

Drexel Heights Fire District

5030 S. Camino Verde, Tucson, AZ 85735

Regular Board Meeting

March 22, 2019

I. Call to Order

Board Chair Bertrand called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

Board Members present: James Bertrand, Gary Bynum, Laura Dailey, and Charles Mendonca. With four Board Members attending, a quorum is established.

Board Members absent: Charles Zang

Staff Members present: Douglas Chappell, Fire Chief / District Administrator; Laurie Dunham, Finance / Administrative Manager; Dane Crouse, Division Chief; and Dennis Stiegleiter, Fire Marshal.

IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Move to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of February 22, 2019 by Ms. Dailey, second by Mr. Mendonca, motion approved. (4-0)

V. Call to the Public – Comments and Questions

None

VI. Report from the Fire Chief

Chief Chappell provided a written report, which is hereby made a part of these minutes.

Ms. Dailey asked whether the resident who dropped off the suspicious material at Station 401 had to travel a long distance. Chief Chappell indicated that the resident traveled a couple of miles, and that residents bringing things to the fire stations is a common thing.

VII. Pending Business

- A. Discussion and possible action to approve the checks issued listing dated February 28, 2019, and the monthly financial report for the period ending February 28, 2019.

Move to approve the checks issued listing dated February 28, 2019, and the monthly financial report for the period ending February 28, 2019 by Mr. Bertrand, second by Ms. Dailey, motion approved. (4-0)

- B. Discussion only. Review and discussion concerning a proposed budget for the FY 2020.

Chief Chappell introduced the draft budget for discussion noting that the budget was unbalanced and incomplete because the District was still waiting for new rates for liability & property insurance as well as workers compensation insurance. Chief Chappell noted that overall, the budget meets the needs of the District and once the listed proposals are received, the budget can be finalized. The Board Members did not have any questions or comments.

- C. Discussion only. Discussion concerning the Prince Administration Center for the District.

Chief Chappell provided a brief overview of the current state of the plan development for the new Administrative Center. The focus of the current discussions concerns development and agreement on the budget for both the Administration and Fire Station 401 projects. Ms. Dailey asked what Station 401 would compare too and Chief Chappell indicated a super version of Station 404 is most likely the way it will look.

VIII. Future Agenda Items

Chief Chappell indicated he expected to have an updated draft of the 2020 Budget for review and discussion.

IX. Adjournment

Move to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Bertrand, second by Mr. Bynum, motion approved. (4-0) Mr. Bertrand adjourned the meeting at 9:22 a.m.

Submitted by: _____
Gary Bynum, Clerk of the Board

Next Scheduled Meeting: Friday, April 26, 2019, 9:00 a.m.
5030 S. Camino Verde, Tucson, AZ (Classroom)