



REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE MESCAL-J6 FIRE DISTRICT BOARD  
Wednesday, November 19, 2025, at 6:30pm  
98 N. Oak Drive Benson, AZ 85602  
MINUTES

**Call to Order** 6:31 pm

**Roll Call**

WADE TEMPLE Present; SONJA SALCIDO Present; DANA LAW Present; DEBI WISE Present; CHIEF NIED Present

A Quorum is present

**Item 1: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**Item 2: BOARD COMMENTS/CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Board comments are limited to items within the Board's jurisdiction. No action will be taken. (A.R.S. § 38-431.01(H)) board members may comment on matters within the Board's jurisdiction.

Discussion:

Chairman Dan Law stated that proper decorum is mandatory in meeting. Chairman Law also stated that the Mescal J6 Fire District staff works 3 days a week, 8 hours a day. Much of the information the public asks for via public records requests, are readily available in the financial reports that are in the packets given to the public at the meetings, or are posted on the website. Mr. Law stated that from the dates of 8.8.24 to 11.4.2025 Public records requests have so far cost the District \$4,515.87 between staff time and Attorney fees. Mr. Law stated he will be providing this information going forward, at every regular meeting.

Bob Murrey submitted his request to speak on the sign-up sheet and addressed the board

**Item 3: APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Review, discussion, and possible action to approve the Draft minutes of the Regular Meeting, October 29, 2025 and special meeting of November 12

Motion to approve the minutes made by Debi Wise: 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wade Temple.

Discussion:

Debi Wise stated the November 12 Special Meeting minutes needed to be added for approval, and would like to make an amendment to the November 12 Special Meeting minutes to state:

Item 2 ~~Suspend~~ Recess (Time) ~~Resume~~ Reconvene (Time).

Voting: Dana Law Yes, Sonja Salcido Yes, Wade Temple Yes, Deborah Wise Yes



**Item 4: APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT**

Review, discussion, and possible board action to approve the October 2025 Financial Reports, as prepared by Natalie Galgano and/or Elizabeth Riopel of Municipal Accounts & Consulting and other potential cash flow financial decisions including potential Board training on budgets.

Motion to approve the financial report made by Debi Wise; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sonja Salcido.

Discussion: Wade Temple asked for clarification on if the PMI Insurance payment was a quarterly payment.

Voting: Dana Law Yes, Sonja Salcido Yes, Wade Temple Yes, Deborah Wise Yes

**Item 5: EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION**

Lt. Ron Soto was honored and celebrated for his 15 years of service with the Mescal J6 Fire District.

Discussion: Mr. Soto has been with the District the longest and is also the District Chaplain and received his 15-year pin.

**Item 6: UPDATE ON EXPENDITURES FOR RESCUE TOOLS, TRAINING, AND EXTRACTOR**

Motion to hear the update made by Wade Temple; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Debi Wise.

Chief's update: Clarification of funding. The Mescal J6 Fire District received from the Governor's Office of Highway Safety \$30,000 towards the Districts rescue tools purchase. The tools cost approximately \$30,000. Part of the money from the \$30,000, approximately \$4,400 is set aside for payroll for training, which left \$25,600 towards tools. The unused portion of the grant from SSVEC was used to fill the purchase gap with SSVEC permission. AK-Chin grant: \$8501.93 extractor cost. Board of Supervisors approved the County to be the pass-through account. Equipment upgrade was given to the District at no additional cost.

No action taken.

**Item 7: EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Motion to recess the public meeting and convene into executive session pursuant to A.R.S. § 3431.03(A)(1) for discussion or consideration of appointment of a public officer to fill the vacancy on the Mescal J6 Fire District Governing Board made by Debi Wise; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wade Temple.

Voting: Dana Law Yes, Sonja Salcido Yes, Wade Temple Yes, Deborah Wise Yes

RECESS REGULAR MEETING 7:05 pm



RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING 7:10 pm

**Item 8: APPOINTMENT OF NEW BOARD MEMBER.**

Motion to appoint William Clowers to fill the vacant seat on the Mescal-J6 Fire District Governing Board for the remainder of the unexpired term ending December 31, 2028 effective immediately made by Debi Wise; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sonja Salcido.

No discussion.

William Clowers was appointed to the Mescal-J6 Fire District Governing Board to fulfill the term ending December 31, 2028 with all permissions and responsibilities of the Board position. Chief Neid administered Mr. Clowers his oath of office and Mr. Clowers took his seat at the Board table.

Voting: Dana Law Yes, Sonja Salcido Yes, Wade Temple Yes, Deborah Wise Yes

**Item 9: CHIEF'S REPORT**

Update on district operations

No Action Taken

**Item 10: FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE**

December 17, 2025 one week earlier due to Christmas.

**Item 11: FUTURE AGENDA ITEM(S)**

None brought forth.

**Item 12: ADJOURN 7:26 pm**

Motion to adjourn made by Wade Temple; 2<sup>nd</sup> William Clowers.

Voting: Dana Law Yes, Sonja Salcido Yes, Wade Temple Yes, Deborah Wise Yes, William Clowers Yes.

Minutes compiled and submitted by

Deborah Wise

Mescal-J6 Fire District Board Clerk