

## MINUTES OF THE PARKER FIRE DEPARTMENT DISTRICT FIRE BOARD

04/10/24-Open Meeting Minutes to be approved at the open public meeting on Wednesday May 15, 2024. An Open Meeting of the Parker Fire Board convened on April 10, 2024, at the Parker Fire District, located at 1101 W. Arizona Ave, Parker, AZ., 85344 that convened at 5:36 pm. The following matters were discussed at the Open Meeting.

## Agenda Open Meeting

- Open Meeting/Roll Call. 5:41 pm Roll Call: Members Present: Chairman Samantha Anderson, Ron Simms, Estevan Diarte & Allayzia Foster. Personnel: Chief Brian McMahan, Barbara Cole, Angie DeLeon, Z. Rider, E. Foster, J. Holley, C. Rather, A. DeLeon, B. McConnell, J. Maxwell, and J. Weatherford. Public: Roxanne Stansberry, Harriet McLearen, and William Pennington.
- 2. (Discussion & Possible Action) Auditing Firm Saunders & Saunders to call in, to go over the FYE 2023, audit.
  The auditor from the Auditing Firm Saunders & Saunders gave a verbal report with a clean audit for the FYE 2023. There were no questions or comments regarding the audit.
- 3. (Ceremonial): Badge pinning for Firefighter Jacob Holley. Chief McMahan pre-empted the ceremony of the reason for the pinning, when a firefighter comes off probationary status, along with the reading of the oath of office. Firefighter Holley had his girlfriend, Roxanne, did the honor of pinning the badge on Firefighter Holley.
- 4. (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.

5. **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 03/13/2024. b: Acceptance of monthly expense reports for 03/01/2024 – 03/31/2024 A motion was made by Ron Simms to approve Consent Agenda Bill 24-51, for the minutes submitted for the Open Meeting held on 03/13/24, as written and to approve the monthly expense reports, along with a second from Allayzia Foster. Ayes: Simms, Anderson, Foster & Diarte. Nayes: Absent: Absent: Chairman Samantha Anderson: Motion passed by a unanimous vote on agenda item #5.

## 6. (Discussion & Possible Action): Regarding 2024-2025 Budget Proposal.

The Parker Fire Board approved the 2024/2025 budget for posting for public hearing. The new budget will include a 4% COLA for the full and part-time employees. An additional \$1 per hour raise for all POC's and an additional \$1 per hour for the AEMT certification. It also includes a \$10 increase per pay period for the PHEP program and will increase the POC shifts to 12 hours per day,7 days per week. All these increases will go into effect on July 1st. A motion was made by Ron Simms to approve the 2024-2025 Budget Proposal for public posting along with a second from Allayzia Foster. Ayes: Simms, Anderson, Foster, and Diarte. Nayes: Absent: Absent: Chairman Samantha Anderson: Motion passed by a unanimous vote on agenda item #6.

7. Chairman's Report:

a: Ask Board Members for *items to be considered for inclusion on the next agenda*.
b. Schedule the next Regular Session. *May 15, 2024, nothing else to report at this time.*

## 8. Fire Chief's Report:

a: Summary of Incident Report/Activity Logb: Monthly Activitiesc: Parker South

Chief McMahan reported that the new 2024-2025 budget will include a 4% COLA for the full and part-time employees. An additional \$1 per hour raise for all POC's and an additional \$1 per hour for the AEMT certification. It also includes a \$10 increase per pay period for the PHEP program and will increase the POC shifts to 12 hours per day, 7 days per week. All these increases will go into effect on July 1st. Chief McMahan reported that his last day with Buckskin Fire will be May 4<sup>th</sup> and that he will start with Parker Fire as a POC on May 5<sup>th</sup>. Chief McMahan reported that he met with Nora Yackley a week ago about Parker South and she told him that Barbara and Amy are still working on it. Chief McMahan stated that we were going to stop responding to Parker South on January 29th but sent a letter out extending it for another 60 days. Chief McMahan reported he attended two JPA meetings and said we would need 1.7 million dollars to continue functioning as we do today. Chief McMahan reported that he is applying for the SAFER grant to hire 5 more firefighters, and one POC to work 24 hours per day. 9. Adjourn. 6:57 pm

Samantha Anderson, Chairman

Date: 51524

Angie DeLeon Administrative Assistant Date: 04/11/2024

15/2024 \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 05 Minutes approved by:

Minutes approved by:

Date: 5.15.24

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