are under budget by \$19,806 due to no Wildland wages

Year-to-date total revenue is \$1,382,642, which is \$118,133 over budget

Year-to-date total expense is \$1,382,147, which is \$203,637 over budget

Motion to accept the consent agenda as presented: Director Reh-Bower

Seconded: Director Garza

Vote: Directors Garza, Nelson, and Reh Bower- AYE

PASSED

7) REGULAR SESSION

Old Business:

- a. Discussion and possible action:** By-law update to allow Battalion Chief to authorize expenditures in the Chief's absence. (Director Nelson)

Director Nelson is still working with the attorney about this topic. It has been tabled.

No action taken

- b. Discussion and possible action:** Status of prep for upcoming board election (director Reh-Bower)

Director Reh-Bower has collected all the necessary signatures required by Mohave County for two Board members to be added to the upcoming election. She will be able to file with the county promptly.

No action taken

New Business:

a. Discussion and possible action: Public hearing for adoption of FY 25 budget

Motion to open the public hearing for the 2025 fiscal year budget: Director Reh Bower

Seconded: Director Garza

Vote: Directors Garza, Nelson, and Reh-Bower- AYE

PASSED

There was no public that wished to speak about the 2025 fiscal year budget.

Motion to close the public hearing about the 2025 fiscal year budget: Director Reh-Bower

Seconded: Director Garza

Vote: Directors Garza, Nelson, and Reh-Bower- AYE

PASSED

b. Discussion and possible action: Adoption of FY 25 budget

There has been no changes from what was presented last month. Arizona's waiting period set by statute has been satisfied so the Board can move forward.

Highlights:

The proposed tax rate is 3.75%

Total budget amount is set at \$1,741,164

Director Reh Bower expressed concern that the public did not have an appropriate opportunity to speak about the budget before it was due for approval. Mr Rodriguez from James Vincent Group stated that it is why the tentative budget is posted publicly for at least 20 days before the vote to approve the final budget.

Motion to adopt the 2025 Fiscal Year Budget: Director Garza

Seconded: Director Reh-Bower

Vote: Directors Garza, Nelson, and Reh-Bower: AYE

PASSED

c. Discussion and possible action: 2025 PSPRS Pension Funding Policy.

If LMRFD continues to make legacy payments as scheduled, PSPRS should be fully funded by 2048. It will continue to be evaluated on an annual basis so the District may contribute more if it is in a position to do so.

Motion to approve the 2025 PSPRS Pension Funding Policy: Director Garza

Seconded: Director Reh-Bower

Vote: Directors Garza, Nelson, and Reh-Bower- AYE

PASSED

- 8) CALL to the PUBLIC.** *(The Fire District Board is not permitted to discuss or take action on any item(s) that are not on the Agenda that are raised in the call to the public. However, individual Board Members may be permitted to respond to criticism directed to them. Otherwise, the Board may direct that staff review the matter or that the matter be placed on a future agenda. The Fire District Board cannot discuss or take legal action on any issue raised during the Call to the Public due to restriction of the Opening Meeting Law).*

Janet Kromer of 18692 of North (inaudible) Drive, Dolan Springs- She is representing Laura Lance today, who had a question about renting the building owned by LMRFD to do craft shows. As discussion with the Board is not permitted since it is not an agenda item, she could not receive an answer today. However, the Chief will be in contact with her tomorrow.

9) CONSIDERATION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.

Specified tabled items will move to following month's Regular Meeting, unless noted otherwise and/or pending additional information.

10) NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING DATE & LOCATION. (Subject to change, notice/announcement will be posted via District Website, if any changes occur.) **07/18/2024 at 1:00 p.m. at the Dolan Springs Chamber of Commerce (16154 Pierce Ferry Rd Dolan Springs, AZ).**

Motion to close the June 2024 meeting at 1:36 PM: Director Garza

Seconded: Director Reh-Bower

Vote: Directors Garza, Nelson, and Reh-Bower- AYE

PASSED

MINUTES prepared by: Jen Gardner

Date: 06/24/2024

MINUTES signed/posted by: Jen Gardner

Date: 06/24/2024 3:45 pm

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LMRFD Official Posting Locations:

Administration / St. 41 (16126 Pierce Ferry Rd Dolan Springs, AZ)
Dolan Springs Chamber of Commerce (16154 Pierce Ferry Rd Dolan Springs, AZ)
St. 43 (30250 Stillwater Meadview, AZ)
Meadview Post Office (250 Pueblo Dr. Meadview, AZ 86444)
LMRFD Website (www.lmrfd.org)

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