

YARNELL FIRE DISTRICT

**FIRE BOARD MINUTES, REGULAR SESSION October 19 ,2020**

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Arlon Rice called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM

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

Present were Chair Arlon Rice, Treasurer Richard Mayer, Secretary Carole Ryan. Members at Large: Donna Gordon, Dale Lund. Chief Jeff Shearer. Grant Specialist/Safer Grant Manager Denise Roggio.

**3. Approval of Draft Minutes:**

A. Richard made a motion to approve the minutes for the YFD Regular Session of Sept 21, 2020 . Dale seconded. Motion carried by all.

**4. Reports and Correspondence:**

A. Chairman's Report: (none)

B. Secretary's Report: (none)

C. Treasurer's Reports: (See attached)

Period ending September 30, 2020

General Fund: \$ 945.01 ;Capital Reserve: \$573.05 ;Donations and Grants: \$8,297.53

Pension and Relief: \$ 15,501.16 Yarnell Shuttle: \$5,077.38 Training Center: \$6,356.74

Wildland Fires: \$16,356.74

Carole made a motion to accept this treasurer's report as reported. Arlon seconded. Motion carried by all. (See attached)

6 transfers : 2 for Sept.; 4 for October- up to October 15, 2020 (See attached) Carole made a motion to approve these 6 transfers. Arlon seconded. Motion carried by all.

**D. Chief's Report:** (See Attached) Report presented by Denise, then Chief who had been out on a call. Devin and Brittany have been out with our ambulance for two 21 days stretches for CA wildfires. We have hired 2 new out- of -district volunteers. Our cadet program has resumed. We will be putting on classes for EMS Training, T-419 training and EVOC prep training.

CPR Class on Oct 21 is open for all for \$35.00 by the Chief.

We have purchased an additional shuttle for back up as is required per state contract. Cost- \$8,000.

Generator from USDA grant has been installed. Waiting for concrete match ramp plan.

13 calls in service in Sept. Includes 2 truck fires

**E. Grant Report and Safer Report by Denise Roggio** (see attached) Completed 2<sup>nd</sup> year of 4 year Safer Grant. We have so far utilized 38% of the total. Denise has plans for use of the remaining 12% in the very near future.

Grants: One grant- FEMA- still in process. Seven grants awarded this year. AZDFFM grant was used for Model Creek area and Wilhoit area brush clearing earlier this year. Denise will apply for the next one- to be used in the Yarnell area.

#### **4. OLD BUSINESS:**

**A.** We have requested termination of our YWIA Mutual Agreement of several years ago (with an entirely different YWIA Board) . YWIA has stated that they will not do this. We have paid \$1500 to YWIA for the uninsured Rosewood Fire water use. They originally billed us \$6000 – of taxpayer money-for this with no proof of amount of water actually used. They have now received billing for interest on unpaid portion .

Yarnell and Wilhoit seem to be the only fire depts in the state that are billed for water by their water companies. We have requested a meeting with the YWIA Board, but have had no response.

We are charged Bulk Rate which is the highest water charge rating .

Arlon and Dale will draft a letter to the YWIA Board again requesting a meeting with us . Richard made a motion to draft and send this letter to YWIA. Carole seconded. Motion carried by all.

**B:** Dale had no access to the last Weaver Mountain Health Initiative meeting. He ended up listening on someone else's speaker phone. Also no contact from them with our Chief after the meeting. We are cooperating with their requests.

#### **5. NEW BUSINESS :**

**A.** We ended up getting more money from tax revenue than projected by the county , so our budget was incorrect by about \$5000. Richard made a motion to accept the new revised amount provided by the county for the 2020/2021 resulting in modification of our budget. Dale seconded. Motion carried by all.

**6. Call to the Public** : Bob Banning and Bob King present. Questions asked during the course of the meeting.

Adjournment at 11:50AM.

Our next regular meeting will be November 16, 2020

Respectively submitted : Carole Ryan, YFD Sec'y

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