

**GOLDER RANCH FIRE DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES**

**Tuesday, February 14, 2017 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, February 14, 2017 at 9:02 a.m.

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

Staff Present: Fire Chief Randy Karrer, Assistant Chief Patrick Abel, Assistant Chief Tom Brandhuber, 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 from the Governing Board.

4. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

There were no public issues presented.

5. PRESENTATIONS

A. PRESENTATION FROM JAE DALE, CEO, ORO VALLEY HOSPITAL ON THE STATE OF HEALTH CARE

Chief Karrer introduced Mr. Jae Dale, CEO from the Oro Valley Hospital. He provided a presentation to the Governing Board on the state of health care. Mr. Dale answered questions from the Board. The power point presented will be part of the complete governing board meeting packet. Chief Karrer and the Board thanked Mr. Dale for presenting the information and for the continued relationship with the Oro Valley Hospital.

B. PRESENTATION OF PERSONNEL

- FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE – COLIN PORT, JOSE SAMANIEGO
- TWENTY YEARS OF SERVICE – JIM HANSEL
- PROMOTION – MICHAEL LESLIE

Colin Port was presented with a pin for five years of service. Michael Leslie was pinned with his badge for his recent promotion to Captain. Jose Samaniego and Jim Hansel were not in attendance.

The Board took a brief break at 9:48 a.m.; they reconvened at 9:52 a.m.



6. CONSENT AGENDA

A. APPROVE MINUTES – JANUARY 10, 2017 REGULAR SESSION

MOTION by Clerk Dahl to accept and approve item 6, the February 14, 2017 Consent Agenda

MOTION SECONDED by Vice Chair Brady

MOTION CARRIED 5/0

7. REGULAR BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE APPROVAL OF SECURING CONSULTING SERVICES FROM PRIMARY CONSULTING L.L.C. TO ASSIST IN DETERMINING THE FEASIBILITY OF A POTENTIAL BOND ELECTION

Chief Karrer introduced Mr. Paul Ulan, from Primary Consulting L.L.C. who presented a bond feasibility plan to the Governing Board. Chief Abel explained that there have been discussions about going out for a bond for some of the capital improvements items. Chief Karrer provided the Board with Mr. Ulan’s background. The power point presented by Mr. Ulan is part of the complete board meeting packet.

Chief Karrer explained that the Town of Oro Valley is also going to go out for an open space and capital projects bond, which could change the dynamics. Chief Karrer explained that there are some capital improvements outlined; however, we have to better define the needs by conducting a needs assessment.

Mr. Ulan and Chief Karrer answered questions from the Board about the elections process in two counties, who determines the amount of the bond and the needs of the Districts that will be covered by the bond. Chief Abel and Mr. Ulan answered Board Member Clark’s questions clarifying the fees presented in the packet.

Chief Karrer explained that it is the decision of the Governing Board to determine the right timing for going out for a bond; either this year’s election or wait until the 2018 election. He also answered questions from Board Member Hudgins about what kind of projects would be addressed in SaddleBrooke.

Donna Aversa, the District’s attorney explained that District personnel would still be taxed with providing factual information throughout the community about the bond. However, the PAC formed by the committee is the only one that can actually advocate for the bond.

MOTION by Board Member Hudgins to approve securing consulting services from Primary Consulting L.L.C. at an approximate cost, not to exceed \$21,000 to assist in determining the feasibility for a potential bond election for the Golder Ranch Fire District

MOTION SECONDED by Clerk Dahl

MOTION CARRIED 5/0



B. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NUMBER NINE TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR DISPATCH SERVICES BETWEEN NORTHWEST FIRE DISTRICT AND GOLDER RANCH FIRE DISTRICT

IT Manager Rascon explained that this agreement combines two different billing contracts with Level 3, ours and Northwest Fire Districts. We get more redundancy in coverage, increased connections at Stations 376 and 377, and a direct connection to the City of Tucson plus more, all at a lower cost.

