



**ARIZONA FIRE & MEDICAL AUTHORITY
NORTH COUNTY FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT
SOUTH COUNTY FIRE & MEDICAL DISTRICT
JOINT GOVERNING BOARDS WORKSHOP MINUTES**

January 24, 2023

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER / AFFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Board Chairman Wilson called the Joint Governing Board Meeting to order on Tuesday, January 24, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was held in person and virtually.

Members Present: Arizona Fire & Medical Authority Board Chairman David Wilson, Board Clerk John Crawford, Board Members Richard Bookie, Karen Gueltzow, and Tony Sambol; South County Fire & Medical District Board Chairman Diane Price and Board Member Bill Becker; and North County Fire & Medical District Board Member Russell Smith

Members Absent: South County Fire & Medical District Jack Arend; North County Fire & Medical District James Young

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Board Chairman Wilson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

There was no response to Call to the Public.

4. FISCAL YEAR -END 2021-22 ANNUAL AUDIT

A. Discussion and Presentation Relating to the South County Fire & Medical District Fiscal Year-End 2021/22 Annual Audit Report – Jay Parke, Walker & Armstrong, LLP.

- B. Discussion and Presentation Relating to the North County Fire & Medical District Fiscal Year-End 2021/22 Annual Audit Report – Jay Parke, Walker & Armstrong, LLP.
- C. Discussion and Presentation Relating to the Arizona Fire & Medical Authority Fiscal Year-End 2021/22 Annual Audit Report – Jay Parke, Walker & Armstrong, LLP.

Curtis Bright and Jaye Park, Walker & Armstrong, LLP presented the Fiscal Year-End 2021/22 Annual Audit Reports for the Arizona Fire & Medical Authority and the North County Fire & Medical District and South County Fire & Medical District. Mr. Bright noted that there were no significant findings or areas of concern during the audit process. Mr. Bright explained that the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System liability is still reflected in the audit for Fiscal Year ending 2022, but that it will not appear as a liability for the upcoming fiscal year.

Mr. Bright thanked Staff for their work in helping Walker & Armstrong, LLP complete the audit work and noted the job well done by Staff.

North County Fire & Medical District Board Member James Young arrived at 9: 45 a.m.

5. CURRENT EVENT SUMMARIES AND REPORTS

- A. Operations Division (Including Operations/Deployment and Emergency Medical Services/Training) – Current Event Summary for December 2022.

Assistant Chief DeChant presented the Operations Division Monthly Report, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Director Chris Ells presented the EMS report update, and Division Chief Spencer Snyder presented the Training report update for the month of December 2022. All Board Member questions were answered.

South County Fire & Medical District Board Member Jack Arend arrived at 9:51 a.m.

- B. Community Risk Management Division – Current Event Summary for December 2022.

Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal Eric Kriwer presented the Community Risk Management Division Monthly Report for December 2022 and answered all questions from Board Members.

In response to inquiries, Deputy Chief Kriwer stated that Staff is exploring options to bring the Lockbox Program to our more rural regions in Tonopah and Buckeye Valley. Currently, there is no Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) for the Authority. Across the developed Valley there is a questionable usefulness for such a program, but perhaps more value in the rural communities. However, there is not currently any program established or resources provided for it in the current Operating Budget.

- C. Business Division (including Planning/Tech Services/Emergency Management/Support Services, Financial Services, Administration, and Human Resources) – Current Event Summary for December 2022.

Assistant Chief Mary Dalton, Human Resources Director Shauna Fisher, and Administrative Director Dusty Christopherson presented the Business Division Monthly Report for December 2022 and answered all questions from Board Members.

D. Arizona Fire & Medical Authority Chapter of the United Sun Cities Firefighters Association – International Association of Firefighters Local 3573 Updates.

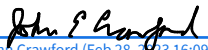
Captain Johnny Padilla provided updates on the activities and events of Local 3573 for the month of December 2022, noting that the labor group voted unanimously to merge BVFD Chapter into the AFMA Chapter. There is a significant amount of work left to be completed to effect this merger but things are positively moving forward. Captain Padilla noted labor’s support for the CIP requests on this months agenda and thanked the Governing Board for the increased spotlight on the most recent training efforts.

E. Correspondence Review – Correspondence received or sent by the Governing Boards/Fire Chief which would be of interest to the Governing Boards will be reviewed by the AFMA Board Clerk.

Board Clerk Crawford reviewed all correspondence received during the month of December 2022.

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 11:34 a.m.


John Crawford (Feb 28, 2023 16:09 MST)

John Crawford, Board Clerk


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