East Verde Park Fire District Board

Meeting Minutes Monday, October 11, 2010

Call to Order

Dan Haapala called to order the regular meeting of the East Verde Park Fire District Board at 1:14 pm, Monday, October 11, 2010.

Roll Call

The following members were present Dan Haapala, Ardith Hogan, Mary Cambier, Matalyn Gardner. Member of the public, Bobbie Pierce was present.

Approval of minutes from last meeting

The board reviewed the meeting minutes from the Monday, September 13, 2010 meeting. Matalyn Gardner moved the minutes be accepted as presented. Mary Cambier seconded. Motion approved.

Committee Reports

Financial Report - Mary Cambier reported we received \$525.09 last month from 2009 property taxes, and \$5348.31 from 2010 property taxes. We received \$37.89 interest for a total of \$5911.29. Check cleared for \$70.67 for pay phone. Account balance is \$15,477.13.

Ardith Hogan motioned we accept the financial report as presented. Matalyn Gardner seconded. Motion passed.

Correspondence

Mary Cambier brought the new Arizona Open Meeting law document. She has read the document and wants the board to know that this law does pertain to us. Dan Haapala offered to contact the Gila County Attorney's office to request a training session at a future meeting.

Mary Cambier received the statement and questionnaire for the yearly AFDA membership through 9/30/11. Madalyn Gardner moved that we join AFDA for this year. Ardith Hogan seconded. Motion approved. Dan Haapala will complete the questionnaire and Mary will send it in with a check for the dues.

<u>Arizona Legislative Updates Regarding Fire Board Districts</u>

No report

Comments from Board members

None

New Business

- 1. Discussion regarding the appointment of two candidates seeking a board seat by the Gila County Board of Supervisors and when those appointments become official. Public Comments welcome on this topic. Dan contacted Dave Rogers at the Gila County Elections Board to find out when the election of the new board members, Lee Accacia and Craig Green will be effective. Dave told him according to AZ state law; the new board member appointments are effective on the first meeting of the first month following elections. This means the new members elections will be effective at the December board meeting.
- 2. Acceptance, with regret, the resignation of Clerk of the Board, Ardith Hogan, effective November 30, 2010. Discussion/possible action regarding her replacement. Public Comments welcome on the topic. Dan contacted Dave Rogers at the Gila County Elections Board and Dave told him according to AZ state law; the new board member appointments are effective on the first meeting of the first month following elections. This means the new members will be on board at the December board meeting. Lee Accacia contacted Bobbie Pierce and Bobbie agreed to fill the remainder of Ardith Hogan's term.

Dan stated that the board needs to vote to request the Gila County Board of Elections appoint Bobbie L. Pierce to replace Ardith Hogan following her resignation 11/30. Mary Cambier moved to ask the board. Ardith Hogan seconded. Motion approved. Ardith will send a letter to the Gila County Board of Supervisors elections department.

3. Discussion/possible action concerning the replacement of deceased board member, Jim Cambier. Public Comments welcome on the topic.

Dan contacted Lee and Craig, and they wanted someone with board experience to take Jim's. The board opened nominations. Madelyn Gardner stated that she wished to be off the board due to other obligations. Dan Haapala felt he could deal with the board responsibilities for the remainder of Jim's term. Mary Cambier moved to request the board of supervisors to replace Jim on the board for the remainder of his term, effective Dec 1, 2010 Ardith Hogan seconded. Dan Haapala excused himself from the vote. No discussion. Motion passed.

Mary asked about swearing in the new members of the board. Madelyn stated that only a notary needed to be present. Ardith will fill out the notary form and there will be a notary at the December board meeting.

Unfinished Business

1. Response from the Payson Fire Department regarding solar panel policy. Marti Demasi responded to Dan's questions regarding solar panels. Marti stated that at this time, PFD won't be addressing specific to the dangers that are posted on the internet. He feels that the PFD will not interrupt service or refuse to fight a fire in our district because a house has solar panels. He feels that his staff is well equipped to handle any situation.

2. Bulletin board design discussion/action for the Jim Cambier memorial.

The board discussed possible choices for the bulletin boards that will be placed in the Jim Cambier memorial wall. The memorial will be dedicated at the semi-annual EVP HOA meeting on October 16. We will have two spaces available for a bulletin board. Madelyn gave a short description of the design proposed by Don Brooks, resident who designed the memorial. She described some kind of metal insert and a corkboard wall with a Plexiglas cover. Mary Cambier stated that the wall is cement and anything that we use will need to be waterproof. Madelyn suggest that we have a metal box custom made with some kind of closure on the front. After further discussion, it was decided that a metal box in each space with a Plexiglas cover on the front would be the best choice. Dan Haapala offered to call a couple of sheet metal shops and ask them to submit bids.

Future Agenda items to be Discussed

- 1. Dan Haapala will report on a date for a training session given by the Gila County Attorney's office to educate the board on the new Arizona Open Meeting law.
- 2. Dan Haapala will submit bids from sheet metal shops for new bulletin boards.

Public Comment

<u>Adjournment</u>

Meeting was adjourned at 1:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Ardith Hogan, Clerk