

## MINUTES

### AVRA VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT

### REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS



**Meeting Date:** Thursday, December 17, 2020  
**Meeting Time:** 4:00 PM  
**Location:** 21021 E. Homestead Drive, Red Rock, AZ 85145

#### RECORDING ON.

- 1) **Call To Order** Chairman Castaneda called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.
- 2) **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America**
- 3) **Roll Call and Confirmation of a Quorum** In Attendance:

Chairman Castaneda, Jr  
Vice-Chairman Bauer  
Clerk Neilson  
Director Armendarez (absent/excused)  
Director Haffner

Chief Delfs  
Assistant Chief Klein  
Lorrie Palmquist (present by phone)  
Counsel Wencker (present by phone)

- 4) **Recognition of Personnel** NONE
- 5) **Call To The Public** NONE
- 6) **Announcements, Current Events & Correspondence** NONE

#### 7) The Swearing-In of Re-Elected Board Members

*The Honorable Vince Roberts, Pima County Justice of the Peace - Precinct 10 will swear in our re-elected Board members.*

Chief Delfs introduced Honorable Vince Roberts. Justice Roberts swore in Chairman Castaneda and Vice-Chairman Bauer.

#### 8) Review, Discussion and possible Action to elect Officers of the Avra Valley Fire Board of Directors

Vice-Chair Bauer motioned to nominate Luis Castaneda for Chairman of the Board. Director Haffner seconded. Mr. Castaneda accepted the nomination. There were no other nominations for Chairman of the Board. *Motion carried unanimously, 4:0.* Mr. Castaneda will remain as Chairman of the Board.

Clerk Neilson nominated Sara Bauer for Vice-Chairman of the Board. Director Haffner seconded. Ms. Bauer accepted the nomination. There were no other nominations for Vice-Chairman of the Board. *Motion carried unanimously, 4:0.* Ms. Bauer will remain as Vice-Chairman of the Board.

Vice-Chairman Bauer nominated Eric Neilson for Clerk of the Board. Director Haffner seconded. Mr. Neilson accepted the nomination. There were no other nominations for Clerk of the Board. *Motion carried unanimously, 4:0.* Mr. Neilson will remain as Clerk of the Board.

9) Review, Discussion and possible Action regarding the following items for consent:

*A consent agenda allows the Board to approve several items simultaneously without the need to file separate motions for each item. Items are usually believed to be non-controversial and do not require further explanation. Any Board Member may ask that an item be removed from the consent calendar and considered separately.*

- *Minutes from the regular meeting held November 19, 2020*

Vice-Chairman Bauer motioned to approve the consent agenda. Director Haffner seconded.

*Motion carried unanimously, 4:0.*

10) **Chief's Report**

*The Fire Chief may update the Board on items of interest relating to but not limited to the following: Response times, vehicles, facilities, labor relations, personnel, finance, grants, communications and/or training. Alternatively, the Fire Chief may provide written comments in the Board Member's packets or by email. The Board Members may ask clarifying questions and they may direct the Chief to place items on future agendas for further discussion or action.*

The Chief highlighted the following items from his report:

- For the 15 newly hired FF begin January 4, turnouts will be purchased once they are actually on board.
- We have 2 individuals out on medical leave right now.
- We were notified today that the PSPRS rates will go up 1.1% for Tier 2 and 2.5% for Tier 3
- Just a reminder that 33% of the voter-approved excise tax for marijuana sales has been designated for fire districts.

11) Review, Discussion and possible Action to approve the November 2020 Financial Reports and authorize the Chairman and Clerk to sign the *Certificate of Review*.

Chairman Castaneda motioned to approve the November 2020 financial reports and authorized the Chairman and Clerk to sign the *Certificate of Review*. Vice-Chairman Bauer seconded.

*Motion carried unanimously, 4:0.*

12) Reports of Board Members and Staff      NONE

13) Future Agenda Items

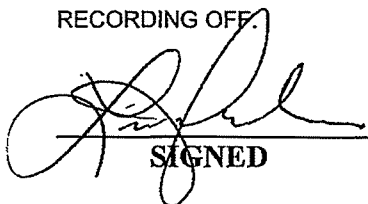
14) Date of Next Board Meeting      January 28, 2021

15) **Adjournment**

Vice-Chairman Bauer motioned to adjourn the meeting. Clerk Neilson seconded.

*Motion carried unanimously, 4:0. Meeting adjourned at 4:23 PM.*

RECORDING OFF.

  
SIGNED

1-28-2021  
DATE

**Board Members**

**Luis Castaneda, Jr.    Sara Bauer    Eric Neilson    Thomas Armendarez    James Haffner**

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