Minutes Tanque Verde Valley Fire District

The Tanque Verde Valley Fire District Governing Board met on Wednesday, January 20, 2016, 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

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Present: Roger Robinson, Board Chairman

Steve Ruetz

Karen Heider, transcriber

All present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance

2. Approval of November 18th, 2015 meeting minutes

Roger Robinson made motion, Steve Ruetz 2nd the motion, approved 2 to 0 Minutes from special meeting on December 2nd were discussed.

3 Old Business

A. <u>Discussion of Annexation of Desert Willows by City of Tucson</u>

Desert Willow signed agreement with the city that if they took the water they would not fight the annexation. City is in the process of annexation. The northeast corner is not included in presented annexation and may be in another annexation. Roger Robinson interprets the ARS that the city just can't take the fire district merely by annexing this subdivision. RR said they will need to consult with an attorney.

B. .Discussion of Inquiry in legality of "donut holes" caused by single resident annexations.

ARS 48-262 district boundary changes – Section 7, section C again repeats same verbiage that district can't annex around a piece of property. His suggestion is to retain attorney with intention of using them when the Fire District annexes the remaining district.

Northwest Fire District retains the Benavidez Law Group. Bruce Small corresponded with Mr. Benavidez and he charges \$150 per hour and \$75 per hour for travel. An engagement letter would need to be signed before any representation or advice was given. A letter of information was sent to RR. Vote on counsel will be held until March.

C. Update on San Domingo Neighborhood request for Annexation

No further conversation.

D. Update on Windridge Loop request for Annexation

No further conversation. BS is not at meeting to give his input.

4 New Business

A. <u>Discussion of inquiry into Attorneys for future Annexation procedures</u>

This was discussed during the discussion of 3B. Proposal received from the Benavidez Law Group, will postpone until the March meeting for a decision to be made.

B. Discussion and vote on any newly submitted TVVFD annexation resolutions

An email was Sue Livingston inquiring about her property being annexed. RR said he needs a legal opinion and wants to put it aside for now.

There were five properties that have requested in 2016, 01 to 05. RR made a motion to approve these five properties. Steve Ruetz 2nd the motion. Motion was approved by a vote of 2 to 0. Properties now being approved for annexation they will be submitted to the Pima County Recorder.

C. <u>Discussion of AZ PTOC approval of annexations Res 15-001 thru 15-007.</u> And possible issue with approval of Res 15-002 for Shoup residence.

2015-01 to 2015-06 were approved. 2015-07 went in prior to deadline of December 20th. Awaiting further to make sure it was accepted as this was the final day to submit.

2015-02, Shoup residence still shows Laura Shoup's name on the deed. RR has not received an acknowledgement from the AZPTOC on this annexation request.

5 Fire Chief's Report

A. Information on merger of the RMFD, and change of representative to the TVVFD Board.

Fire Chief is absent and there is no report.

B. Request for email copy of 2015 Annual Activity report to post to website

As there has been no Rural Metro representative at the current and previous meeting RR will make a request for someone to attend.

C. Request for information on status of Billing Inquiry from Kaye Treese

Kaye Treese complained about the bill that they received. He was transported by ambulance and RR believes that's what the bill is for, will ask RMFD for follow up.

6. Treasurer's Report

A. Monthly Financial Activity Reports and payments

November 2015

General Funds Account: Beginning Balance \$176,996.12 Ending Balance \$203,979.79 Capital Projects Account: Beginning Balance \$50,563.79 Ending Balance \$50,574.74

December 2015

General Funds Account: Beginning Balance \$203,979.79 Ending Balance \$157,257.32 Capital Projects Account: Beginning Balance \$50,574.74 Ending Balance \$50,593.97

B. Update on fiscal year 2014-2015 annual TVVFD audit and payment approval.

The fiscal year audit is 90% complete by Polleys and Associates. It must be submitted to the Pima County Board of Supervisors by end of February. The audit is in the works and will be submitted on time.

7. Correspondence

A. Invoice and payment of AZFDA membership Dues

\$575 was paid to AZFDA on 12-15-15 for dues.

B. Invoice and payment of VFIS Annual Insurance Dues

The policy was renewed, the premium was paid in December, 2015.

C. AZ State Treasurer for Bond Indebtedness.

Completed and returned as none to report.

D. <u>Letter from AZ Auditor on deadline for district audit and reporting of boundary changes.</u>

See Pima abstract of taxable values and comparison of 2014/2015 and 2016 budget.

- E. Thank you to Steve Ruetz for the holiday safety article submitted to the Tanque Verde Valley Voice.
- 8. Request for future agenda items.

No items. Next meeting set for March, third Wednesday.

9. Call to the Public

No public present.

10. Adjournment

As there was no further business to come before the Board, the January 20, 2016 monthly meeting was adjourned at 7:51 pm, by a 2 to 0 vote. Roger Robinson made motion, Steve Ruetz 2nd the motion.

Roger Robinson, Board Chairman
Tanque Verde Valley Fire District

Bruce Small, Board Clerk
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