

**Minutes to the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Sonoita-Elgin Fire District
Monday, 24 June 2019
9 a.m.**

Call to Order

Roll Call – All Board members present

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to the Public: (public comment period on FY2019-2020 Budget) – none

Review and approval of the governing Board minutes: Webber – remove the “the” in front of Archibald in the last paragraph of the first page. Motion to approve made by Archibald, seconded by Reba; motion carried unanimously.

Chief Report – Chief presented the monthly stats to the Board; 51 runs, 258 for the year – we’re right on track for the year; paid in full on all our wildland billing; state forester now has \$20 million to use to pay districts for their fire billing; new grant - working on a 90/10 grant that we’ll know about in November, and a 75/25 grant that we should know about in a few weeks. We also wrote a \$7,000 grant for updated our 2007 CWPP to bring it current, and a grant to Globe for 4 pair of turnouts (a private company). Palominas is going well, we have our engine ordered. The two Palominas Board members you met are working on setting a date to come here in July. We met with the fire chiefs of SCC, dispatch and others to discuss our current dispatching issues; we’re making a little progress but I don’t think we’ll see anything change really fast. BC & I have met with Tunnel Springs residents to discuss the dispatch issues with the Windmill Fire. We were dispatched to Highway 82 MP 29, and it was 36 minutes into the call before SCC dispatch gave us the correct address, then once they gave us the address, we couldn’t understand the words they were saying. We could understand the numbers, but not the name of the road. It was a language/pronunciation issue. Sheriff’s office being cooperative? (Johnson) Sheriff is being somewhat cooperative being that this is an election year. There was further discussion outside of the topic relating to notifying the community of events and reactivating a community group that can be activated during an event to help the public with emergencies. Chief presented a copy of the updated capital expenditure document for the Board. And last month someone asked about a policy for the use of vehicles that we take home. We do have a policy in place for that & we sign de minimis use contracts for vehicles we take home. Johnson – on the dispatch issue, is Chief Horvath on that. Chief – Yes. Johnson – I know that’s her hot button.

Financial Report – V. Rutter MS Rutter presented the financial documents (Balance Sheet, Profit & Loss Statement and the Cashflow Forecast) to the Board. There were no surprises at the end of May. SEFD is in good shape for the coming close of the fiscal year. Motion to accept financials as presented was made by Johnson, seconded by Dorney; motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment: motion to adjourn was made by Webber, seconded by Dorney; motion carried unanimously.

Minutes approved on Monday, July 22, 2019, _____, Board Clerk.
Susan Archibald

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