## Regular Meeting of Pinetop Fire Board September 16, 2024

Pinetop Fire District Station 12 Video & Conference Available 1845 S. Pine Lake Rd, Pinetop AZ 85935

#### Call the meeting to Order: John Rowlinson called the meeting to order at 5:02pm

# Roll Call of Board Members; Present John Rowlinson, Wayne Booher, Edie Webber Carla Bowen and Ben Borrego were excused.

Administration present: Atty Bill Whittington, Sara Simonton (JVG) were virtually available, Chiefs' Jim Morgan, Richard Wallace and Karen Robbins were present for the meeting.

#### 1. Call to the Public: None

## II. 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 August 2024 Meeting Minutes
- 2) Approval of August 2024 Warrants paid.

Wayne Booher made the motion to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Seconded by Edith Webber. Motion passed unanimously 3-0.

#### III. Board Business

### 1. <u>Discussion/Consideration/Possible Approval re; August 24 Financial Reports</u>

All reports are in the board packet. Sara Simonton (JVG) gave a quick summary of the August 2024 financial reports. Some highlights were.

Navajo County Revenue and property tax collection were over budget for August.

Non-levy revenue - wildland billing over budget

Ambulance Revenue currently is under budget.

Expenses for August were over budget by \$152,860.

Personnel Expenses are over budget by 137,081 driven by higher than anticipated wildland. Wages and OT

Vehicles and Equipment over budget, driven by wildland fire and timing of maintenance. contracts.

Travel, meetings and training are over budget 21,669 driven by wildland expenses.

Year to date Revenue is \$514,026 which is \$95,798 under budget.

Ambulance revenue is under budget \$45,923.

Wildland is also under budget \$31,593.

Grant Revenue is under \$21,509.

Year to date Expenses were \$1,700,891 which is \$439,053 over budget driven by Personnel Expenses

Total Cash is \$1,681,913 which is \$581,940 less than last year same time.

Percentages; Personnel 77% Ops 14%, Admin 5%, and Communication 4%.

The Chief explained about Ambulance Revenue being down, He told them that the company changed hands and also is experiencing problems with software, the company said they could make us whole if we lose revenue. He told them we had a meeting with the new company, and they are trying to start billing as soon as possible.

Edith Webber made the motion to accept the June 2024 financial reports as presented. Seconded by Wayne Booher. Motion passed unanimously 5-0.

### 2. <u>Discussion/Consideration/Possible Approval re; St 10 Bond election Updates</u>

Chief Morgan there will be voter information packets mailed out on October 8<sup>th</sup>. The Chief is continuing meetings at town hall and coffee with the council. We will have adds in the upcoming newspaper and Chief had a positive meeting with Jim Rathbun. So far it seems like we are getting positive feedback. We will also be putting out signs and other public information social media.

This is a non-vote item, information only.

### IV. Summary of Current Events

#### 1. Fire Chief Report

Chief Morgan gave a rundown of all the resources out on wildland fires stating that we should have a late season with deployments into December. He gave a summary of the two grant towers we are installing at ST 11 and 12.

We have new businesses in town, Slade Roofing, Circle K, and some restaurants. The Water Company project has taken place which was something Mrs. Bowen was interested in.

Buck springs resort project is also starting.

#### V. Announcements.

Stephen Fuller Retired – we are hoping to have a retirement party for him in November.

Next Board Meeting is September 21, 2024

Meeting adjourned at 5:29 pm
Respectfully Submitted
Karen Robbins