



Drexel Heights Fire District

5950 S. Cardinal Avenue, Tucson, AZ 85746

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

February 26, 2021

In accordance with the social distancing guidelines recommended by state and local authorities relating to the COVID-19 pandemic, members of the Board may attend the meeting telephonically. The meeting room will be closed to the public. However, members of the public are invited to attend the meeting telephonically: Telephonic Participant Instructions: Dial-in number (978) 990-5000 and access code "667360 #"

I. Call to Order

Board Chair Bynum called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

Board Members present: Gary Bynum, James Bertrand, Laura Dailey, Douglas Fink and Charles Mendonca. With five Board Members attending, a quorum is established.

Staff Members present: Douglas Chappell, District Administrator & Fire Chief; Gabe Buldra, JVG (telephonically); Laurie Dunham, Finance Manager; Lisa Creager, HR Manager; and Dane Crouse, Logistics Chief.

IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 22, 2021 by Ms. Dailey, second by Mr. Mendonca, motion approved. (5-0)

V. Call to the Public – Comments and Questions

None

VI. Report from the Fire Chief

Chief Chappell provided a written report which hereby made a part of these minutes. Chief Chappell asked Ms. Dunham to introduce our new employee Jesus Pina who has joined the Administration.

VII. Pending Business

- A. Discussion and possible action to approve the checks issued listing and monthly financial report for the period ending January 31, 2021.

Ms. Dailey asked who Progressive Services is? Chief Chappell reported that they are the roofing contractor who has been working at several of the stations.

Motion to approve the checks issued listing and monthly financial report for the period ending January 31, 2021 by Mr. Bertrand, second by Ms. Dailey, motion approved. (5-0)

- B. Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution 2021 – 03, which authorizes the Board Chair and Clerk to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with Pima County for Computer System Hosting and Technical Support for the Valley Emergency Communications Center. Chief Chappell reported that the computer network that the VECC utilizes at the dispatch center falls under the control of the Pima County IT Department, and the current IGA with Pima County has expired.

Move to adopt Resolution 2021 – 03, which authorizes the Board Chair and Clerk to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with Pima County by Mr. Bynum, second by Mr. Bertrand, motion approved. (5-0)

- C. Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution 2021 – 04, which authorizes the Board Chair and Clerk to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with Pima County for immunization programs. Chief Chappell indicated that Pima County and the District had discussed providing immunizations, specifically COVID vaccines and that this agreement provides for the County to reimburse the District for personnel who participate in the immunization programs.

Motion to adopt Resolution 2021 – 04, which authorizes the Board Chair and Clerk to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with Pima County for immunization programs by Mr. Bynum, second by Mr. Bertrand, motion approved. (5-0)

VIII. Future Agenda Items

Chief Chappell reported that he expects to have the first draft of the FY 2022 budget for review and we expect to have a new IGA with PCWIN for support and services of the radios.

IX. Adjournment

Move to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Bynum, second by Mr. Bertrand, motion approved. (5-0) Mr. Bynum adjourned the meeting at 9:11 .am.

Submitted by: _____
James Bertrand, Clerk of the Board

Next Scheduled Meeting: Friday, March 26, 2021, 9:00 a.m.
5950 S. Cardinal, Tucson, AZ