

**YARNELL FIRE DISTRICT**  
**FIRE BOARD MINUTES, REGULAR SESSION**

**March 21, 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: Dennis Dowling, Constable, Bagdad Yarnell Justice precinct. Deb Pettit, Massage by Deb, Therapeutic Massage.

**3. Approval of Draft Minutes:**

A. Richard made a motion to accept the minutes for the regular February 22, 2016 session. Kevin seconded. Motion carried by all

B. Richard made a motion to accept the minutes of the March 7, 2016 special session. Kevin seconded. Motion carried by all.

C. Richard made a motion to accept the minutes of the March 7, 2016 executive session. Arlon seconded. Motion carried by all.

**4. Reports and Correspondence:**

A. **Chairman's Report:** Arlon read a letter from the YHRG regarding acceptance of the land donation of the Yarnell Hill Memorial Park property at 22556 State Route 89, Yarnell, from YFD as of March 13, 2016. (See attached.) He also read a letter that he wrote to the Yarnell Water Co-op indicating our support for the Main Valve installation as this will allow us to regulate water flow in case of a fire. (See Attached).

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

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

Richard presented: Profit and Loss, Budget vs Actual and Reconciliation Summaries through February 29, 2016

General Fund: \$6,587.71

Donations and Grants: \$6,454.53

Capital Reserve Fund : \$ 1,405.52

Pension and Relief Fund : \$26,415.21

Yarnell Training Center : \$1,827.01 This is non-tax related money from our EMT classes.

Wildland Fire: \$1,323.34

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

D. **Chief's Report:** (See Attached) The Chief reported that there are 50 cleared acres and also another 30 acres chain sawed by the fuel abatement team. They will end up with a total of 90-95 acres cleared. We received a plaque for our support of the 2016 Swift Charities Motorcycle Rally for breast cancer. Donations from this were given to The Yarnell Community Center.

The chief also provided an evaluation of YFD first quarter accomplishments based on goals published in the January 2016 plan.(See Attached.)

E. **Safer Grant Report:** (See attached).This indicates balances carried over from year 2 when year 3 began on March 17, 2016. The inclusive total available for year three will be \$143,519.

#### **5. OLD BUSINESS:**

A. a. Richard made a motion to go into Executive Session at 11:32AM. Carole seconded. Motion carried by all.

b. We returned to regular session at 11:51PM.

B. There were no new materials to discuss related to the budget. We will continue this discussion with possible approval to post at our next Regular Meeting on April 18, 2016.

#### **6. NEW BUSINESS :**

A. Richard made a motion to renew our contract with High Desert Realty for another year. Kevin seconded. Motion carried by all.

Carole made a motion to renew our listing of the two 40 acres tracts in Juniper Woods. Richard seconded. Motion carried by all.

We are allowing the Chief to proceed with possible sales per previous Board approval.

B. Debra Pettit requested use of a room in the medical part of the Admin Building to use for her Therapeutic Massage business 2-4 days /week in the AM hours. Arlon will check the AZ Revised Statutes to make sure that this is legal. We will return to this subject at our next Regular Meeting on April 18, 2016.

Debra attended this meeting and explained her business needs.

C. Regarding the Emergency Base Station Agreement Contract, Richard made a motion to change from Del Webb to Wickenburg Hospital. Carole seconded. Motion carried by all.(See Attached) We will be providing post hospitalization check-up(s) in Yarnell for specific medical situations to help reduce needless readmits. Also we will be able to renew our drug box stock from them, which will be closer for us.

D. Carole made a motion to approve the four new grant applications that Denise has completed. Richard seconded. Motion carried by all. (See Attached.)

E. Carole made a motion to approve our Copper Point Workman's Compensation Renewal including a

resolution regarding premium payments /benefits of \$1435/month for volunteer firefighters. Arlon seconded. Motion carried by all.

**7. Call to the Public**

Dennis Dowling, after attendance at this meeting, stated that he can see that we do a wonderful service to our community.

**8. ADJOURNMENT: 11:35 AM**

The next regular meeting will be April 18, 2016 at the Admin. Building. .

Respectfully Submitted,

Carole Ryan, YFB Sec'y