



SUNSTITES-PEARCE FIRE DISTRICT

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Sunsites-Pearce Fire District Governing Board of Directors Meeting February 21, 2012

I. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by Chairman Robert Fino.

II. Roll Call – Board Members present were:

Chairman Robert Fino
Clerk William McCarter
Member Candace Roll
Member Rebel Jones

There were no conflicts of interest to declare.

III. Interim Chief Petersen led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Consent Agenda – There were no minutes to approve from prior meetings.

V. Reports

A. Interim Chief Petersen presented the Chief's Report and answered questions.

Action Item: Mr. Jones said the person who wrote the grant for the tower on Riggs Mt. told him that the Fire Department was given ownership of the land it sits on. The Board asked Mr. Petersen to research it and let them know.

Action Item: Dedication of the heliport will be held Friday, February 24th. Mr. Fino will get an agenda posted so that Board Members may attend.

B. Sherry Evertson presented the Financial Reports and answered questions.

Action Item: The Board asked that copies of the credit card statements be provided with the financial reports from now on.

VI. Old Business

A. Captain Steinberg made a presentation to the Board on the factors involved with moving from the Arizona State Retirement System to the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System. Discussion followed.

Action Item: the Board asked Mr. Petersen to confirm that the Volunteer Relief Pension fund can be used to buy down the unfunded liability balance we would have with PSPRS.

Motion: Mr. Fino moved to have staff find out from PSPRS if they are able to recalculate the District costs for PSPRS if we paid down the unfunded liability by



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50% to 100% in increments of 10% and how long it would take them to provide us with the information.

Ms. Roll seconded. Vote: All members in favor. Motion carried.

B. Mr. Petersen presented a form to be used for District Credit cards.

Action Item: Mr. Fino said he will send it to the attorney tomorrow for opinion.

C. District website was discussed.

Motion: Mr. McCarter moved that we cancel our current website and create and maintain a new website for the district in-house within 60 days.

Mr. Fino seconded. Vote: All members in favor. Motion carried.

VII. New Business

A. Candidates and selection process for hiring new Chief was discussed.

Motion: Mr. Fino moved that the Board hold a special meeting on Monday, February 27th, to determine contract, salary and selection process for the new Chief. Ms. Roll seconded. Vote: all in favor. Motion carried.

B. Item #D from agenda. Mr. Petersen presented a Volunteer Compensation Plan to the Board. Copy attached. Discussion followed.

Motion: Mr. McCarter moved that the Board approve the presented Volunteer Compensation Plan in order to bring the volunteer program back to the District as long as we meet legal parameters. Mr. Jones seconded. Vote: all in favor. Motion carried.

C. Item #E from agenda. Mr. Steinburg presented information to the Board regarding the firefighters membership in the Bisbee Firefighters Union IAFF Local 2146. Discussion followed.

VIII. Call to Public

A. Mr. Steinberg suggested that the Board consider having Chiefs of local Districts sit on the interview panel for hiring the new Chief.

IX. Adjourn – Due to the late hour, Mr. Fino tabled the remaining items on the agenda. He adjourned the meeting at 7:44 pm.

Respectfully submitted
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