

**GOLDER RANCH FIRE DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES
Tuesday, December 12, 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, December 12, 2017 at 9:00 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 Tom Brandhuber, Executive Assistant Chief Cheryl Horvath, Community Relations Manager Anne Marie Braswell, Finance Manager Dave Christian, Local 3832 Vice-President William Howe, 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 made from the governing board members.

4. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

There were no public issues presented.

5. PRESENTATIONS

A. PRESENTATION FROM CATALINA CRUSADERS – DONATION TO LOCAL #3832 FOR SHOP WITH A FIREFIGHTER EVENT

The Catalina Crusaders raised money for the second annual "Shop with a Firefighter" event hosted by Local #3832. Chief Karrer and Chairperson Cox Golder accepted a monetary donation of \$12,000 on behalf of Ruth Dormanen and the Catalina Crusaders.

B. PRESENTATION OF THE FIRE CHIEF'S SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD TO STATION #373 C-SHIFT Captain Jeremy North, Engineer Kyle Rhein, Fire Medic Justin Flynn, Fire Medic Randy Scholey, Fire Medic Peter Paddock and Firefighter Ruben Figueroa were presented with the Fire Chief's Special Recognition Award for outstanding patient care that led to life being saved, especially handling the stress and pressure of providing care to Captain Alfred Valencia, a member of our Golder Ranch Fire District family.

C. PRESENTATION OF THE FIRE CHIEF'S SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD TO DEPUTY FIRE MARSHAL JENNIFER AKINS

Deputy Fire Marshal Jennifer Akins was presented with the Fire Chief's Special Recognition Award for going above and beyond and providing emergency care while off duty.



D. PRESENTATION OF PERSONNEL

- Abel Gastelum and William Howe were each presented with a pin for ten years of service.

The board took a brief break at 9:24 a.m. and reconvened at 9:26 a.m.

6. **CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. APPROVE MINUTES – NOVEMBER 14, 2017 REGULAR SESSION
- B. APPROVE MINUTES – NOVEMBER 14, 2017 EXECUTIVE SESSION
- C. APPROVE MINUTES – NOVEMBER 21, 2017 SPECIAL SESSION
- D. ADOPTION OF THE GOLDER RANCH FIRE DISTRICT'S REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2018

MOTION by Clerk Dahl to approve the December 12, 2017 Consent Agenda

MOTION SECONDED by Board Member Hudgins

MOTION CARRIED 4/0

7. **REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

- A. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT – Chief Karrer presented his report to the Governing Board. He added that the District has been very busy with a lot of public events through the holiday season. Chief Karrer stated that he and senior staff met and they have identified the need to expand the vision and philosophy of the District throughout the employees of the newly consolidated District. With that, a training led by Brandy Ferrer, will be provided to the leadership of the organization to focus on building relationships. Chairperson Cox Golder asked about the relationship issues, as well as, thanked the Wildland team for their responses to the California fires; the many thank you cards that were received (included in the Chief's report) were very touching. There were no further questions or comments from the Governing Board.
 - LEADERSHIP TEAM REPORT – President Lunde reported that the Union has been very busy; it is the time of the year. He thanked the Board for their support of the family Christmas party. He reported that the Shop with the Firefighter Event will be this Friday. The toys collected throughout the season go to needy families and foster children.
 - COMMUNITY RELATIONS REPORT – Community Relations Manager presented her report. She echoed the appreciation on behalf of our families for the Board's support of the family Christmas party.
- B. OPERATION CHIEF'S REPORT – Chief Brandhuber presented his report to the Governing Board. Chief Brandhuber also thanked the Board for the support of the family Christmas party. He stated that we made 13 job offers for academy recruits; however, they have opened it back up to get the other 6 they were looking for. He stated that we have two Wildland crews in California; they continue to check in and are doing well and safe. There were no further questions or comments from the Board.
- C. ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES CHIEF'S REPORT – Chief Abel presented the Administrative Services report to the Governing Board. He also thanked the Board for their support of the family Christmas party. He wanted to correct that the ambulance should be received after Christmas. ISO will be out to do a re-evaluation post consolidation on the 21st. He reported that Inspector Hurley has developed a program to spend more time in high risk buildings and less time in lower risk businesses. Chief Karrer reiterated that this program goes along with the community risk reduction idea that he has been talking about for several years. There were no further questions or comments from the Board.



- D. GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT CHIEF'S REPORT – Chief Horvath presented her report to the Governing Board. She also thanked the Board for the holiday party. There were no further questions or comments from the Board.

