

MINUTES PUBLIC MEETING OF THE VERNON FIRE DISTRICT BOARD
February 28, 2017 AT 7:00 pm at the Vernon Public Library, Vernon AZ

1. **CALL TO ORDER at 1900**
2. **ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS – Tony Anderson, Jodie Humphrey, Steve Miller, Sara King, and Steve Coombs all present.**
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & PRAYER**
4. **RECOGNITION OF GUESTS – No guests present.**
5. **CONSENT AGENDA**
 - A. BAI-022817-001 Approval of January 19, 2017 minutes
 - B. BAI-022817-002 Approval of January 23, 2017 minutes, Open Session
 - C. BAI-022817-003 Approval of January 23, 2017 minutes, Executive Session

Motion to approve by Tony Anderson, 2nd by Steve Miller. Vote: unanimous “Yes”. Consent agenda items passed.
6. **CALL TO THE PUBLIC –** The public addressed the Board with comments and opinions. Comments by John Dahl, Chief’s evaluation, need to work together; Judy Wooder, Special meeting for March 8, 2017; Loraine Vaught, the Mil rate, attorney fees, special meeting for March 8, 2017, Chief’s evaluation; George Walsh, concerns for procedure, possible open meeting law violation, Chief’s evaluation.
7. **REPORTS & CORRESPONDENCE**
 - A. Chair Summary – Chairman Steve Coombs presented his summary and changed the order of the agenda by placing 8. Business, next for consideration, beginning with item 8. C. BAI- 022817-005.
8. **BUSINESS**
 - C. **BAI-022817-005 Motion to approve the attached templates, Budget Summary and Budget Spreadsheet** to be used for the Budget Process from this date forward. - Motion to approve: Steve Miller, 2nd Sara King. Discussion. Motion by Steve Coombs to Amend BAI-022817-005 by adding “That may be revised as the Board proceeds through the budget process”. Those who made the motion and 2nd agreed to the amendment. Vote: unanimous “Yes”. **Note: For continuity, Board Chairman, Steve Coombs, decided to move item 8.D. to follow the Chief’s Summary of the Mil Rate. Motion passed.
 - E. **BAI-022817-007 Resolution for Policy to limit spending in accordance with the approved budget.** Chairman Steve Coombs read Resolution BA-022817-007 (attached). Motion to approve: Sara King, 2nd Steve Miller. Discussion. Steve Coombs made a motion to amend by striking “and liabilities” from the second paragraph and adding that the resolution takes effect July 1, 2017. Those who made the motion and 2nd agreed to the amendment. Vote: Tony Anderson, “Yes”, Jodie Humphrey, “Abstain”, Steve Miller, “Yes”, Sara King, “Yes”, Steve Coombs, “Yes”. Resolution passed.
 - F. **BAI-022817-008 Resolution for Policy concerning Annexation and Annexation Requests.** Chairman Steve Coombs read resolution BAE-222817-008 (attached). Motion to approve Steve Miller, 2nd Sara King. Discussion. Vote: Tony Anderson, “No”, Jodie Humphrey, “No”, Steve Miller, “Yes”, Sara King, “Yes”, Steve Coombs, “Yes”. Resolution passed.
 - I. **BAI-022817-011 Resolution to amend BYLAW ARTICLE XIV – USE OF LEGAL COUNSEL.** Chairman Steve Coombs read Resolution Bal-022817-011 (attached). Motion to approve Steve Miller, 2nd Sara King. Discussion. Vote: Tony Anderson, “No”, Jodie Humphrey, “No”, Steve Miller, “Yes”, Sara King, “Yes”, Steve Coombs, “Yes”. Resolution passed.
 - G. **BAI-022817-009 Resolution for Policy concerning start of Out of District Billing.** Chairman Steve Coombs read Resolution BAI-022817-17-009. Motion to approve Steve Miller, 2nd Sara King. Discussion. Motion to amend the resolution by adding “ This notice will be published where the Vernon Fire District posts their physical notices for meetings”. Vote: Tony Anderson, “No”, Jodie Humphrey, “Yes”, Steve Miller, “Yes”, Sara King, “Yes”, Steve Coombs, “Yes”. Resolution passed.
****Ten minute recess called at 2022 until 2032. Meeting resumed at 2033. **Chief’s Report will be presented next.**
7. **REPORTS & CORRESPONDENCE - Continued**
 - B. **Chief’s Report and discussion, including status of revised Subscription Policy, Safer Grant, Hazardous Fuel Mitigation Grant, and other Grants.** Presentation and discussion concerning the Districts vehicles. District vehicle report given by Scott Wright at the direction of the Chief. Discussion. The Chief gave his report. Discussion.
 - C. **Financial Report including discussion concerning current year to date status of expenses and balances remaining, report from the county concerning the tax revenue for 2017/2018, and new expenses for 2017-2018.** Financial report given. Discussion,

Five minute recess at 2157. Meeting resumed at 2202.

8. BUSINESS – Continued`

A. BAI-011917-005 Motion that the Board has received and reviewed the Financial Report for December 2016.

Postponed from the January 19, 2017 Meeting. Motion Steve Coombs, 2nd Tony Anderson. No discussion. Vote: unanimous "Yes".

B. BAI-022817-004 Motion that the Board has received and reviewed the Financial Report for January 2017. Motion Steve Coombs, 2nd Steve Miller. No Discussion. Vote: unanimous "Yes".

D. BAI-022817-006 Discussion and possible action concerning setting the mil rate for the 2017/2018* budget. Chairman Steve Coombs struck the item from the agenda until a future time when more information is available.

H. BAI-022817-010 Motion for the Chief to obtain 3 bids with identical specifications, for the possible purchase of a new Command Vehicle, plus bids for the equipment and labor for emergency lighting and communications. Motion by Steve Coombs to amend the motion to change wording to " plus a bid for the equipment and labor for emergency lighting and communications and to change the word "identical" to "similar". No discussion. Vote: unanimous "Yes". Motion passed. **Item 8.J. BAI-022817-012 considered next.

J. BAI-022817-012 Discussion and possible action concerning a surplus Fire Truck being offered for sale by Timber Mesa. Discussion. Motion by Steve Coombs to authorize the Chief to place a bid, not to exceed \$165,000, for the purchase of a type 3 engine offered for sale by Timber Mesa Fire District. Second by Tony Anderson. Discussion. Vote: unanimous "Yes". Motion passed.

9. NEW AGENDA ITEMS – Including discussion and possible action that the March meeting will primarily deal with the Budget for 2017/2018 and the process in preparing and conducting the March Meeting. Item pulled from the agenda by the Chair.

10. ADJOURNMENT- Motion to adjourn by Steve Miller, Jodie Humphrey 2nd. Vote: unanimous "Yes". Meeting adjourned at 2232

Above minutes revised on 4/9/2017