



# Whetstone FIRE DISTRICT

2422 N Firehouse Lane - Huachuca City, AZ 85616

## MINUTES OF THE WHETSTONE FIRE DISTRICT BOARD MEETING, October 22nd, 2019

### Call to Order/Roll Call/Affirmation of Quorum/Pledge of Allegiance:

Chairperson, Michelle Bell, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the Whetstone Fire District Station 321 classroom, 2422 N Firehouse Lane, Huachuca City, Arizona.

### Members Present:

Michelle Bell, Chairperson  
Dave Johnson, Board Member  
Wanda Pike, Board Member  
Pamela Cohen, Clerk  
Bobby Chapman, Board Member

### Staff Present:

Pete Bidon, Fire Chief  
Sam Foster, Battalion Chief  
Cathy Dyer, Office Manager

### Absent:

None

It was determined a quorum existed with four board members present.

### Call to the Public:

Verbal resignation of Bobby Chapman

### Old Business:

#### 1. Review, Amendment and Discussion and Possible Action of the purchase and installation of the Heat Pump AC Unit to replace the obsolete unit in the classroom

Michelle Bell: Vas- 5 tons, quote did not include seer rating, over \$8,000 which is over \$2,000 greater than all the others. AZ Comfort Systems Dicon: 15 seer, 5 ton, 1 year parts warranty, lifetime warranty on all new duct work installed \$6, 849, 82. First West Service Inc: 1<sup>st</sup> page has a 5 ton, 14 seer grand air, 2<sup>nd</sup> page has a 5 ton, 16 seer grand air for \$6,680 all together, also a 5 ton ream which is a 14 seer;





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5 year warranty and provides professional service instillation which includes a 1 year labor warranty. First West also offers an annual maintenance come with 2 annual inspections and 4 filter changes or 21 inspections, each inspection includes cleaning and adjusting burner assembly and cleaning ignition assembly. AZ Comfort Systems comes with a surge protector and a 3 year \$7,500 warranty for \$194 extra. Dan Coddington advised that a higher number seer is better.

Pamela Cohen: AZ Comfort Systems Dicon relies on their own essential parts and can't use any other parts.

Michelle Bell: Current assumption that the air ducts in the building are in good condition.

**MOTION:** Motion to go with the 16 seer Grand Air from First West Service Inc. for \$6,680

**RESULT:** Approved, all in favor none opposed

**MOVED BY:** Pamela Cohen

**SECONDED:** Dave Johnson

## **New Business:**

### **1. Review, Amendment and Possible Action of Public Session Minutes for September 2019**

No questions

**MOTION:** Move to accept the Session Minutes for September 2019

**RESULT:** Approved, all in favor none opposed

**MOVED BY:** Wanda Pike

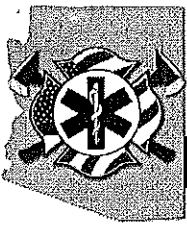
**SECONDED:** Pamela Cohen

### **2. Review, Discussion and Possible Action of the Financial Reports**

Financial reports were provided to the Board. Cathy Dyer said the operating account for the District closed the month of September 2019 at \$0. Total interest incurred was \$6.28. Current balance in that account is 20,013.32. Closed reserve account for September 2019 at \$213,132.20 and payoff for ambulances was \$129,502.04. Next payment is \$83,636.16. Volunteer Pension account is unchanged at \$14,295.55. Payment from HC for contract; paid up through January. Audit is scheduled for 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>.

Chief Bidon: Anticipation of extended HC contract. Will have more information next board meeting.





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**MOTION:** Move to accept the financial reports as presented

**RESULT:** Approved, all in favor none opposed

**MOVED BY:** Dave Johnson

**SECONDED:** Wanda Pike

## Chief's Report-

Information regarding the following topic(s) presented by the fire chief:

928 calls for the year. Michelle Speer attended a grant writing class and WHFD will apply for 2 grants: one for new air packs and one for new cardiac monitors. Tender is going to Phoenix for repairs on the electronic console. M322 is at the city yard getting brakes put on. M321 has to go to ford for warranty work for oil leak. D/O class started yesterday. Haunted House prep has begun. BC Foster and Chief Bidon went to SEACOM to review applicants for director position; needs to be narrowed down to 2 to move forward. Dispatch is looking to move to computer dispatchers and focus money on Emergency Medical Dispatchers.

## Board Members' Comments:

None

## Future Agenda Items:

Michelle Bell: Need to continue looking for a replacement for Bobby Chapman's position. Put discussion for Microsoft Office back on the agenda for next time.

## Adjournment:

**MOTION:** Move to adjourn at 1834

**RESULT:** Approved, all in favor none opposed

**MOVED BY:** Pamela Cohen

**SECONDED:** Wanda Pike

Michelle Bell, Chairperson

Sam Foster, Battalion Chief

