Minutes Tanque Verde Valley Fire District

The Tanque Verde Valley Fire District Governing Board Met on Wednesday, August 20, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. At the Tanque Verde Unified School District Board Room, 2300 N. Tanque Verde Loop Road, Tucson, AZ 85749.

1. Roll Call

Open Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Present: Roger Robinson, Board Chairman

Bob Jones, Board Treasurer Bruce Small, Clerk of the Board

Deputy Chief Glenn Pittinger, Rural Metro representative

Karen Heider, transcriber

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all board members...

Approval of the June 18, 2014 minutes took place, Bob Jones made a motion to accept the minutes, and Roger Robinson seconded the motion to approve. Approval 3 to 0 vote.

3. Old Business.

A. <u>Update on progress and development of Fire Hydrant Project</u>

The final plan was submitted and approved. John Evans will pick up permits tomorrow (Thursday, August 21). The contractor chosen is licensed and approved by the city. John Evans needs another check.

B. <u>Update on Go-Web Solutions monthly website maintenance of TVVFD website</u>.

Bob Jones and Roger Robinson have not heard from Go Web Solutions. Bob Jones had agreed upon a price and thought everything was finalized. Roger Robinson will contact in an attempt to get them started. Bob Jones will double check that they were paid.

4. New Business

A. <u>Progress on map reflecting annexation of the Willow Ranch Annexation to TVVFD.</u>

Bob Jones explained that it was practice by the Assessor's office to update any changes with the yearly taxation changes. So, until those changes are made the annexation may not appear. Bob went on to explain that the annexation must be completed before voting day. Payment has been made for the annexation.

B. <u>Discussion on possible articles on TVVFD in the publication "The Tanque Verde Voice".</u>

The representative for the Tanque Verde Voice was not present. Bob Jones explained that the TVV is a small newsletter that will begin in mid-September for the residents of the Tanque Verde Valley zip codes. The newspaper is supported by the sale of ads. Lucretia Free came to the meeting and discussion took place with her at the end of the meeting.

Bruce Small made a motion to contribute articles each month, Roger Robinson seconded the motion. Bob Jones will represent the TVVFD in providing information on TVVFD; Glenn Pittinger will supply information to Bob Jones for submission on fire safety.

C. <u>Discussion of Reasons for Executive Session.</u>

If executive session is anticipated during a meeting, then the agenda must reflect that the Board could possibly go into executive session. The TVVFD does not have any employees or attorneys on the payroll, so, there would be no need for an executive session to be called. With the current board members it doesn't appear that this would apply or need.

D. <u>Discussion of bi-monthly meetings.</u>

The law that allows bi-monthly meetings is in effect. Roger Robinson initiated a discussion to have bi-monthly meetings. Roger made a motion to go to a bi-monthly meeting schedule after the September meeting. Bruce Small seconded the motion. Bob Jones approved.

5. Rural Metro Report

The spread sheet for calls will be done on an annual basis with a graph. It will be on a calendar year, January – December. The report presented for June and July is okay with 4 exceptions. Quiet Valley Place and E. Calle del Valle (3 calls) are not in district. 4 calls are being removed from report.

Roger Robinson requested that all 3 board members receive the Rural Metro report at the same time. It was requested that they receive it via email prior to the meeting.

6. Treasurer's Report

At the beginning of July the beginning balance was \$140,299.91 At the end of May, the ending balance was \$139,469.60

The capital funds account was \$50,282.85

Expenditures for the Fire Hydrant Project are coming out of general funds and are being reimbursed by Pima County.

6. Treasurer's Report contd.:

Bob Jones discussed the article that appeared in the paper which listed TVVFD increase as 41%. In actuality it was 0.5%. There was incorrect information in the article. It was unclear where this information came from. Bob Jones was going to ask Joe Virgil (the reporter) for a correction. This information was misleading to the reader and completely inaccurate.

Roger Robinson gave Bob Jones the report of secondary property values for the year 2014. The information is being correctly reported to the state.

Bob Jones received a letter from a CPA to review the annual report. There is already someone established with TVVFD. Board agreed to continue to use the established accountant.

7 Correspondence.

Roger Robinson received emails concerning general retention records.

Also received was information about the new law, it sets up a meeting schedule. It states that the board must meet in July and every two months after that. The board can also have virtual meetings if they want.

8. Request for future Agenda Items

No agenda items.

8. Call to the Public

Lucretia Free, editor and founder of "The Vail Voice" and now "The Tanque Verde Voice"_was now present and explained what she would like to receive from TVVFD. She also explained the creation of both newspapers.

10. Adjournment

As there was no further business to come before the Board, the August 20, 2014 monthly meeting was adjourned at pm. Roger Robinson called for a vote. Bob Jones made the motion to adjourn, Roger Robinson seconded the motion. Vote 3 to 0 to adjourn.

Roger Robinson, Board Chair
Tanque Verde Valley Fire District

Bruce Small, Board Clerk
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