

Minutes of July 16, 2024 Meeting

The Fire Board of the Sherwood Forest Estates Fire District met in Regular session on July 16, 2024 at 5:00 PM. Meeting was held at the fire house at 450 Little John Road, Williams, Arizona. The following topics and any variables thereto, were subject to Board consideration, discussion, approval, or other action.

1. **Call to order** @ 5:00 PM

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

3. **Roll Call** – Walt Krushinsky, Deb Hamby, Rodger Anderson and Paul Cook representing the board. Steve Diefenderfer was absent due to eye surgery. Chief McDowell was in AFDA training and Asst. Chief Pruett was responding to a dept. call. Brie McDowell represented the fire department.

4. **Approval of Minutes** – June 18, 2024 Board Meeting. Deb H. made a motion to accept. Rodger A. seconded and the board voted unanimously to accept.

5. **Treasurer's Report** - Review of June, 2024 financial detail. As of the "fiscal year end the fire department has a positive increase in their financial balance. Walt K. made a motion to accept the report and Paul C. seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept.

6. **Reports**

a. **Correspondence** - None

b. **Auxiliary** – Not present.

c. **Fire Chief** – (Brie M. presented the Chief's report in his absence.)

- Chief McDowell is investing half of the tuition for an EMT certification class with the fire fighter covering the other half.

- Four incidences were responded to; one illegal campfire (Chief gave a warning and the residents complied), two legal campfires per Stage One, and one brush fire due to illegal dumping.

- Eight vehicles are in-service with Trailer 10 out-of-service.

- The department trained 45.5 hours of volunteers. Chief McDowell is attending AFDA training this week.

- SFEFD had two fire trucks in the Parks parade on July, 4th.

- Three volunteers signed up and paid for Arizona State Fire School in September.
- Millings were added to the parking lot.

(For more detail see Chief McDowell's report on the fire district's website)

d. **Board Report** - Rodger A. presented a review of fuel consumption by the dept. with 35% of Fuel for regular gas and 65% for diesel.

e. **POA** – Reminder of the Neighborhood Yard Sale this Saturday, July 20, 2024 from 8:00 AM–2:00 PM. A hamburger lunch will be offered from 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM for a \$5 donation. So far, there are 13 people signed up for the yard sale.

Chili Cook-off will be held on Saturday, October 5, 2024 from 4:30-6:00 at the fire house.

To date, no one has expressed an interest in filling the vacated POA positions of the outgoing POA President nor Vice-President.

7. **Old Business** – Board vote on retaining Walter & Armstrong for next year's Audit. Paul C. made a motion to accept and Deb H. seconded. Board voted unanimously to accept.

8. **New Business.** – The Board Treasurer has requested a new printer (and associated ink) for the district. To be discussed and voted on at the August 20, 2024 board meeting.

9. **Call to the Public** – Kathy Krushinsky had three items to present; (1)The last day to use the Moonset Pit for dumping natural debris will be September 7, 2024. (There is hope that residents will be able to use the Wagon Wheel dump but no word yet.) (2)Woods Watch training will be available for interested volunteers and (3) The SFE's "Care Committee" is available to help residents that are not able to get out this winter to get firewood, food, etc. Contact Kathy K. for further details at 405-919-4363.

10. **Adjournment** – Rodger A. made a motion to adjourn and Walt K. seconded. The board voted unanimously to accept and the meeting adjourned @ 5:46 PM.

Next meeting date August 20, 2024 at 5 PM.



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CHIEF'S REPORT JULY 16TH 2024

ACTIVITY:

- Incidents since last Board Meeting:
 - 6/23/24 illegal campfire
 - 6/28/24 legal propane campfire, no emergency
 - 7/2/24 legal propane campfire, no emergency
 - 7/13/24 Brush fire, illegal dumping

EQUIPMENT:

- Apparatus Update:
 - Engine 1 (in service) Waiting on Flag Truck Center to receive parts. Winch motor replaced
 - FR10 (in service)
 - Tender 4 (in service)
 - Tender 5 (in service)
 - Tender 8 (in service)
 - Brush 6 (in service)
 - Brush 11 (in service) injector #1 replaced
 - Excursion (in service)
 - Trailer 10 (out of service)
- Station
 - Emergency Power- working properly
 - Septic repair. Parts found and ordered, Functioning.

TRAINING: Bi-monthly training continued: 6/22/24 – 6 department members in attendance- 2 hours, Discussed Line of Duty Death cause and how to prevent them, Drivers safety and training. 7/2/24- 5-members, EMS bags review, Drive time for Hardcastle.

- Volunteered Hours- 45.5, Does not include paid personnel hours



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DISTRICT NOTES:

- Fire danger HIGH, Stage 1 restrictions
- Chief McDowell attending AFDA this week
- 2 vehicles entered Parks 4th of July parade. Thank you to all who helped
- Approved for consortium card. Working out details. Still on going
- 3 members signed up and paid for Arizona State Fire School in September, Rask, Hardcastle, McDowell. Scholarship application filled on and submitted.
- Hardcastle letter of sponsorship for EMT course. Notification of board members. No action needed. Approved by Chief McDowell

CARE FOR EACH OTHER

SUBMITTED BY:

MATTHEW MCDOWELL, FIRE CHIEF

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