



## MINUTES OF THE BUCKSKIN FIRE DISTRICT FIRE BOARD

08/8/23 - Open Meeting: Minutes to be approved at open public meeting on Tuesday, 09/12/2023, a public meeting of the Buckskin Fire Board convened on August 8, 2023 that started at 6:00 pm in the classroom of the Buckskin Fire District, located at: 8500 Riverside Drive, Parker, AZ 85344. The following matters were discussed at the Open Meeting.

### Agenda Open Meeting

1. Call to Order/Roll Call: 6:00 pm.  
Roll Call:  
Members Present: *Chairman, Jeff Daniel, John Mihelich, Jim Brouillette, Don Rountree. Wayne Posey absent.*  
Staff Present: *Chief McMahan, Barbara Cole, Captain Weatherford*  
Public Present: *Chief Moore from Bullhead City Fire..*
2. **Call to the Public.** Consideration and discussion of comments from the public. *Those wishing to address the Buckskin Fire District Board need not request permission in advance Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01(G), the Fire District Board is not permitted to discuss or take any action on items raised in the call to the public that is not specifically identified on the Agenda. However, individual Board members may be permitted to respond to criticism directed to them. Otherwise, the Board may direct that staff review the matter or ask that the matter be placed on a future agenda. Public input is limited to two (2) minutes unless a greater amount of time is approved by the Board. **The Fire District Board cannot discuss or take legal action on any issue raised during the Call to the Public that is not on the current Agenda, due to restrictions of the Open Meeting Law.***  
*No Public comments.*
3. (Discussion & Possible Action): Chief Moore from Bullhead City Fire will speak regarding Joint Power of Authority.  
*Chief Moore discussed what the failure of proposition 310 did to the Fire Districts, and what a forecasted benefit of a Joint Authority could be, regarding staffing issues for backfilling, training costs, etc., stating that it would not be a cost savings, but rather a cost avoidance. In order to move forward he would need a commitment from Buckskin if they wanted to move forward with the feasibility study that would be the next step. There was going to be a Chief's meeting the following week to discuss what the total cost would be for an outside firm to gather all of the pertinent information and put everything together, he forecasted that the cost would not be more than 5k per district, but probably less. The Board members stated that they saw value in keeping the communication lines open to see what the next step would*



*be and mentioned that they would be interested in the outcome. and that at that time there would be approximately 5 Districts, with Parker Fire being addressed on Wednesday, 8/9/2023.*

*A motion was made by Don Rountree to authorize the Chief to spend up to 5k if he saw the need to see where the feasibility study would turn out, along with a second from Jim Brouillette. There was a mention from Board member Mihelich that he would like to hear from board member Posey on this subject, and possibly bring it back to the board next month, but that he trusted the Chief to pursue what is best for the District.*

*There were no comments or questions prior to voting.*

*Ayes Daniel, Rountree, Mihelich & Brouillette.*

*Nays:*

*Absent: Posey*

*Abstain:*

*Chairman Daniel: Motion passed by a majority vote on agenda item #3.*

4. (Action Item): Consent Agenda: Discussion & possible Approval of Consent Agenda Bill 23-37 to approve:

A: Minutes submitted for Open Meeting held on 07/18/2023.

B: Acceptance of monthly expense reports for 07/01/2023-07/31/2023.

*A motion was made by Don Rountree to accept the Consent Agenda 23-37 as written which includes items A&B, along with a second from John Mihelich.*

*There were no comments or questions prior to voting.*

*Ayes Daniel, Rountree, Mihelich & Brouillette.*

*Nays:*

*Absent: Posey*

*Abstain:*

*Chairman Daniel: Motion passed by a majority vote on agenda item #4.*

5. (Report) Chairman's Report: Jeff Daniel.

A: Ask Board Members for **items to be considered for inclusion on the next agenda.**

B: Schedule the next Regular Session. *Tuesday, September 12, 2023.*

*No other report given.*

6. Fire Chief's Report:

A. Summary of Incident Report/Activity Log

B. Monthly Activities

C. Upcoming Activities and Events

D. Other



Some of the topics Chief McMahan discussed were:

Meeting with Deputy Chief Scott Tuttle regarding the San Bernadino contract, still a work in progress. New Engine moved to Phoenix, warranty work, current Wildland assignments, SCBA grant and receiving the equipment. Asphalt on the parking lot, part of SLIF grant, approximate estimates regarding a new building structure. Was waiting on a couple more bids. He stated he would like to discuss with the Board regarding moving grant reimbursements that were expensed in the FYE 2023 but would be paid in FYE 2024 for the SCBA's to put into the building fund, instead of the apparatus fund, in case the Board would approve a building structure. He stated that we would come back to the Board next month with an Agenda Bill to formalize the request.

7. Adjourn of Regular Board Meeting: 7:04 pm.

Jeff Daniel  
Board Chairman

9/12/23  
Date

Barbara Cole  
Office Administrator

08/22/2023  
Date

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