

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
GROOM CREEK FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
HELD
Tuesday, April 05, 2016**

A Regular Meeting of the Groom Creek Fire District Board of Directors was called to order on Tuesday, April 05, 2016 at 7:30 PM, at 1110 E. Friendly Pines Road - Prescott, Arizona.

Agenda: Regular Meeting –

Roll Call

Present at the meeting were the following members of the Groom Creek Fire Board of Directors: Board Chairman Bob Schulz, Board Vice-Chairman Gary Williams, Board Clerk Terry Hammon. Fire Chief Todd Bentley represented the Fire District.

Approval of minutes of Previous Regular Meeting:

Terry Hammon made a Motion to Approve the Minutes of the March 01, 2016 Regular Meeting, seconded by Gary Williams, and it passed unanimously.

Terry Hammon made a Motion to Approve the Minutes of the March 29, 2016 Special Meeting, seconded by Gary Williams, and it passed unanimously.

Public Appearances

None

Chief's Report

1) Operations Update – Chief Bentley reported 6 medical calls for service and 1 Hazardous Materials call in the previous month..

2) Grant Update – Chief Bentley said that he was asked to be a part of the Fuels Grant review committee. He mentioned that he would be attending the Grant Meeting for the Homeland Security Grants and that it looked like the District would receive funding for the compressor portion of the breathing air system and the Firehouse Subs grant would be modified to address the other parts needed to complete the system.

3) Miscellaneous – Chief Bentley reported that the District received a couple of correspondences that related to the IGAs with Central AZ Fire and Prescott Regional Communications Center. Neither would impact the District at this time. He noted that the Zions Bank request would not be funded due to the age of the fleet. He requested that Board members write to their legislators to support SB1244 - Wildland Prompt Pay bill that is stuck in committee. He talked about increases in rates for the Fuels Crew and for CPR classes. He also provided information that the Elected Officials elections documents will be available on Friday.

Financial Reporting

1. Account Balances as of 04/04/2016:

- i. General Fund – (277,593.42)
- ii. Compass Bank Payroll – 3556.88
- iii. Compass Bank Wildland – 4883.43
- iv. Line of Credit – (100,000.00)
- v. Reserve Fund – 208.29
- vi. Accounts Receivable – 206,070.56
- vii. Taxes Receivable – 147,041.78

2. Financial Reports – February 2016

The February 2016 financial statements were provided by email and reviewed. *Terry Hammon made a motion to approve the Financial Reports, Gary Williams seconded and the motion passed unanimously.*

Old Business –

1. None - Chief Bentley mentioned that the Tentative Budget will be presented at the next meeting.

New Business -

1. Fire Chief Employment Contract - Chief Bentley reviewed his current contract with the District and recommended no changes to the benefits or salary provided at this time. He requested that the Term of the new contract be considered for 5 years. *Terry Hammon made a motion to Approve the Fire Chief Employment Contract with a 5 year term. Gary Williams seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.*

Board Member Comments - Terry Hammon reported about his attendance at the Firewise Summit and the need to continue to work with our landowners to educate about the Firewise Program and our Fuels Crew availability to perform the work.

Adjournment

Gary Williams made a motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Terry Hammon. The motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:28 P.M.

Dated this 8th day of April 2016 by: _____ Board Clerk.
Terry Hammon