

Minutes of May 9, 2023 Special Meeting

The Fire Board of the Sherwood Forest Estates Fire District met in Special Session on May 9, 2023 at 6:00 PM. Meeting was held at the fire house at 450 Little John Road, Williams, Arizona. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the purchase of radios for the fire fighters and was subject to Board consideration, discussion, approval, or other action.

1. Call to order @ 6:00 PM

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call – All Board members (Steve Diefenderfer and Paul Cook attended by phone) plus Chief Moede

4. Chief Moede requested board approval to purchase replacement radios for the fire fighters. The present radios are reaching the end of their functional lives and, after extensive research, he decided that rather than purchase new radios at very high expense, he had found slightly used ones for a much more affordable price.

A. The need for our fire fighters to be in communication with each other, as well as other fire departments in our region, is beyond question.

B. Our current radios are experiencing a 75% failure rate due mostly to battery failure and replacement batteries are no longer available to purchase.

C. The cost of ten replacement radios would be \$4,204.94 and this is over the Chief's automatic authority of \$2,500.

D. The current budget amount for radios is \$10,000.

5. After much discussion, Paul C. made a motion to purchase the radios as presented by Chief Moede and Rodger A. seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to accept the motion.

6. Call to the Public – Mary Anderson was present.

7. Adjournment – Rodger A. made a motion to adjourn and Paul C. seconded the motion. Board voted unanimously to adjourn @ 6:15 PM.

Next regular meeting date May 16, 2023 at 6 PM.