



MINUTES OF THE PARKER FIRE DEPARTMENT DISTRICT FIRE BOARD

03/13/24-Open Meeting Minutes to be approved at the open public meeting on Wednesday April 10, 2024. An Open Meeting of the Parker Fire Board convened on March 13, 2024, at the Parker Fire District, located at 1101 W. Arizona Ave, Parker, AZ., 85344 that convened at 5:36pm. The following matters were discussed at the Open Meeting.

Agenda Open Meeting

1. Open Meeting/Roll Call. 5:38 pm
Roll Call:
Members Present: *Chairman Samantha Anderson, Board Members Amanda Weatherford, Ron Simms, and Estevan Diarte.*
Personnel: *Chief Brian McMahan, Barbara Cole, Angie DeLeon, J. Wolfe, T. Kowalski, M. Terriquez, C. Rather, T Irwin, J. Anderson, J. Thurman, A. DeLeon, B. McConnell, J. Maxwell, and J. Weatherford.*
Public: *Public that were present were family and friends for the Badge pinning ceremony.*
2. (Ceremonial): Badge pinning for Firefighters Armando DeLeon & Brandon McConnell.
Chief McMahan spoke about the tradition of the badge pinning ceremony when Firefighters come off of probation, each firefighter can have anyone they choose to have the honor of pinning the badge, of which Armando DeLeon, chose his girlfriend, and Brandon McConnell chose his fiancé and Dad for the honors.
3. **(Call the Public.** Consideration and discussion of comments from the public. *Those wishing to address the Parker Fire District Board need not request permission in advance Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01(H), the Fire District Board is not permitted to discuss or take an action on any item raised in the call to the public that is not specifically identified on the Agenda. However, individual Board members may be permitted to respond to criticism directed at them. Otherwise, the Board may direct that staff review the matter or ask that the matter be placed on a future agenda. Public input is limited to two (2) minutes unless a greater amount of time is approved by the Board. **The Fire District Board cannot discuss or take legal action on any issue raised during the Call to the Public that is not on the current Agenda; due to restrictions of the Open Meeting Law.***
4. **Consent Agenda:** Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Consent Agenda Bill- 24-50 to approve the following:
a: Minutes submitted for Open Meeting held on 02/14/2024.
b: Acceptance of monthly expense reports for 02/1/2024 – 02/29/2024.
A motion was made by Ron Simms to approve Consent Agenda Bill 24-50, for the minutes submitted for the Open Meeting as written that were held on 02/14/24 & the monthly expenses for 02/01/2024-02/29/2024, along with a second from Amanda Weatherford.
Ayes: Simms, Anderson, Weatherford. And Diarte.
Nayes:
Absent:

Abstain:

Chairman Samantha Anderson: Motion passed by a unanimous vote on agenda item #4.

5. (Discussion & Possible Action): Board recognition of resignation letter from current Board member Josh Philipps.

A motion was made by Amanda Weatherford to accept the resignation letter from current Board member Josh Philipps along with a second from Estevan Diarte.

Ayes: Simms, Anderson, Weatherford, and Diarte.

Nayes:

Absent:

Abstain:

Chairman Samantha Anderson: Motion passed by a unanimous vote on agenda item #5.

6. (Discussion & Possible Action): Possible action to fill the vacant position on the Fire Board.

A motion was made by Estevan Diarte to accept the letter of interest for the vacant position on the fire board from Allayzia Foster along with a second from Amanda Weatherford.

Ayes: Simms, Anderson, Weatherford, and Diarte.

Nayes:

Absent:

Abstain:

Chairman Samantha Anderson: Motion passed by a unanimous vote on agenda item #6.

7. (Discussion & Possible Action) regarding 2024-2025 Budget proposal.

There was discussion on the budget proposal for FY 2024-2025, no other action necessary.

8. Chairman's Report:

a: Ask Board Members for ***items to be considered for inclusion on the next agenda.***

b. Schedule the next Regular Session. *April 10, 2024.*

Chairman Samantha Anderson had nothing to report.

9. Fire Chief's Report:

a: Summary of Incident Report/Activity Log

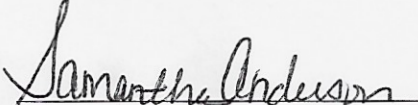
b: Monthly Activities

c: Parker South

Chief McMahan reported that they have spent the last 3 weeks writing grants. Chief McMahan reported that the grants that they applied for are the Arizona Department of Homeland Security grant for \$78,000 for the generator, the DFFM Ventilation system grant for \$106,000 and the Assistance to Firefighter for the ventilation grant in the amount of \$100,000. Chief McMahan reported that they applied for a regional grant with Bouse Fire for CPR assistance. Chief McMahan reported that they applied for a \$50,000 grant to replace the broken cot in the rescue and that they catch is that we will have to go to Bouse to transport patients if they can't get a helicopter or an ambulance to respond. Chief McMahan reported that they are applying for a joint grant with Buckskin Fire, Ehrenberg Fire, Bouse Fire and Crit Fire to buy 4 new compressors. One compressor will go to Parker, one to Ehrenberg and two will go to CRIT. Chief McMahan reported that the SAFER grants opened up on Monday for staffing. Chief McMahan reported that he would like to hire 2 people per shift, which would make for 3 full time people and 1 POC. Chief McMahan reported that this would allow them to staff for 2 years. Chief McMahan reported that they will be applying for the SAFER retention and recruiting grant. Chief McMahan reported that with the SAFER grant they can do recruiting and retention and that the Buckskin staff and Parker staff will be doing the training. Chief McMahan also reported that the SAFER grant will buy them \$4,000 in bunking gear. Chief McMahan reported

that the fire prevention grants opened up on Monday. Chief McMahan reported that Chase Rather was awarded the Firefighter of the year award. Chief McMahan reported that Timber Mesa in Show Low offers mental health and wellness screenings. Chief McMahan reported that they offer \$2,200 cancer screenings for \$300 apiece and that they do the baseline screening every 2 years. Chief McMahan reported that when they applied for the Arizona Department of Homeland Security grant that they committed \$20,000 to match the \$78,000 grant. Chief McMahan reported that he sent Nora Yackley an email to set up a joint meeting regarding the IGA agreement for Parker South.

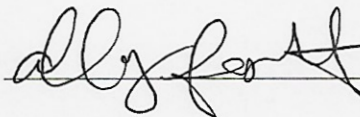
10. Adjourn. 6:47 pm


Samantha Anderson, Chairman

Date: 4/10/24

Angie DeLeon
Administrative Assistant

Date: 03/14/2024

Minutes approved by:  Date: 4/10/2024

Minutes approved by:  Date: 04/10/2024

PERSONS WITH A DISABILITY MAY REQUEST A REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION BY CONTACTING, BRIAN MCMAHAN, FIRE CHIEF OF PARKER FIRE DISTRICT (928) 667-3321 PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED MEETING. FACILITIES ARE HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE