



ORIGINAL

# Buckeye Valley Fire District

Melanie Hardy – Chairman, Roger Wallace – Clerk,  
Daniel Richardson – Member, Mike Rose – Member, Paul Hunter – Member  
Mark Burdick – Fire Chief

*"Buckeye Valley Fire District is dedicated to safely serving with integrity, professionalism, compassion and innovation."*

MINUTES  
OF  
August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 6:00 PM  
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

APPROVED  
SEPTEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2021  
JGZ

1. CALL TO ORDER **6:16 pm**

2. ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS

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|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Melanie Hardy – Chairman   | <b>Present</b>        |
| Roger Wallace – Clerk      | <b>Present</b>        |
| Daniel Richardson – Member | Absent                |
| Michael Rose – Member      | <b>Teleconference</b> |
| Paul Hunter – Member       | <b>Teleconference</b> |

Gabe Buldra - James Vincent Group **Present**  
Barry M. Aylstock – Faith, Ledyard & Faith, PLC Absent

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & INVOCATION **Chair Hardy/Clerk Wallace**

4. CALL TO THE PUBLIC **None**

This is the time for the public to comment. Members of the Board may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01(H), action taken as a result of public comment, will be limited to directing Staff to study the matter, responding to any criticism or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.

5. Special recognition and awards presentations.

**Buckeye Valley Fire Board presented a certificate of 15 years of service with to the following recipients:**

**Ben McKinnie - Present**  
**Pete Rodriguez - Present**  
**Al Velasquez – Unable to attend**

6. FINANCIALS

- a. Gabe Buldra presented the BVFD Financial Report, explained key points and expenses. Motion by P. Hunter, 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Hardy to approve the **July 2021** Financial Statements. **Motion carries 4-0**

7. MINUTES

- a. Motion by R. Wallace, 2<sup>nd</sup> M. Rose to approve the Minutes of the **July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021** Regular Fire Board Meeting. No questions from the board. **Motion carries 4-0**

8. OLD BUSINESS

- a. No action taken to adopt and amend the Fire Board by-laws to incorporate a new attendance rule. **Board directed staff to research with other Districts on excused and unexcused attendance policy.**

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Chief Burdick explained the Emergency Service Pay and Executive Leave Policies. Policies reviewed by District Attorney Barry Aylstock and HR Allison Eckert. Motion by M. Hardy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by R. Wallace to approve Human Resources Policy Manual updates to 6.13 Executive Leave and 4.07 Emergency Service Pay. **Motion carries 4-0**
- b. Chief Burdick explained to the Board the details of contract. Motion by P. Hunter, 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Rose to approve the Town of Wickenburg Annual Services Contract and to approve Chief M. Burdick as contract signer. **Motion carries 4-0**

10. INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. L4371 President Dean Mitchell explained the following:
- **Flooding events in the Town of Gila Bend and monetary donations made to the families in need. Chief Burdick added that there are still District members in the Town of Gila Bend assisting.**
  - **L4371 also donated to the Youth Hawks for equipment.**
  - **In October MDA and BATS event will commence.**
  - **L4371 will be doing legislative work, information will be brought forth in a later time.**
- b. Chief presented Monthly service level reports, explained the Fire and EMS calls as well as ambulance hospital times.
- c. COVID-19 Updates provided by Chief Burdick:
- **Pfizer vaccine has been FDA approved**
  - **Covid transports are increasing since last report.**
- d. General District updates provided by Chief Burdick:
- **Wildland- Deployment to Washington State are BVFD members Chief Leas, Mike Godleski, Brenton Tyson and Cogsdill from Sun City Fire on the new BR323 type 3 and BVFD members V. Palitti and A. Ament assisting Sun City Fire on BR131 with Matt Lohr and Bryan Sapp at the California deployment.**
  - **PCH IGA in place with the use of a District Ambulance**

Comments, commendations, report on current events and presentations by Fire Board Chairman, Fire Board Members, Leadership Team, or members of the public. The Fire Board may not propose, discuss, deliberate, or take any legal action on the information presented pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02.

11. ADJOURN

**Motion to adjourn at 7:24 pm by M. Rose, 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Hardy. Motion carries 4-0**