

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
MESCAL-J6 FIRE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD
HELD ON Wednesday, May 24th, 2017 at 6:30 PM**

The meeting was called to order at 1833, by Board Chair Mark Lee. Present at roll call were Board Members Mark Lee, Jerry Conrad, Sue Dupee and Owen Kieleley, with Mary Bowen absent.

- Item 1: Five-Year Plan 2017-2018: Chief Moran gave a summary of the 5 year plan (attached); he stated that he had removed the items from the previous 5 year plan that the district had accomplished this last year. He also stated that the helicopter-pad that had been a priority last year will not be as much of a priority this year because of the cost. Mark Lee recommended striking item 5 on the 2018-2019 section of the 5 year plan because he thought that that item had already been accomplished. Jerry Conrad made a motion to approve the Draft 5-year plan with the changes noted, Sue Dupee seconded. Motion Passed 4-0.
- Item 2: Operations and Maintenance Budget 2017-2018: Chief Moran referenced the historical net assessed values for Cochise and Pima counties (attached). He stated that the property values in the area have declined. The board reviewed the 2017-2018 Operations and Maintenance budget (attached). Mark Lee recommended adding a line item for the cost of public records requests to help the District track the cost of the requests. He stated that it would be beneficial for the community to have an idea of the costs that are associated with such requests. Chief Moran stated that line item 7010.2 needs to be \$100 instead of \$1000. He also stated that he would like to move the remaining \$900 to the line item 6620 (electric). Jerry Conrad made a motion to accept the Draft Operations and Maintenance budget with changes noted as prepared by Chief Moran Owen Kieleley seconded. Motion carried 4-0.
- Item 3: Reserve Budget 2017-2018: Chief Moran requested that there were a correction to the date heading on the Draft Reserve Budget from 2016/2017 to 2017-2018. Jerry Conrad made motion to approve the Draft Reserve budget with changes noted, Sue Dupee seconded. Motion carried 4-0.
- Item 4: Call to the Public: Ms. Mary McCool stated her concerns about the Districts financial practices. She also questioned the qualifications of the Districts accountant Keith Barth, and wanted to ensure that all of his work is being checked by a licensed CPA. She also provided a packet that highlighted her concerns in greater detail. (Attached)
- Item 5: Adjourn: Owen Kieleley made a motion to adjourn at 1925, Jerry Conrad seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Minutes compiled and submitted by:



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