**Minutes of March 19, 2024 Meeting**

The Fire Board of the Sherwood Forest Estates Fire District met in Regular session on March 19, 2024 at 5:00 PM. Meeting was held at the fire house at 450 Little John Road, Williams, Arizona. The following topics and any variables thereto, were subject to Board consideration, discussion, approval, or other action.

1. **Call to Order** @ 5:00 PM

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

3. **Roll Call**: Steve Diefenderfer, Deb Hamby, Rodger Anderson, Walt Krushinsky, Paul Cook, Asst. Chief Pruett and Brie McDowell.

4. **Approval of Minutes**

a. February 2024 Board Meeting: Rodger A. made a motion to accept the minutes and Walt K. seconded. The board voted unanimously to accept the minutes.

5. **Treasurer’s Report**

a. Review February, financial details: Paul C. made a motion to accept the financial details and Rodger A. seconded. The board voted unanimously to approve the financial details.

6. **Reports**

1. **Correspondence:** Mail from the IRS indicated the district owed $1,313.46. Walt K. as Treasurer informed the board that this had been paid.

* The County Elections Board requested a “Notice of Election” for the August 6 election, 2024. Secretary Paul C. informed the board that this had been returned to the county with no election to be held on that date.
* Annual report to the county due. Brie M. reported that the report had already been sent.

b. **Auxiliary**: None

**Fire Chief:**

-The Chief reported that two in-district medical calls were responded to.

* On March 15, 2024 suspicious activity was reported by a resident involving a van with four occupants loading boxes a distance behind the firehouse. Law enforcement was called and three agencies responded (CCSO, WPD, High Country Fire along with two fire board members. On that same date Chief McDowell called a community meeting with 28 residents attending, to describe the incident and findings. Chief McDowell’s written report is retained in the minutes’ records.
* All nine department vehicles are in service with several having minor work continuing.
* Asst. Chief Pruett’s National Bank of AZ departmental credit card is “in the mail.”
* Received additional Naloxone (treatment for fentanyl OD) from a state grant.

**(*For more detail see Chief McDowell’s report on the fire district’s web site*)**

d. **Board Report:** Walt K. and Chief McDowell are working on the department’s budget.

e. **POA:** Cathy C. (President) reported the Auxiliary’s annual Memorial Day pancake breakfast is scheduled for May 25th and the annual POA community meeting is scheduled the following day on May 26th

7. **Old Business**

a. **Annual Report:** Done

b. **Credit card for Chuck P:** (see Chief’s Report)

c. **Up the limit of the credit cards:** This item will be carried over to the next meeting.

8. **New Business**

a. **Power lines and propane:** A discussion of property power lines and propane tanks occurred concerning danger to fire fighters responding to a fire.

b. **Incident report from Chief:** (See Chief’s Report)

c. **Turnout quote and request:** Chief McDowell informed the board of the purchase of new turnout gear for the fire fighters.

9. **Call to the Public – \*Comments shall be limited to 3 minutes:**

Kathy K. reported a “Last Call” for Jon Allen to be observed in June or July. Jon was a community icon as both a fire fighter and contributing member of the community. Services will be April 20 from 11:00 – 1:00 in Mesa, AZ. She also discussed a way for community members to communicate with each other in an emergency.

10. **Adjournment**: Rodger A. made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Paul C. Meeting was adjourned at 5:45.

**Next meeting date Apr 16, 2024 at 5 PM**.