

MINUTES OF TONTO BASIN FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Regular Session
September 19, 2024

Call to Order: This regular session Board Meeting was called to order at 1501 hours by Chairman John France at Tonto Basin Fire Station #1, 46189 N AZ Highway 188, Tonto Basin, AZ.

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Board Member Cliff Metz.

Roll Call of Board Members: The following Board Members were present: Chairman John France, Clerk Debra “Deb” Morris, Secretary/Treasurer Robert Cooper, Board Member Clifford “Cliff” Metz. Board Member Keli Smith was an unexcused absence.

Also Present: Chief James Stoltenberg.

Ben Archer-Clowes “Ben” with James Vincent Group (JVG).

Awards & Recognition: Chief Stoltenberg recognized Garrett Stallings and Thomas Young for stepping in and taking additional shifts and workload while one of the employees was out for health reasons.

Reading and Approval of the August 15, 2024 Meeting Minutes: Following the review of the regular meeting minutes from August 15, 2024, a motion to approve the minutes was duly made by Board Member Cliff Metz and seconded by Board Member Deb Morris. Meeting minutes were unanimously approved and adopted.

Reports and Correspondence: The Chief’s Report was presented by Chief Stoltenberg. Discussions ensued on the items as presented. Ben presented the financial reports with the following ending balances as of 08/31/2024:

National Bank:	\$ 170,888.83
Warrant Account:	\$ 624,764.40
Capital Reserve Account:	\$ 342,063.55

Following discussions on the Chief’s and Financial Reports a motion was made to accept both reports as presented by Board Member Robert Cooper and seconded by Board Member Cliff Metz. The vote to accept both reports was unanimous.

Call to the Public on Agenda items: None

Discussion/Information and Action: proceeded regarding discussion and review of the best option to replace the Fire Chief Truck (Dodge Ram) as presented by Chief Stoltenberg. The Chief had obtained quotes from Chevrolet, Dodge and Ford. Following review and discussions a motion was made by Board Member John France to accept the replacement report as presented by Chief Stoltenberg and to approve the trade-in of the old Fire Chief truck and the purchase of a new Chevrolet 2500. The motion was seconded by Board Member Deb Morris. The vote to approve the trade in of the Fire Chief Truck and purchase a new Chevrolet 2500 was unanimous.

Call to the Public on Non-Agenda items: Board Member Robert Cooper raised a concern in terms of Board Member’s attendance and participation. Discussion ensued around the concern and it was agreed that this issue will be placed on the September Board Meeting agenda.

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Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Board a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Board Member Cliff Metz and seconded by Board Member Robert Cooper. The vote to adjourn was unanimously adopted and the meeting adjourned at 1606 hours.