



TUBAC FIRE DISTRICT

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TUBAC FIRE DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
August 28, 2024

1. Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance: The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Sandy Johnson.
2. Roll call of Board Members: Sandy Johnson, Mary Dahl, Peter Benequista, Rich Bohman were present at the Tubac Community Center. Herb Wisdom was absent. Also, in attendance at Tubac Community Center, Fire Chief Ben Guerrero, Deputy Chief Hesly Guerrero, Captain John Conger, Captain Esai Tapia and Bianca Hamric. Gabe Buldra attended on behalf of James Vincent Group. Klindt Breckenridge, Carlos De Alva, Juan Gonzalez, Assem Sagynova and Melack Albargash attended on behalf of Breckenridge Group Architects. Members of the public in attendance were Ron Campana, Kathi Campana, Barbara Hill, John Combo, Gary Pundt, Mary Vanis, Michael O'Rourke, Karen Wilson, Connie and Bob Schmitz, Robert Maurer, Robert Clancy, Katherine Clancy, Sue Laverty, Kathleen Vandervoet.
3. Reading of public comments submitted via email: None.
4. Call to the public: None.
5. Correspondence: None.
6. Report from Board Members: Peter Benequista and Rich Bohman reported attending a meeting with Breckenridge Group Architects. Rich Bohman reported that at the Citizen Council Meeting this month, he continues to have questions regarding cancellation of coverage and an increase for homeowners' insurance.
7. Chief and Staff Report: Deputy Chief Hesly Guerrero, Captain Esai Tapia and Fire Chief Ben Guerrero provided the monthly Staff Report for July 2024.
 - a. Operations Update.
 - b. Training.
 - c. Wildland Update.
 - d. Administration Update.
8. Monthly Financial Report for July 2024: Gabe Buldra from James Vincent Group presented the financial reports for the month of July 2024. (Please refer to www.tubacfiredistrict.org under the Tubac Fire Board tab to review report.)
9. Consent Agenda: Mary Dahl made a motion to approve the consent agenda and Rich Bohman seconded the motion; all were in favor, the motion passed unanimously.
10. Presentation by Breckenridge Group regarding Tubac Fire Station #1 Project intermediate plans: Klindt Breckenridge presented drawings and renders to the Board members and the community. Following the presentation, an open forum for Q&As proceeded.

11. Executive Session- Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A)(3), Discussion and consultation for legal advice and/or direction regarding the Santa Cruz County Treasurer investigation as it relates to the Fire District. Mary Dahl made a motion to move into executive session. Peter Benequista seconded the motion; all were in favor, the motion passed. Mary Dahl made a motion to adjourn the executive session meeting. Peter Benequista seconded the motion; all were in favor, the motion passed unanimously.
12. Discussion and possible action to provide direction to Fire Chief regarding the Santa Cruz County investigation. No action was taken.
13. Future Agenda Items: Possibly the new fire chief job description.
14. Next meeting: September 25, 2024, at 1:30 p.m.
15. Adjourn meeting: Mary Dahl made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:30 p.m. Herb Wisdom seconded the motion. All were in favor; the motion passed.