

MINUTES

Hidden Valley Fire District Board Meeting

May 18, 2021

Sabino Mountain Clubhouse

4545 N. Sabino Mountain Dr, Tucson, Arizona

1. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Alter at 6:00 PM.

Board members present: Lee Alter, Greg Milward, Penny Larkin

Board Members Absent: None

District Residents Present: Trevor Mulligan, Norie Nelson, Richard Flores

Others Present: Chief Karl Isselhard, Rural Metro
Jay Karlik, Assistant Chief, Rural Metro
Tim Torres, Rural Metro
Thomas Benavidez, Esq, District Legal Counsel

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes from the Board meeting held on May 6, 2021.

Mr. Milward motioned approval of the May 6, 2021, minutes. Ms. Larkin seconded the motion.

The minutes were unanimously approved.

3. Discussion Concerning Renewal of the Contract for Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services with Rural Metro Corporation. The Board is in the process of negotiating a renewal of the contract for emergency medical and fire protection services with Rural Metro Corporation.

- a. Chief Isselhard of Rural Metro is expected to make a presentation to the Board concerning Rural Metro's desired increase in the fee charged to the District for services. He may also discuss the standards of cover for the District and describe the services provided to the District's residents.
- b. Members of the Board may ask questions of Chief Isselhard.
- c. Members of the public may ask questions concerning fire protection and emergency medical services and the contract renewal process.

Mr. Alter welcomes Chief Isselhard and other representatives from Rural Metro and asked Chief Isselard to provide a brief overview of Rural Metro services and the relationship between Rural Metro and the Hidden Valley Fire District. Chief Isselhard provided handouts for attendees (attached to these Minutes). After questions and comments from

board members, Mr. Alter opened the meeting to comments from residents of the Hidden Valley Fire District.

Trevor Mulligan, Norie Nelson and Richard Flores made brief comments and asked questions of Chief Iselhard.

Richard Flores asked Chief Iselhard about Rural Metro's ambulance services and the predominant types of calls that originate from within the District. Mr. Flores also asked about assistance with *Firewise* programs. Chief Iselhard addressed Mr. Flores questions.

Norie Nelson made statements of appreciation and support for the services provided by Rural Metro.

Trevor Mulligan made statements and asked questions about the staffing levels at Rural Metro's station no. 73. He indicated that he wants to ensure that personnel and equipment qualified for Advanced Life Support [ALS] services are always available, 24-7. Mr. Mulligan also indicated that there is no ADA compliant parking available at station 73. He invited the board members to visit the station. He indicated that he works there.

Mr. Mulligan suggested that ALS staffing should be specified in the service agreement with the District. He also stated that the water tender vehicle is typically not staffed by Rural Metro. He made statements and asked questions about the subscription rates Rural Metro charges and how those rates are determined.

Chief Iselhard made statements and addressed some of Mr. Mulligan's questions. He discussed the difficulties of maintaining constant staffing levels.

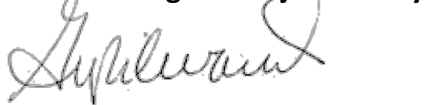
Chief Iselhard and Chairman Alter discussed the status of the contract negotiations between the District and Rural Metro.

Mr. Benavidez briefly discussed the contract negotiation process and suggested potential language to address some of the issues raised.

4. Discussion Concerning future Board meeting dates.

. Alter informed those in attendance that the next meeting would be held the week of June 1st, 2021.

The meeting was adjourned by Mr. Alter at 7:15 p.m.



Greg Milward, Board Clerk