



Sedona Fire District

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SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Station #1 – 2860 Southwest Drive – Sedona – Multipurpose Room
Tuesday, August 30, 2022 / 2:00 PM

~ MINUTES ~

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Pursuant to notice, a special meeting of the Sedona Fire District (SFD) was called to order by Chairman Dave Soto at 2:02 P.M. on Tuesday, August 30, 2022. Executive Assistant Kim Smathers recorded the minutes. A quorum was present, and the meeting, having been duly convened, was ready to proceed with business.

Board Present: Dave Soto – Chairman; Gene McCarthy – Clerk; Al Comello, Helen McNeal, Janet Jablow – Members

Others Present: Fire Chief Jon Trautwein, Division Chief Ed Mezulis, Executive Assistant Kim Smathers.

A. Salute to the Flag of the United States of America.

Chairman Dave Soto led the Pledge of Allegiance

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Possible vote to go into Executive Session for personnel matters pursuant to ARS §38-431.03(A)(1), for legal advice pursuant to ARS §38-431.03(A)(3), and to give instructions to legal counsel pursuant to ARS §38-431.03(A)(4) regarding new Fire Chief terms of employment and possible contract relating to the same.

Chairman Dave Soto made a motion to go into Executive Session for personnel matters pursuant to ARS §38-431.03(A)(1), for legal advice pursuant to ARS §38-431.03(A)(3), and to give instructions to legal counsel pursuant to ARS §38-431.03(A)(4) regarding new Fire Chief terms of employment and possible contract relating to the same. Board Member McNeal seconded, there was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

III. RECONVENE INTO PUBLIC SESSION

Public Session reconvened at 2:42 P.M..

A. Discussion/Possible Action: Motion to approve proposed Fire Chief contract (with modifications recommended by legal counsel) and to tender said contract to Chief Ed Mezulis for his review, approval, and signature.

Chairman Soto made a motion to approve the proposed Fire Chief contract, with modifications recommended by legal counsel, and to tender said contract to Chief Ed Mezulis for his review, approval, and signature. Board Member McNeal seconded, there was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

Board members thanked Chief Trautwein for his service and his dedication to Sedona Fire District, welcomed Chief Mezulis as Chief and expressed their faith in his leadership.

Chief Trautwein thanked the Board and stated that their support for the Chief and the District was exemplary, and that Chief Mezulis will excel in the position of Fire Chief.

Chief Mezulis thanked the Board for their support and reconfirmed that the organization is prepared and ready to continue to move forward.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Soto adjourned the meeting at 2:47 p.m.

Gene McCarthy, Clerk of the Board