

Regular Meeting of Pinetop Fire Board
Monday August 19, 2019
Pinetop Fire District Station 110
1845 S. Pine Lake Rd, Pinetop AZ 85935

- I. Call the meeting to Order: Ed Cibbarelli** called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm

Roll Call of Board Members Ed Cibbarelli, Carla Bowen, Doug Wright, and John Rowlinson, Kurt Alcumbrac was excused

- II. Call to the Public:** None

III. Consent Agenda Board Business

The items on the consent agenda are considered routine and will be adopted in one motion unless a board member, staff, or member of the public in the audience requests, before the vote on the motion, to have the item considered separately. If any item is removed from the Consent Agenda, the Board Chairman will indicate when it will be discussed in the regular agenda.

1. Approval of Minutes of Board Meeting held on July 2019
2. Approval of Warrants paid in July 2019

Carla Bowen made the motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by John Rowlinson motion carried 4-0

IV. Board Business

1. Discussion/Consideration/Possible Action re: Presentation of July 2019 Financial Reports
Gabe Buldra presented the financials for Pinetop Fire District, all documents included in packet. Some highlights were; Navajo County Revenue for July was over budget – tax collections and non-levy revenue were under budget.

Wildland revenue was under due to timing of wildland invoicing. Expenses for July were over and this is also due to timing of invoicing. Personnel is also over due to wildland wages and timing of reimbursement.

Cash position is less than in June but more than July last year. Month over month variance is due to timing of tax revenue vs general operating expense. Review of cash flow projections show that cash is sufficient through the end of the year and no need to draw on the county line of credit which is great news.

Percentages for the month were; Personnel 86% Operations 12% and communications 2%. This is a fire district average for districts of our size and structure.

Chief Morgan added that we had several audits going on at the same time, he said that we have a lot of oversight, Pinetop Fire District is very transparent. He explained that the district has won an award for our CAFR audit and we were waiting on a letter that should have been here before the meeting.

John Rowlinson made the motion to accept the July Financials as presented, seconded by Carla Bowen, motion passed unanimously 4-0.

2. Discussion/Consideration/Possible Action re: 2019 Wildland Season Update.

Chief Morgan; this is informational only, and documents are included in packet. We are still doing very well as far as wildland fire season, we are still waiting though on the

Monsoons to fully kick in. We have had a huge payoff with our REM Team and medical deployment and we still have people out in the field including one in Alaska. We are still in good shape for the rest of the summer season. This is informational only, no board action.

3. Discussion/Consideration/Possible Action re: Type 1 Engine update: Chief Morgan; included in your packets are some pictures and information about our Engine that is in various phases of construction. Everything is coming together nicely. Carla Bowen would like the pictures on our website. Chief Morgan still would like to “christen” the truck like they do ships with a public ceremony. This is informational only, no board action.
4. Discussion/Consideration/Possible Action re: Pine Lake Road Intersection Improvement. Chief Morgan, this is a fairly early discussion concerning our intersection at Pine Lake Rd. ADOT has been looking at improvements and had a design plan but the city decided to not go through with it. Maybe it was too expensive, they wanted to get a pedestrian signal and crosswalk but it won’t happen any time soon. ADOT and Navajo County are looking at our intersection to see what we all could collectively do to improve the intersection. Maybe involve Circle K corporation to help with funding. ADOT will be funding the curb and sidewalk all the way to the corner and fix the electric putting it underground.

We are also looking at purchasing a signal to allow emergency vehicles to go through the stop lights. We had a TOMAR sound-based signal release in the past but it didn’t work well. This one is GPS based and would be a collaborative effort with TMFMD and the Police Depts for emergency vehicles. Opti Com is a good system. John Rowlinson explained they had this in the valley and it works great and adds precious time for response and delivery. This is informational only, no board action

VI. Summary of Current Events

1. Fire Chief’s Report regarding district activities
Chief Morgan; We have folks going to NFA for training, this is something Mr. Rowlinson was very interested in.
No Chair report this month.

VII. Future Meeting Dates

Next meeting is September 16, 2019

Announcements: Ed Cibbarelli told the board that Mr. Alcumbrac is very ill and may still be excused for the next meeting.

Adjournment-

Motion to adjourn by John Rowlinson at 5:30 pm seconded by Doug Wright, motion passed unanimously 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted

Karen Robbins