**San Simon Fire District**

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San Simon Fire District

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, October 8, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 pm, at the San Simon Fire Station, 2249 W. Firehouse Lane, San Simon, AZ 85632.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Pledge of Allegiance lead by Pati Fickett.

1. ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

Governing Board:

Chairperson Pati Fickett – Present

Clerk Savanna Valdez – Absent

Board Member Fernando Guzman - Present

Administration:

Chief John Novak – Present

Captain Heather Lentz – Present

Wildland Division Chief – Chris Anthis – Absent

Firefighters:

Mike Craft

Support:

Michele Larned

Diane Parker

Chuck Fickett

Guests:

Trisha Anthis Lynn Perkins

Ronnie Mahan Mary Sparkman

Rebecca Phifer Steve Cayger

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE September 10, 2024 Regular Board Meeting:

Mr. Guzman made the motion to approve the Board Minutes for September 10, 2024 as presented.

Mrs. Fickett seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

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| Voting | Aye | Nay | Abstain | Absent |
| Mrs. Fickett | X |  |  |  |
| Ms. Valdez |  |  |  | X |
| Mr. Guzman | X |  |  |  |

1. APPROVE FINANCIAL REPORT AS PRESENTED BY MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTS & CONSULTING:

Mr. Guzman made the motion to approve the financial report as presented.

Mrs. Fickett seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

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| Voting | Aye | Nay | Abstain | Absent |
| Mrs. Fickett | X |  |  |  |
| Ms. Valdez |  |  |  | X |
| Mr. Guzman | X |  |  |  |

1. CORRESPONDENCE:

None

1. AUXILIARY REPORT:

Michele Larned - None

1. LEADERSHIP REPORT:

Captain Lentz:

School:

The Fire District continues to provide EMS Standby for the athletic events at the San Simon School.

Training:

Training continues to be ongoing with in person training and utilizing Action Training online.

Calls:

The District received 15 calls for the month of September.

The team used the new Lifepack 35 Response Monitor/Defibrillator (cardiac monitor) to evaluate the needs of their patients and at a couple of calls used the assistance of the Star-Chair to safely transport patients. At the Mass Causality Incident, the District also utilized the collapsible tank to hold water while the tanker going to refill.

Everyone’s performance at the Mass Causality Incident was stellar and the collapsible tank was essential to keep water available to fight the fire.

The firefighters appreciate the support of Chief Novak, the community and the Board.

Equipment/Inventory:

Ongoing updating of inventory.

Chief Novak:

The District ran 15 calls in September: 2 ALS, 7 BLS, 1 Motor Vehicle Collisions, 1 Motor Vehicle Collision Mass Casualty Incident with Fire, 2 Vehicle Fire, 2 Public Assists.

We received notice that the district was awarded a $48,811.00 grant from the Arizona Governor’s Office of Highway Safety. The press release has been sent to the GOPS for approval, prior to releasing it to the press.

Continue to supply EMS Standby for the home games at the high school.

1. WILDLAND REPORT:

Division Chief Anthis deployed to Organ, Chief Novak provided report;

Chris Anthis deployed to Organ.

Brush 2051 returned from California.

SSFD’s Type 3 is at the top of the list in Arizona to be deployed.

1. OLD BUSINESS:
2. T-Mobile:

Chief Novak continues to work with T-Mobile addressing their ability to provide improved cell service to the District at an equitable price.

Item tabled pending additional information.

No Action Taken

1. Purchasing emergency lights and siren controllers:

Item tabled pending additional information.

No Action Taken

1. CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Addressing the Board:

Joan Abney

1. NEW BUSINESS:

All items are listed for **Discussion/Approval/Disapproval**

1. REIMBURSEMENT TO Fernando Guzman:

Mr. Guzma presented a request for reimbursement for travel to Willcox and the cost of food purchased for firefighters working the Mass Causality Incident in the amount of $93.18.

Mrs. Fickett made the motion to reimburse Mr. Guzman for his expenses as presented.

Mr. Guzman seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

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| Voting | Aye | Nay | Abstain | Absent |
| Mrs. Fickett | X |  |  |  |
| Ms. Valdez |  |  |  | X |
| Mr. Guzman | X |  |  |  |

A BREEF PAUSE WAS TAKEN IN THE MEETING AT 6:31 pm.

MEETING RESUMED AT 6:37 pm.

1. QUOTE FOR EXPEDITION TIRES:

Chief Novak presented quotes for tires from Haralson Tire and Discount Tire. It was decided to accept the quote from Discount Tire as they are located nationwide in the event repairs are needed, and the Expedition is utilized in the Wildland Program.

Mr. Guzman made a motion to accept the quote from Discount Tire to purchase the tires for the Expedition.

Mrs. Fickett seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

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| Voting | Aye | Nay | Abstain | Absent |
| Mrs. Fickett | X |  |  |  |
| Ms. Valdez |  |  |  | X |
| Mr. Guzman | X |  |  |  |

1. QUOTE FOR SPARE TIRE AND WHEEL FOR SQUAD:

The Squad does not have a spare to use in case of a flat in the field. Chief Novak presented a quote from Haralson Tire to purchase a rim and tire as a spare. He asked for additional quotes, but at the time of the meeting no one else had responded.

Mr. Guzman made a motion to purchase a spare tire and wheel for the Squad, not to exceed the Haralson Tire quote of $812.22.

Mrs. Fickett seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

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| Voting | Aye | Nay | Abstain | Absent |
| Mrs. Fickett | X |  |  |  |
| Ms. Valdez |  |  |  | X |
| Mr. Guzman | X |  |  |  |

1. ESTABLISH CHARGE ACCOUNT WITH DISCOUNT TIRE:

It was discussed to establish a charge account with Discount Tire to assist units out in the field, such as the Wildland Fire units and crews.

Mr. Guzman made a motion to have Chief Novak establish a charge account with Discount Tire.

Mrs. Fickett seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

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| Voting | Aye | Nay | Abstain | Absent |
| Mrs. Fickett | X |  |  |  |
| Ms. Valdez |  |  |  | X |
| Mr. Guzman | X |  |  |  |

1. MEDICAL SUPPLY SHORTAGE: Discussion Item

Chief Novak shared the information he received regarding the shortage of medical supplies. Hurricane Helena destroyed one of the major distribution centers for medical supplies in the US. This has created a shortage of IV solution as well as other medical supplies utilized by our District’s medical team. He has submitted an order for supplies and has been able to secure 6 bags of IV solution from another source. He is also in contact with the State and other suppliers to attempt to secure supplies used by emergency responders.

1. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

Board Members Commenting:

Mr. Guzman.

1. STAFF COMMENTS:

None

1. SET TIME AND DATE FOR NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday November 12, 2024, at 6:00 pm. 1800 hours.

1. EXECUTIVE SESSION: A.R.S. § 38-431.03(D) EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No Executive Session was held.

1. ADJOURN:

Chairperson Fickett adjourned the meeting at 6:52 pm.

Submitted Respectfully By: Pati Fickett

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Patricia Fickett, Chairperson Date