



## MEETING MINUTES

The Fire Board of the Rio Rico Medical and Fire District (RRMFD) met in regular session on Wednesday, February 22, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was held at Rio Rico Medical and Fire District administrative office, 822 Pendleton Drive, Rio Rico, AZ.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

- Meeting is being recorded
- Meeting called to order by Brad Beach at 5:33 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS

- Present: Brad Beach, Michael Carlson and Dora Urias
- Absent: Frank Bejarano and Dean Davis

4. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

- None

5. CONSENT AGENDA

a. Approval of minutes

i. Regular Session of January 25, 2023.

- Motion to approve minutes of the regular session of January 25, 2023 made by Michael Carlson, second by Dora Urias
- Motion passed unanimously by verbal vote

6. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

a. Correspondence

- None

b. Fire Chief's report

i. Emergency calls summary:

- Last month finished off well
- Total Calls: 186    78 IFTS    60 EMS/911    5 Fires    43 Public Assists/cancels
- Mutual aid given: 9    Mutual aid received: 2

ii. Operational

1. Equipment, vehicle, station

- SCBA flow testing February 20<sup>th</sup> – limited number of issues with 1 air pack, 2 regulators and 2 SCBA masks requiring service
- Station 1 roof repair completed – 3 layers of roofing were removed and wooden sheet replacement prior to adding new roof
- Audio/video installation complete - system is not working properly; simple control panels; microphones not compatible; metal building requires antenna on top of building, WIFI issues, payment being held for issues to be resolved

2. Training

- Driver/aerial Operator training in house; Captain Sheldon leader, Steve Scionti coordinator. To be completed April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Firefighters Alvarez, Cortinas, Carlos Morales, Moreno, Nido and Romero attending

- Ground ladder training; Vehicle fire training; Blue Card Sim labs; AZCFSE Fire Officer Skills and Testbank Meeting (BC Renteria & DC Urbanski attended)
  - S200 Incident Commander Type 4 Initial Attack (Wildland) attended by Firefighters Carrillo, Cota and Azukas
  - Documentation training for NFIRS and Image Trend
  - EMS Game Changers held in Phoenix, attended by Paramedics Trevino and Campos
  - Base Hospital Skills – February 6th, 8th and 10th attended by all shifts (must be attended every 2 years)
  - EMT Students practiced NREMT Skills – all have tested, several will need to retest
  - ACLS and PALS training February 9<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>
  - EMT Refresher February 21<sup>st</sup>
  - Numerous Vector Solution online trainings throughout the month
  - Wildland Basic Training and Chainsaw Training (EMT Academy included)
3. Operations
- Two vehicle fire with extension to residence
  - Academy participated with SCCOEM Conex box clean up and the Tubac Festival
  - Mutual Aid for NFD at Trailer Home and Vehicle Fire with fatality
4. Personnel
- Ariel & Roof Operations Triumph Celebration for B Shift Stations 3 & 4
  - EMT Academy Completion Celebration February 17, 2023
  - Hero Fund USA Telethon – Frank Granados and BC Renteria participated
  - Captain Mike Fielder leaving RRMFD to work with Pima County Courthouse
  - Michael Carlson mentioned he was driving from Home Depot and saw the recruits marching in unison down Mariposa Road with everyone stopping to look! Also noted Tesla is being investigated by the NTSB for their non-driver vehicles running into fire trucks
- c. Fire Marshal Report
- Fire Marshal Cluff reporting from New Mexico
  - NFIRS good thru the end of January, 2023
  - Attended 5 webinars/trainings
  - No burn permits issued during February
  - Processed 6 plan reviews/inspections
  - 4 Fire Calls
  - Participated in Pierson High School Career Day
- d. Fire Board Member Report
- Michael Carlson will be attending the PSPRS Employer and Member annual meeting March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 in Phoenix
  - Brad Beach noted nothing but good things from the Career Days at Rio Rico and Pierson High School
- e. Financial Report
- i. Presentation of Financial Reports up to January 31, 2023
- Presented by Ana Holman
  - New report has been established for the EMT/Fire Academy expenses
  - RRMFD property assessment increased by 6.25%; at current tax rate of 3.27% would increase tax revenue by \$171,240
  - NSFD property assessment increased by 1.47%; at current rate of 3.375% would increase tax revenue by \$5,262
  - Ana Holman clarified House Bill ARS 48-807(F) regarding the ceiling of the tax rate and also the decrease in tax rate for commercial property
  - Bond Sale is tomorrow, February 23, 2023. Pricing and update regarding insurance for rate reviewed

7. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Discussion, review and update re: Issuance and sale of general obligations bonds of the district
  - i. This is a continuation of previous discussion related to Bond Sales Issuance
    - Ana Holman reviewed packet regarding bond sales. Stifel noted a good amount of interest in sale. Link sent to RRMFD to watch sales and offers on bond; if all sold, monies may be available by March 16, 2023. RRMFD is only one up for government bond in the state of Arizona. AA rating has attractive rates
  - b. Discussion, review and update re: Expansion of RRMFD CON Ambulance Boundaries
    - i. This is a continuation of previous discussion related to the Expansion of RRMFD CON Ambulance Boundaries
      - Chief Amezaga stated Ana Holman has been working with the attorney who is finalizing information for the state, if all correct will submit paperwork. Spoke with Chief Guerrero of Tubac who will honor Cheryl's word, no push back, all coverage we are covering now will be officially under RRMFD coverage.

8. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and possible action re: Approval of financial reports for January 2023.
  - Motion to approve financial reports for January 2023 made by Michael Carlson, second by Dora Urias
  - Motion passed unanimously by verbal vote

9. FUTURE MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

- a. Next Board Meeting March 29, 2023 5:30 p.m.
  - Brad Beach requested the Executive Session for Chief Amezaga's evaluation be added to the agenda

10. ADJOURNMENT

- Motion to adjourn made by Dora Urias, second by Michael Carlson
- Motion passed unanimously by verbal vote
- Meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

Dated this 29th day of March, 2023.

**Rio Rico Medical & Fire District Elected Official**

**Dora Urias,** Dora Urias Clerk of the Board

