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Green Valley Fire District Board of Directors Meeting Headquarters/Training Center 1285 W Camino Encanto, Green Valley, AZ February 15, 2017

Special Board Meeting

CALL TO ORDER/ ROLL CALL: Chairperson, Mikel Shilling called the Special Board Meeting to order at 0828 hours. Members of the Board present included: Chair Mikel Shilling, Board Clerk Mr. Tom Allen and Mr. Bill Katzel. Harry Smith was absent. See attached sign-in sheets for Green Valley Fire District staff, Green Valley Fire Corps, and members of the public present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mr. Katzel led members of the staff and the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: Chairperson Shilling addressed Mr. Mike Fox, who was present and assisted Chief Wunder later in the meeting during the P.S.P.R.S. portion of the District Planning discussion due to his position on the Pension Board.

I. NEW BUSINESS – Chair, Mikel Shilling

- 1. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Election of a New Board of Directors Member** - Chairperson Shilling gave a brief overview of the selection process, mentioning GVFD had 8 applicants, however one withdrew. There were interviews of three qualified applicants, with Ms. Nancy Schuster being one. The interview panel was impressed with her background as an FBI agent as well as her other qualifications and selected her as the newest Board of Directors Member. Mr. Allen made a motion to vote on the appointment. Mr. Katzel seconded. A vote was taken and passed with all in favor. (3-0).
- 2. Swearing in of Newly Elected Board Member** – After the vote was complete, Ms. Shuster completed her Oath of Office, which was administered by Chairperson Shilling. She then joined the Board of Directors for the remainder of the meeting.
- 3. Discussion and District Planning** - Fire Chief Chuck Wunder –
 - a. Overview** - Chief Wunder gave an introduction to his PowerPoint presentation which would be covering several topics, outlined below in

greater detail. He introduced Ms. Schuster to Mr. Mike Fox from the pension board, who would be assisting with the presentation.

b. P.S.P.R.S. – Chief Wunder’s PowerPoint presentation focused on P.S.P.R.S. He briefly explained the changing of the contribution rates with regard to the Hall decision, and spoke to the Board about Proposition 124, Senate Bill 1428, as well as potential changes to the amortization period. He also spoke about how and when these changes will go into effect, which is July 1, 2017. Chief Wunder and Mr. Fox gave an explanation regarding unfunded liability to the Board, as well as the importance of long term future planning regarding unfunded liabilities. Chief Wunder provided the Board with estimated costs on the financial impact these changes will have on GVFD’s upcoming budget.

c. Strategic Guideline – Chief Wunder spoke about the importance of the Strategic Guideline project. He provided the Board with a draft, courtesy of Mr. Allen and Battalion Chief Modrzejewski, who are working on this project together. The most critical point stressed is this is a living document, which will be updated and reviewed annually. It shall be a planning guideline, not a policy manual, with the understanding that priorities of the District may change. The Board was asked to provide input back to Mr. Allen by March 9, with the hopes to be able to approve the document at the March board meeting.

d. Health Insurance – Chief Wunder briefed the Board on the status of the Health Insurance renewal meetings, which have been underway. There is a proposed increase which will cause substantial increases for the District and its employees, therefore management is looking into options to reduce costs. This will be a factor in upcoming Budget Workshop meetings.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS- none

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Second Annual Pickleball Tournament: February 17, 2017, at 8:00 A.M at the Quail Creek Country Club, 2055 E Quail Crossing Blvd, Green Valley.

Board Budget Workshop Meeting: March 1, 2017, at 8:30 A.M. at the Green Valley Fire District Headquarters/Training Center.

Retiree Breakfast: March 3, 2017, at 8:30 A.M. at Station 151, 250 N. La Canada Dr.

Second Annual Firefighter Ball: March 11, 2017, at 5:00 P.M., at the Madera Clubhouse, 2055 E. Quail Crossing Blvd, Green Valley.

Next Regular Board Meeting: February 22, at 9:00 A.M. at the Green Valley Fire District Headquarters/Training Center.

ADJOURN SPECIAL BOARD MEETING: Mrs. Shilling adjourned as of 1010 hours.

Respectfully Submitted by:



Tom Allen, Board Clerk
Green Valley Fire District