

YARNELL FIRE DISTRICT
FIRE BOARD MINUTES, REGULAR SESSION

April 18, 2016

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Arlon Rice called the meeting to order at 10 AM.

2. Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call of Board Members:

Present were Chair Arlon Rice, Treasurer Richard Mayer, Secretary Carole Ryan. Chief Ben Palm. Members at Large: Donna Gordon, Kevin O'Donnell. Denise Roggio, Safer Administrator.

In attendance: Wendy Amos

3. Approval of Draft Minutes:

A. Richard made a motion to accept the minutes for the March 21, 2016 executive session. Arlon seconded. Motion carried by all

B. Kevin made a motion to accept the minutes of the March 21, 2016 regular session. Richard seconded. Motion carried by all.

C. Richard made a motion to accept the minutes of the March 24, 2016 special session. Kevin seconded. Motion carried by all.

4. Reports and Correspondence:

A. **Chairman's Report:** Arlon discussed Yarnell Days and the Annual YFD Memorial Run.

B. **Secretary's Report:** none

C. **Treasurer's Report:** (See attached)

Richard presented: Profit and Loss, Budget vs Actual and Reconciliation Summaries through March 31, 2016.

General Fund: \$6,336.84

Donations and Grants: \$ 36,991.95

Capital Reserve Fund : \$ 1,413.38

Pension and Relief Fund : \$ 23,640.52

Yarnell Training Center : \$ 1,228.55 This is non-tax related money from our EMT classes.

Wildland Fire: \$ 323.88

We will receive our final income from the county in June.

Carole made a motion to accept this Treasurer's Report as stated. Kevin seconded. Motion carried by all.

D. **Chief's Report:** (See Attached) Chief has sent a proposal of \$22,000 to the state for equipment needed for emergencies on the memorial trail to the top of the hill. This is a strenuous 3 mile hike. Many potential safety issues. Intense ropes program education for this will begin next week for a 5 day period.

E. **Safer Grant Report:** (See attached). Denise Roggio presented this information. Remaining available money for year three is \$139,019. 3% has been used so far.

5. OLD BUSINESS:

A. This discussion was tabled until another meeting when we will know what the Wickenburg Hospital has decided.

6. NEW BUSINESS :

A. Richard made a motion to adopt the YFD modified budget of \$146,411 related to tax revenue; \$ 135,688 non-property tax income, for a total budget of \$204,411 for 2016/2017. Arlon seconded. Motion carried by all. (See Attached.)

This will be published for public inspection on our website as well as in front of the Administration Building. The public hearing for this will occur at our next regular meeting on May 23, 2016.

B. Denise Roggio presented her list of 4 new grant projects which she has submitted. (See Attached)

C. Wendy Amos discussed the potential new water rate structure and the fact that people are apparently taking water from the fire hydrants. This can cause expensive damage to the hydrants, as well as the theft of water issue. As a result, some hydrants in remote locations will be locked. YFD has the key.

The Corporation Commission will make the final decision on rate changes. There will be a discussion regarding this at the Community Center on May 21.

D. Richard made a motion to change Nina Bour-Beau from a consultant position to that of an employee. Carole seconded. Motion carried by all. This will not result in a budget change.

E. The March payment for the Admin Building has been made with the first property sale of the donated land. When we get the check for the sale of the second piece of donated property, this will be used to make the final payment for the Admin. Building.

7. Call to the Public. No speakers.

8. ADJOURNMENT: 12:03 PM

The next regular meeting will be May 23, 2016 at the Admin. Building. .

Respectfully Submitted,

Carole Ryan, YFB Sec'y