



Mormon Lake Fire District



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Mormon Lake Fire Board Minutes

October 8, 2019

The meeting was held at the Mormon Lake Fire Station

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM.

Members Present:

Cliff Ayres- Chairman Jeff Haupricht - Clerk Mary Lockett Mary Wiese

Call to the Public

Bill Whalen wanted clarification if the public could comment on agenda items.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Mary Wiese to accept the Minutes of the September 10, 2019 meeting and the motion was seconded by Jeff Haupricht. Members in favor – Ayres, Haupricht, Lockett, and Wiese - Motion passed.

A motion was made by Jeff Haupricht to accept the Minutes of the October 2, 2019 meeting and the motion was seconded by Members in favor - Ayres, Haupricht, Lockett, and Wiese - Motion passed.

Financial Report:

A motion was made by Mary Wiese to accept the September Financial report and the motion was seconded by Jeff Haupricht Members in favor - Ayres, Haupricht, Lockett, and Wiese - Motion passed. Bill Whalen, Patrick Kendrick, and Chelsea Evinger made comments on ideas for reporting.

Chief's/Department Report:

- Chief Schulte and Chief Western gave their reports

Correspondence:

- Fort Mc Dowell Grant Denial Letter, AZ Dept. of Homeland Security grant award letter for portable radios, AZ Property Tax Oversight Commission letter, and new ISO score for the District. *Steve Linck and Chelsea Evinger commented on this matter.*

Topics of Discussion, Considerations, Approvals, or Actions:

- Ralph King's resignation and new board member appointment process.
 - *A motion was made by Cliff Ayres to accept Ralph King's resignation and the motion was seconded by Mary Wiese. Members in favor - Ayres, Haupricht, Lockett, and Wiese - Motion passed.*
 - *A motion was made by Jeff Haupricht to fill Ralph King's vacancy and accept the Diane Lewis' application and the motion was seconded by Mary Lockett. Members in favor – Haupricht and Lockett, Member Opposed – Cliff Ayres, Member Abstained – Mary Wiese. Motion failed.*
 - *A motion was made by Mary Wiese to post the vacancy on the website for 30 days and the motion was seconded by Cliff Ayres. Members in favor – Ayres and Wiese. Members Opposed – Haupricht and Lockett. Motion failed.*
Bill Whalen, Patrick Kendrick, Jan Smith, and Chelsea Evinger provided comments on the matter.
- Double Springs Water Users Association Donation for EMS/Medical supplies.
 - *A motion was made by Jeff Haupricht to accept the Double Springs Water Users Association Donation for EMS/Medical supplies and the motion was seconded by Mary Wiese. Members in favor - Ayres, Haupricht, Lockett, and Wiese - Motion passed.*



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- Merger, Consolidation, or Joint Powers Authority.
 - *A motion was made by Jeff Haupricht to review Merger, Consolidation, or Joint Powers Authority options every 24 to 36 months depending on our annual budget meetings in July and the motion was seconded by Mary Lockett. Members in favor – Haupricht and Lockett. Members Opposed -Wiese and Ayres. Motion failed.*
 - *A motion was made by Mary Wiese to review Merger, Consolidation, or Joint Powers Authority options every fiscal year starting July 2020 and the motion was seconded by Jeff Haupricht. Members in favor - Ayres, Haupricht, Lockett, and Wiese - Motion passed.*
Bill Whalen, Patrick Kendrick, Steve Linck provided comments on the matter
- Committee for Merger, Consolidation, or Joint Powers Authority.
 - *No action was taken per the previous action item*
Steve Linck had a question regarding the matter.
- Chief Schulte's Nomination to Arizona Fire Chief's Association Volunteer/Combination Section as North Co-chair.
 - *A motion was made by Jeff Haupricht to not allow Chief Schulte's Nomination to Arizona Fire Chief's Association Volunteer/Combination Section as North Co-chair representing MLFD and the motion was seconded by Mary Lockett. Members in favor - Ayres, Haupricht, Lockett, and Wiese - Motion passed.*
- District vehicle policy and amendments.
 - *Jeff Haupricht presented a vehicle use directive. A motion was made by Jeff Haupricht to accept the vehicle use directive for the district and the motion was seconded by Mary Lockett. Members in favor - Ayres, Haupricht, Lockett, and Wiese - Motion passed.*
Bill Whalen commented on the matter.
- Determine the compensation payable to district personnel.
 - *A motion was made by Jeff Haupricht to give Assistant Chief Western a \$2 an hour increase to be retroactive to July 1,2019 the motion was seconded by Mary Lockett. Clarification was requested by Mary Wiese.*
 - *A motion was made by Jeff Haupricht to award the Assistant Chief the proposed 2020 wages of \$2 an hour increase as on the published expenditure report and he was promised retroactive to July 1,2019 the motion was seconded by Mary Lockett. Members in favor – Haupricht, Lockett, and Wiese. Member Opposed – Cliff Ayres. Motion passed.*
- Review Fire Board and Chief's Task Calendar
 - *A motion was made by Jeff Haupricht to deny Chief Schulte from attending meetings and trainings from 10/8/19 through 11/12/19 and the motion was seconded by Mary Lockett. Members in favor – Haupricht and Lockett. Members Opposed – Ayres and Wiese. Motion failed.*
 - *A motion was made by Jeff Haupricht to allow Chief Schulte to attend the reducing wildfire risk in Sedona if he feels it is absolutely necessary to attend on behalf of the district and deny any other meetings until 11/12/19 and the motion was seconded by Mary Lockett. Members in favor - Members in favor - Ayres, Haupricht, Lockett, and Wiese - Motion passed.*
Patrick Kendrick, Bill Whalen, Jan and DeWayne Smith commented on the matter.

The next regular Board meeting will be held November 12, 2019 at 1:00 PM at the Fire Station.

Fire Board Comments:

- Mary Lockett will be unavailable for the next meeting as she will be on vacation.



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Adjournment

A motion was made by Mary Lockett to adjourn and the motion was seconded by Jeff Haupricht. Patrick Kendrick requested to make a comment about an email that was sent to the board from his wife and was appreciative that reached out to her. Members in favor of adjournment - Ayres, Haupricht, Lockett, and Wiese Members Opposed - Meeting Adjourned at 3:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,
Kevin Schulte, Fire Chief