8. REGULAR BUSINESS

- A. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING NOMINATIONS FOR THE GOLDER RANCH FIRE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD POSITIONS OF CHAIRPERSON, VICE-CHAIRPERSON AND CLERK FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2018

MOTION by Board Member Hudgins to nominate Vicki Cox Golder as Chairperson of the Golder Ranch Fire District Governing Board

MOTION SECONDED by Clerk Dahl

MOTION CARRIED 4/0

MOTION by Chairperson Cox to nominate Richard Hudgins as Vice-Chairperson of the Golder Ranch Fire District Governing Board

MOTION SECONDED by Clerk Dahl

MOTION CARRIED 4/0

MOTION by Board Member Hudgins to nominate David Dahl as Clerk of the Golder Ranch Fire District Governing Board

MOTION SECONDED by Vice-Chair Brady

MOTION CARRIED 4/0

- B. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE APPOINTMENT OF A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE GOLDER RANCH FIRE DISTRICT'S GOVERNING BOARD TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM'S LOCAL PENSION BOARD

MOTION by Chairperson Cox Golder to appoint David Dahl as Chairperson of the Golder Ranch Fire District's Public Safety Personnel Retirement System Local Pension Board pursuant to A.R.S. §38-847(A)(3)

MOTION SECONDED by Vice-Chairperson Brady

MOTION CARRIED 4/0

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

Finance Manager Christian presented the monthly financials and reconciliation for Golder Ranch Fire District. Melissa Tomlinson presented the former Mountain Vista Fire District financials and reconciliation to the Board. She stated that the MVFD audit should be able to present it at the January Meeting. Chief Karrer wanted to thank Melissa Tomlinson and Gabe Budra for all of their help through the entire consolidation process. There were no further questions or comments from the Governing Board.

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

MOTION SECONDED by Clerk Dahl

MOTION CARRIED 4/0



D. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMISSION FOR THE GOLDER RANCH FIRE DISTRICT

Chief Horvath explained that creating an Emergency Services Commission would be very resource intensive; she believes that now is not the right time. She continued that the Golder Ranch Fire District (GRFD) staff has a strong working relationship with the Town of Oro Valley, Marana and the counties. The development of an emergency services commission to include this group of stakeholder is not necessary at this point. However, she would like to look at the possibility of getting citizens more involved, possibly through a less formal citizens' leadership academy. This idea will be discussed further in the upcoming strategic planning session. The Board would like to table this to discuss further at a later time.

NO MOTION NECESSARY FOR THIS AGENDA ITEM

E. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE ACCEPTANCE OF BOARD MEMBER MARK CLARK'S RESIGNATION

MOTION by Vice-Chair Brady to accept the resignation of Board Member Clark

MOTION SECONDED by Clerk Dahl

MOTION CARRIED 4/0

F. EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO A.R.S. §38-431.03.A(1) THE GOLDER RANCH FIRE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD MAY GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION OR CONSIDERATION OF AN APPOINTMENT OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OF A PUBLIC BODY

It was determined that there was no executive session needed for this agenda item.

G. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPOINTMENT OF AN INTERIM BOARD MEMBER TO FILL MARK CLARK'S POSITION FOR THE REMAINDER OF HIS TERM THROUGH DECEMBER 1, 2018

Chairperson Vicki Cox Golder stated that we had one member from the previous Mountain Vista Fire District (MVFD) who was interested in filling Mark Clark's position. There was one other person who showed interest; however, he withdrew from the process. Chairperson Cox Golder would like to stick with the direction that was previously agreed upon to include someone from the previous MVFD board and appoint Albert Pesqueira as the interim board member to fill the remainder of Mark Clark's term.

MOTION by Clerk Dahl to appoint Al Pesqueira to fill Mark Clark's position

MOTION SECONDED by Board Member Hudgins

MOTION CARRIED 4/0

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.

- January 9, 2018 Regular Board Meeting
- Start to establish dates for the strategic plan and budget meeting dates



10. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Attorney Donna Aversa wanted to comment that this was one of the best board meetings that she has been to in a long time, with a lot of positive and uplifting things going on. Board Member Hudgins wanted to wish everyone at the Golder Ranch Fire District a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Clerk Dahl to adjourn the meeting at 10:11 a.m.

MOTION SECONDED by Vice-Chair Brady

MOTION CARRIED 4/0



David Dahl, Clerk of the Board
Golder Ranch Fire District
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