



## Lake Mohave Ranchos Fire District

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### MINUTES OF THE LAKE MOHAVE RANCHOS FIRE DISTRICT PUBLIC MEETING

November 19, 2013

#### Agenda:

##### A. Call to Order.

The following agenda items are scheduled for public comment and subsequent consideration by the administrator at the meeting. Action or decisions may or may not be taken on any or all items. Agenda items may or may not be considered in the order listed:

1. Report on the financial condition of LMRFD; financial recovery plan; fiscal 2014 budget.
2. Fire chief's report on LMRFD operational matters.
3. Call to the Public.  
*A public body may make an open call to the public during a public meeting, subject to reasonable time, place and manner restrictions, to allow individuals to address the public body on any issue within the jurisdiction of the public body. At the conclusion of an open call to the public, individual members of the public body may respond to criticism made by those who have addressed the public body, may ask staff to review a matter or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda. However, members of the public body shall not discuss or take legal action on matters raised during an open call to the public unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action.*
4. Consideration of items for the agenda of the Lake Mohave Ranchos Fire District's next scheduled meeting and or a special meeting called by the administrator for the purpose of carrying out its powers and duties.

##### B. Adjourn.

#### Called to Order - Meeting being taped:

Administrator John Flynn called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.

1. Report on the financial condition of LMRFD; financial recovery plan; fiscal 2014 budget:

John Flynn reported that the Line of Credit with Wells Fargo was paid in full last month, and that \$140,000 had been paid on the loan with the Mohave County. The balance owing to the County after that payment, Mr. Flynn reported, is approximately \$360,000. He said more is to be paid on the County loan as tax revenue continues to come in. He left enough in the operating account so the District won't need to take any draws for a few pay cycles. Mr. Flynn stated also, that the first half tax collection was better than anticipated.



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Mr. Flynn reported that the LMRFD is currently undergoing its annual audit. Accounting Professionals, who audit Fire Districts around the state, is the firm doing the audit.

### 2. Fire chief's report on LMRFD operational matters:

Chief Patrick Moore reported that the Community Block Development Grant he had pursued to purchase a new ambulance for the District is not going to happen. The LMRFD does not qualify due to its financial condition. He and John are still working on getting an ambulance because the need is critical.

Chief Moore reported that Aaron Green, State Forester, will be here next week to finalize the return of State Forestry trucks still in the District's possession.

### 3. Call to the Public.

- a. A Meadview resident asked about staffing at the station in Meadview, saying they currently have personnel there about 4 days of the week and nothing for 3 days. Chief Moore stated that he does not foresee it getting much better in the near future. There has been a full time person hired to replace one who left, but there are time-off requirements for personnel that must be met. He stated that it is difficult to get anyone to come to work for the wages that the District is currently able to pay, and that we are lucky to have the people we do have.
- b. A Meadview resident asked about the status of radio communication equipment. Chief Moore responded that they are always working on improving radio communications, but the District doesn't have the funding necessary to build a tower to put a repeater on. He has a consultant coming in to see what can be done with the existing equipment. There are also FCC Licensing requirements that he and John Flynn are working on bringing into compliance. Chief Moore stated that there are a lot of broken parts that need to be fixed before they can move forward with the radio situation. They continue to work on it.
- c. A question was asked about the status of John Flynn's query to Arizona Department of Health Services. about shrinking the LMRFD's ambulance Certificate of Necessity to meet the Fire District boundaries. Mr. Flynn stated that there was no decision from D.H.S. yet. They need someone else to take Highway 93 before they will let our Fire District out of that responsibility. Mr. Flynn is also looking into a mutual aid type of agreement to help cover Hwy 93 so that our only crew isn't taken out of district for ambulance calls on the highway.
- d. Chief Moore was asked about the status of annexing County roads. John Flynn responded that he had put a request in to the Mohave County Attorney to annex County Roads in the District.



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d. John Flynn reported that there will be a meeting Thursday at 9:00 a.m. at the Capitol regarding the creation of a County Fire Department. He reported that all the counties are opposed, primarily because of their constitutional spending limits, which wouldn't make it financially feasible.

4. Consideration of items for the agenda of the Lake Mohave Ranchos Fire District's next scheduled meeting and or a special meeting called by the administrator for the purpose of carrying out its powers and duties. NONE

B. John Flynn Adjourned the meeting at 1:50 P.M.

**Adjourned to Executive session per A.R.S. 38-431.03A:** None

**Date and time of next meeting:** TENTATIVELY, Monday, December 16, 2013, at Station #41, 16126 Pierce Ferry Road, Dolan Springs, AZ, at 1:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by: John Flynn, Administrator