

# Blue Ridge Fire District

Public Hearing  
Blue Ridge Fire District  
5023 Enchanted Lane Happy Jack, Arizona 86024  
928-477-2751 <http://www.brfdaz.org/>

December 20, 2025

9:30 AM

## Minutes

1. Call to Order Chair Mike Bourne called the hearing to order at 9:37
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call of Board Members  
Mike Bourne, Laurie Hawke, Casey Samsill  
Linda McDermott and Brian Alexander via telephone conference call
4. Review and Adoption of the Agenda  
Casey moved and Linda 2<sup>nd</sup> motion to adopt the agenda  
Motion passed unanimously
5. Presentation Of the Boundary Change Impact Statement for Clear Creek Pines Units 3&7.  
Chair Mike Bourne stated the purpose of the hearing.
6. Call to the Public

### CALL TO THE PUBLIC: ARS 38-431.01 (H)

A public body may make an open call to the public meeting, subject to reasonable time, place and manner restrictions, to allow individuals to address the public body on any issue within the jurisdiction of the public body. At the conclusion of an open call to the public, individual members of the public body may respond to criticism made by those who have addressed the public body, may ask staff to review a matter or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda. However, members of the public body shall not discuss or take legal action on matters raised during an open call to the public unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action.

Pete Spires: Asked the Board to present more information re: Boundary Change Impact Statement, background, who developed, etc.

Chair Mike Bourne presented the Impact Statement and State required process and Laurie and Casey added additional information as requested.

Pete Spires: Attempted in the past. Additional fees? No, just tax levy  
Subscription possible. Possible station in 3&7? Strategic management  
planning required. Insurance difference? Up to individual to investigate.  
Response time?

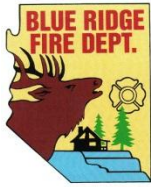
Unknown: What is ISO of district? 3Y. 3&7 is 10. His insurance says will not change due to lack of hydrants, etc.

Henry Brill (??): What is the tax levy? Equivalent to other communities in the district? Yes, the same as everyone else.

Rick Lusk: Insurance: Don't expect Insurance companies to fulfill what they say they will.

Truman Wood: Impact to property owners is primarily financial? Yes.

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Mary Simmons: Taxes increase BRFD income, could positively impact entire 3&7

Sherrie Vrankovic: As a retiring realtor, she finds it difficult to get insurance for property buyers in Happy Jack, even more so in 3&7

Pete Spires: insurance business experience. Insurance is an issue for everyone.

Jim Creamer: insurance went up 4x recently.

Robert Nelson: HJFD slower response, older firefighters. HOA required in connection to annexation? No. Insurance isn't going get any cheaper.

Unknown: Procedure? Mike Bourne explained the process.

How to access petition? Give Gail Lusk addresses/emails.

Quinn? When sign petition; summer better timing?

Jim Kramer: used to be a tank in 3&7, would that be an option for water access? Community figures out water supply access, BRFD doesn't own the hydrants. Chief responded that if/when annexation happens, willing to help community work on water supply.

Ante Vrankovic : tanks in 3&7 never checked, small, prone to freezing

Robert Nelson: supports annexation

Gail Lusk: Supports annexation. BRFD personnel are extremely helpful.

Pete Spires: More process explained, regarding petitions.

Options for petitioners to inform other property owners; BRSCT considering a mtg to help with petitions.

Several folks expressed appreciation and support for Gail's efforts, and Fire Chief, thus far.

Chair Mike Bourne closed call to the public.

7. Discussion and possible action to approve the Boundary Change Impact Statement for Clear Creek Pines Units 3&7 and authorize the circulation of petitions.

Linda McDermott summarized positively

Casey moved to approve the Boundary Change Impact Statement for Clear Creek Pines Units 3&7 and authorize the circulation of petitions and Linda 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion

Motion passed unanimously.

8. Adjournment

Casey moved and Laurie 2<sup>nd</sup> motion to adjourn

Motion passed unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,  
Laurie Hawke, Clerk