

## Minutes of the September 25, 2014 Commissioners Meeting

1. Meeting was called to order at 6:37 P.M.
2. Pledge of allegiance was recited.
3. Quorum present: Commissioners McLellan, Bonneau, and Gelasco.
4. Presentations: None
5. Minutes of last meeting were reviewed.
6. Financial report approved with changes made.
7. We will have a complete report next month.
8. Accounts payable approved.
9. No expenditures to discuss. Motion made by Commissioner Bonneau to accept consent agenda. Motion seconded by Commissioner Gelasco. Motion carried unanimously.
10. Chief Keys out of town. Report given by Asst. Chief Menendez. We had 252 emergency calls in August and 2052 year to date. The dispatchers will begin screening emergency calls to keep us from wasting resources responding to lock-outs, cars stuck in the sand, cats in trees etc. August stipend totaled \$14,725 with year to date total on the stipend of \$131,725. We will run a trial crew next month with 2 people responding in one of the QRV's instead of a Pumper on medical calls. The driver of the Pumper/Quint will stay at the station in case of a fire call or second emergency. We will see if responding in smaller vehicles to medicals helps cut down on the fuel bill without compromising safety or service. We had a minor accident with Pumper#402 when they hit a parking bollard. We will order a new latch for the door and that will fix the damage. We had a probationary firefighter arrested for DUI and he has been terminated. Communications should switch over to digital sometime next month. When we do go digital we will add a second channel for on scene communications and to be used when we have multiple calls going on at the same time. We tested turn out gear using equipment we borrowed from E.P.F.D. and found various jackets, pants and boots that do not comply. We will take these out of service and donate them to Horizon High School's Fire Tech program. Motion to accept Chief's report made by Commissioner Bonneau and seconded by Commissioner Gelasco. Report accepted.
11. Fire Marshal's report due next month. He attended training today in Las Cruces and brought back some good training videos for the guys to watch. Motion to accept Fire Marshal's report made Commissioner Bonneau and seconded by Commissioner Sanchez.
12. We are working on protocols for ALS to be presented to Dr. Berumen for approval. Commissioner McLellan asked Captain Ames to look into setting up health program for the firefighters pertaining to vaccinations that they should have. Motion to accept EMS report made by Commissioner Gelasco and seconded by Commissioner Bonneau. Report accepted.
13. Motion to table new station made by Commissioner Bonneau and seconded by Commissioner Gelasco. Item tabled.

14. Motion to table citations made by Commissioner McLellan and seconded by Commissioner Gelasco. Item tabled.
15. We will be signing an M.O.U. with Socorro Independent School District regarding the placement of a fire hydrant at their school. While conducting inspections Fire Marshal Guillen discovered that basketball courts are in the way of our access to the fire hydrant in the back of the school. The M.O.U. will state that we may drive across the basketball courts if necessary in the case of an emergency and we will not be liable for any damage incurred. They have not taken any action on filing for an opinion with the Attorney General's Office on our invoice for inspections and plans review. Richard Contreras will send a letter next week demanding action. Motion to accept M.O.U. with S.I.S.D. made by Commissioner Gelasco and seconded by Commissioner Sanchez. Motion to allow Attorney Contreras to proceed with demand letter made by Commissioner McLellan and seconded by Commissioner Gelasco. Both motions carried unanimously.
16. After testing the gear we have the following that will be declared surplus and no longer viable for structure fire use. The gear will be donated to the Horizon High School fire tech program. Motion made by Commissioner Bonneau and seconded by Commissioner Sanchez. Motion carried unanimously.
17. Motion made by Commissioner Bonneau to allow \$28,766.35 for the following equipment for the new Rescue/Pumper; \$10,560.95 for cribbing, \$8,229 for 3ea air/gas monitors, \$750.39 for 12 VDC charging base only for the Thermal Imager, \$3,106.01 for an AED, and \$6,120 for 6ea nozzles. Motion seconded by Commissioner Gelasco. Motion carried unanimously.
18. Motion made by Commissioner Gelasco to approve the purchase of 2 more air packs for the new truck at a cost of \$12,963.64. We had already purchased four of the six needed last month. Motion seconded by Commissioner Sanchez. Motion carried unanimously.
19. Motion to delete Fire Marshals' Conference made by Commissioner McLellan and seconded by Commissioner Gelasco. Item deleted.
20. The Board of Commissioners retired into Executive Session at 7:55 P.M. to discuss personnel guidelines.
21. The CAD lawsuit was discussed. The Board returned at 8:22 P.M... No action taken.
22. Motion to table personnel guidelines made by Commissioner Bonneau and seconded by Commissioner Gelasco. Item tabled.
23. Motion to table CAD lawsuit made by Commissioner Bonneau and seconded by Commissioner Sanchez. Item tabled.
24. National Night Out is October 7 at the Oz Glaze Park. We will have a table and trucks on display.
25. Next meeting set for October 23, 2014 at 6:30 P.M.
26. Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner McLellan. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.