

TUBAC FIRE DISTRICT

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TUBAC FIRE DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES February 27, 2013

- 1. <u>Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance</u>: The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by Richard Lockwood. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- 2. <u>Roll call of Board Members:</u> Board Members present were Richard Lockwood, Dottie Bergmann, Herb Wisdom, Bill Kirkpatrick and Randy Williams. Also present were Chief Kevin Keeley, Assistant Chief Genaro Rivera, Brenda Holbrook, Nancy Lindsey, Darrell Miller, Frank Granados, Mark South, Mike Lindsey, Martha Lundberg and Tim Slate.
- 3. <u>Approval of Minutes from January 30, 2013:</u> Herb Wisdom made a motion to approve the minutes after changes are made to item #6 that erroneously listed Herb Wisdom as Treasurer and Dottie Bergmann as Secretary. Randy Williams seconded the motion; all were in favor, the motion passed.
- 4. <u>Correspondence:</u> Chief Keeley presented the Board with thank you cards from some District Residents.
- 5. Reports:
- A. Financial Reports:
 - 1) County Treasurer report
 - 2) Financial Report. Budget vs. Actual
 - 3) Charge for Service: <u>January Collections</u>
 Monthly collections \$ 8,106.09
 YTD collections \$ 159,506.67
- B. Fire District Operations:
 - 1) Monthly Activity Report
- 6. <u>Update on Ambulance Billing:</u> Chief Keeley explained to the Board that legislation is being considered in the State of Arizona to make changes to the rates payable to ambulance providers under the State Medicaid (AHCCCS) program that would result in a loss of income for all ambulance providers across the state. He went on to explain that regardless of what is billed to Medicare and Medicaid by the District and all ambulance providers in the state, the allowable rate set by the Medicare and Medicaid is all that will be considered for payment.

- 7. <u>Update on Assessed Values 2013 / 2014:</u> Chief Keeley informed the Board that he recently received the news from the County Assessor's Office that the District will likely see a continuing downward trend in the assessed property values. This decrease in property values for 2013 / 2014 tax year is estimated to be 10%. He continued by stating that this 10% decrease will result in an overall drop of 31% in assessed property values over a 5-year period. Chief Keeley will meet with the County Assessor's Office and hopes to have a representative from this office attend next month's Board Meeting to further explain the property value decreases.
- 8. <u>Wildland Update:</u> Al Kingsley was not available to present the Wildland Update, but Chief Keeley informed the Board that additional money had been received from the State since last month's meeting.
- 9. <u>Tubac Festival of the Arts 2013:</u> Chief Keeley explained to the Board that attendance at this year's festival was the lowest he had ever experienced; this being due primarily to the inclement weather.
- 10. Report from Legal Counsel: None
- 11. Call to the Public: None
- 12. Next Meeting: March 27, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. at Tubac Fire Station #1, 2227 E. Frontage Rd., Tubac.
- 13. <u>Adjourn Meeting:</u> Herb Wisdom made a motion to adjourn the meeting 9:35 a.m., and Bill Kirkpatrick seconded the motion; all were in favor and the motion passed.

Note: The Tubac Fire District Board may vote to go into an Executive Session on any agenda Item, pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03 (A) (1) (3) for discussion and consultation for advice with the district's attorney on the matters as set forth therein.