MOTION by Board Clerk Dahl to approve amendment number nine to the intergovernmental agreement for dispatch services between Northwest Fire District and Golder Ranch Fire District as presented

MOTION SECONDED by Vice-Chair Brady

MOTION CARRIED 5/0

C. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE APPROVAL OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES BETWEEN GREEN VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT AND GOLDER RANCH FIRE DISTRICT

IT Manager Rascon explained that Green Valley Fire District uses all of the same systems for FireRMS and EPCR, but they are currently hosted by another agency. We [GRFD] have the capability to provide these services. The amount of resources needed is minimal to fulfill this agreement.

MOTION by Board Member Clark to approve the intergovernmental agreement for information technology between Green Valley Fire District and Golder Ranch Fire District as presented

MOTION SECONDED by Board Member Hudgins

MOTION CARRIED 5/0

D. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE APPROVAL OF A BASE HOSPITAL SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN ORO VALLEY HOSPITAL AND GOLDER RANCH FIRE DISTRICT

Deputy Chief Hurguy explained that the base hospital agreement allows us to remain compliant with Department of Health Services (DHS) for medical direction. The biggest change to the previous agreement is that they have changed to a fee for service model. Chief Karrer mentioned that we will continue to see these types of changes as the changes in healthcare continue, as Mr. Dale alluded to in his presentation.

MOTION by Board Member Clark to approve the base hospital service agreement between Oro Valley Hospital and Golder Ranch Fire District as presented

MOTION SECONDED by Clerk Dahl

MOTION CARRIED 5/0

E. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE GOVERNING BOARD'S SUPPORT AND COMMITMENT FOR AN APPLICATION OF THE STAFFING FOR ADEQUATE FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE (SAFER) GRANT



Chief Hurguy explained that there are a couple of structural changes to the SAFER grant; including that they needed a letter of support from the Board. He continued that we [GRFD] put in for seven new positions over a three year funding period. Golder Ranch Fire District would be responsible for 25%, 25%, and 65% of the cost share. Chief Hurguy stated that all awards will be issued by September, in response to a question by Clerk Dahl.

MOTION by Vice Chair Brady to support the application of the SAFER grant and to commit to maintain the staffing levels the grant would provide

MOTION SECONDED by Board Member Hudgins

MOTION CARRIED 5/0

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

Finance Manager Christian provided to the Board the monthly financials and reconciliation. There were no further questions or comments from the Governing Board.

MOTION by Clerk Dahl to approve and accept the Golder Ranch Fire District reconciliation and monthly financial report as presented

MOTION SECONDED by Board Member Clark

MOTION CARRIED 5/0

7. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Fire Chief's Report - Chief Karrer presented the Chief's Report to the Governing Board. He explained that we are still waiting to get the ladder truck. He is very frustrated, and stated that we will be compensated for the inconvenience.
- Leadership Team Report – President Lunde was not in attendance. Chief Karrer explained that the leadership team has started the MOU process.
 - Community Relations Report – Manager Braswell presented her report to the Board. There were no further questions or comments from the Board.
- B. Operation Chief's Report – Chief Hurguy presented the Operation Chief's report on behalf of Chief Brandhuber to the Board. There were no further comments or questions from the Board.
- C. Administrative Services Chief's Report – Chief Abel presented the Administrative Services report to the Board. He reminded the Board that there is a grand opening at Fire & Life Safety on February 28th. Chairperson Cox Golder asked if we could add names to the organizational chart; Chief Karrer stated he would send one with names to the Board. There were no further questions or comments.

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.

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10. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Fire Marshal Loesche mentioned that Phyllis Carnahan, one of our volunteers, lost her husband the day of the vehicle accident that he and Robina Shultz were involved in.

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Clerk Dahl to adjourn the meeting at 11:18 a.m.

MOTION SECONDED by Board Member Hudgins

MOTION CARRIED 5/0



David Dahl, Clerk of the Board
Golder Ranch Fire District
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