

**GOLDER RANCH FIRE DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES
Tuesday, August 11, 2015 0900 hrs
3885 East Golder Ranch Drive, Tucson, Arizona**

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Fire Board Chairperson Vicki Cox Golder called the meeting to order on Tuesday, August 11, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

Members Present: Board Chairperson Vicki Cox Golder, Board Vice-Chair Steve Brady Board, Clerk David Dahl, Board Member Mark Clark, Board Member Richard Hudgins

Staff Present: Fire Chief Randy Karrer, Assistant Chief Tom Brandhuber, Assistant Chief Pat Abel, Finance Manager Dave Christian, Board Services Manager Brooke Painter

2. SALUTE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

3. FIRE BOARD REPORTS

There were no reports provided.

4. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Chief introduced to the Board current Board Member Chief Al Pesqueira and former Board Member Earle Ruhnke, in attendance from the Mountain Vista Fire District.

5. PRESENTATIONS

A. PRESENTATION OF PERSONNEL

Fire Medic Kim Davis was presented with a pin for ten years of service with the Golder Ranch Fire District. Autumn Kogovsek was recognized for her recent promotion to Secretary. Firefighters Gabriel Bravo, Matt Gordon, and Thomas Logan were recognized for their recent promotions to the position of Engineer.

The Board took a short break at 9:21 a.m.

They reconvened at 9:25 a.m.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approve Minutes – July 14, 2015 Regular Session

MOTION by Clerk Dahl to accept and approve item 6, the August 11, 2015 Consent Agenda

MOTION SECONDED by Board Member Hudgins

MOTION CARRIED 5/0

7. REGULAR BUSINESS

**A. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE ADOPTION OF AN UPDATED
GOLDER RANCH FIRE DISTRICT FEE SCHEDULE**



Board Services Manager Painter explained the amendments to the Fee Schedule included updating the Employee Related Expense (ERE) costs, the costs for public records requests and verbiage on the ambulance transportation fees to reflect they would coincide with the current rate approved by DHS.

MOTION by Board Member Hudgins to approve and formally adopt the updated Golder Ranch Fire District Fee Schedule as presented

MOTION SECONDED by Clerk Dahl

MOTION CARRIED 5/0

D. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE GOLDER RANCH FIRE DISTRICT RECONCILIATION AND MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Finance Manager Christian presented the reconciliation and monthly financial report to the Governing Board. He explained that the projected revenues for the end of the fiscal year 2014-2015 were above what was expected. He explained why the repairs budget exceeded the budgeted amount.

Chief Karrer explained the new state forester is working to get the funds paid for Wildland Fires in a timely manner.

There were no further questions or comments from the Board.

MOTION by Board Member Clark to approve and accept the Golder Ranch Fire District reconciliation and monthly financial report as presented

MOTION SECONDED by Clerk Dahl

MOTION CARRIED 5/0

8. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

A. Fire Chief's Report - Chief Karrer presented his report to the Board. Chief Karrer wanted to highlight the "white paper" that was in his report from Chino Valley. He also described what a valuable experience the Pinnacle Conference was. He stated that our EMS program is a model for the rest of the nation. Chief Karrer also discussed a new fire district that is being formed in the Sonoita-Elgin area. Chief Karrer also mentioned that AMR has acquired Rural/Metro. He stated he would like to see a partnership between private and public providers.

- Leadership Team Report – Vice President Howe presented the report to the Board. He stated that the BBQ Cook-off will be pushed back to December this year. He also said the union participated in a benefit concert for Rural/Metro Captain Eric Klein. It was a great success.
- Community Relations Report – Chief Karrer explained that Manager Braswell was at the Pima County Board of Supervisor's Meeting for the proclamation for Drowning Impact Awareness Month. However, her Board Report was presented to the Board.

B. Operation Chief's Report – Chief Brandhuber presented his report to the Board. He highlighted that Chief Hurguy has done an outstanding job in the role of EMS Battalion Chief. He touched on some of the things that are happening in the EMS Division. He



stated that graduation for the two new recruits is on September 14th. He also explained that Engineer Matt King will be moving to Training as the new Training Engineer.

- C. Administrative Services Chief's Report – Chief Abel presented his report to the Board. He explained the Administrative Services Board Report has been condensed from the previous report style; if there is anything that the Board would like to see back in the report, he would be happy to oblige. He also highlighted that he attended an accreditation class which provided a lot of great information.

- D. EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO A.R.S. §38-431.03.A(3) THE GOLDER RANCH FIRE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD MAY GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION OR LEGAL ADVICE WITH THE ATTORNEY OF THE PUBLIC BODY FOR MATTERS RELATING TO THE POSSIBLE EXPANSION OF THE GOLDER RANCH FIRE DISTRICT'S CURRENT CERTIFICATE OF NECESSITY (CON)

MOTION by Vice Chair Brady to enter into Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(3) for the purpose of discussion and legal advice with the attorney for matters related to the possible expansion of the GRFD's current CON at 9:53.

MOTION SECONDED by Clerk Dahl

MOTION CARRIED 5/0

Those in attendance of the Executive Session included the Golder Ranch Fire District Governing Board, Fire Chief Randy Karrer, Assistant Chief Pat Abel, Assistant Chief Tom Brandhuber, Legal Counsel Donna Aversa, and Board Services Manager Brooke Painter.

The Governing Board reconvened into Regular Session at 10:16 a.m. Board Chairperson Cox Golder reminded those in the Executive Session that all matters discussed in Executive Session are confidential pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(C).

- E. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE POSSIBLE EXPANSION OF THE GOLDER RANCH FIRE DISTRICT'S CURRENT CERTIFICATE OF NECESSITY (CON)

Chief Karrer explained that we [GRFD] are looking to work with our neighboring CON holders to streamline the ambulance response system, to work more collaboratively, and to clean up the current CON boundaries.

Board Member Hudgins stated that this expansion of the CON needs to be in line with our Strategic Plan. The Board and the Chief agreed.

MOTION by Board Member Clark to authorize the Fire Chief to move forward with negotiations for the expansion of the Golder Ranch Fire District's current Certificate of Necessity (CON), in line with our Strategic Plan, and authorizes Chief Karrer to sign necessary documents with DHS on behalf of the Board for the expansion of the current CON

MOTION SECONDED by Vice-Chair Brady

MOTION CARRIED 5/0

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

This provides an opportunity for the Board to direct staff to include items on future agendas for further consideration and decision at a later date or to further study the matter.



- September 8, 2015 – Regular Session
- Chief Karrer mentioned that he is still working out the details for the Strategic Plan – we may move it into early December

10. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No public issues were presented.

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Vice-Chair Brady to adjourn the meeting at 10:24 a.m.

MOTION SECONDED by Board Member Clark

MOTION CARRIED 5/0



David Dahl, Clerk of the Governing Board
Golder Ranch Fire District
b/p

