

MINUTES, ARIVACA FIRE DISTRICT

February 1, 2019

The Arivaca Fire District Governing Board met in Special session Friday, February 1, 2019 at the Arivaca Fire District Station, 16091 West Universal Ranch Road, Arivaca, Arizona for a regular board meeting.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Shannon Bloom called the meeting to order at 9 AM

ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS

Present: Tangye Beckham
Justin Gibson
Shannon Bloom
Beth Lusby
Absent: Mark Wiley

2. REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

- A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – MOMENT OF SILENCE
All present joined in.

3. SPECIAL BUSINESS MEETING

- A. Public Discussion/Possible Motion/Action on approving Pima County License between Pima County and the Arivaca Fire District. This gives Arivaca Fire District a non-exclusive right to operate wildland fire mitigations projects to prevent wildfires from spreading from public lands onto private lands. This license is good for 5 years.

Chief Austin stated this was the same permit that the Fire District and Pima County entered into over the last two years for fuels reduction around the townsite. The old agreement was called a Right of Way. Chief Austin stated the state will do the fuels reduction around the townsite on both Pima County lands and State lands with no charge to us over the next 5 years. Therefore, the Fire District is not responsible for fire mitigation. However, I cannot sign this agreement with board approval.

Beth made a motion to approve the Pima County License and Tangye seconded.

Justin asked about our liability.

Chief Austin commented that if a state person gets injured, he assumed the state would cover it.

Justin asked about other lands and if we had to enter into an agreement with Santa Cruz County.

Chief Austin commented that this was just around the townsite.

Shannon called for a vote. Motion approved 4-0

4. ADJOURMENT

Beth made a motion to adjourn and Shannon seconded.

Shannon adjourned the meeting at 9:06 AM

February 22, 2019

Shannon Bloom, Chair

Tangye Beckham, Clerk