

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
MOUNT LEMMON FIRE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

A public meeting of the Mount Lemmon Fire District Governing Board was convened on May 20, 2024, at Mount Lemmon Fire Station 310 located at 13170 N. Oracle Control Road, Mt. Lemmon, Arizona.

The following matters were discussed, considered, and decided at the meeting:

**1. Call to Order** at 4:00 PM by Chairman Perchorowicz.

<b>Roll Call-</b> Chairman John Perchorowicz	present
Clerk Todd Canale	virtual
Treasurer Teri Carpenter	present
Member Tony Mazza	absent
Member Tom McNurlin	absent

Also attending- Fire Chief Joe Gunia, Mitch Cusolito

**2. Date of next meetings: June 24, July 15, August 19, 2024, at 4:00 PM.**

**3. Call to Public**

- None

**4. Approval of the Minutes**

**A. April 15, 2024, Regular meeting.**

- There were a few minor corrections.

-Motion by Treasurer Carpenter, second by Clerk Canale to approve Minutes of the April 15, 2024, Regular meeting as corrected. Motion passed 3-0.

**B. April 15, 2024, Executive meeting.**

-Motion by Clerk Canale, seconded by Treasurer Carpenter to approve Minutes of the April 15, 2024, Executive meeting as corrected. Motion passed 3-0.

**5. Reports and Correspondence:**

**A. Financial Report March 2024**

- There was a brief discussion

-Motion by Treasurer Carpenter, second by Clerk Canale to approve April 2024 financial report. Motion passed 3-0.

**B. Fire Chief's Report-** Reviewed by the Board. Report on file.

- Chief Gunia added that Trico did an annual rate tariff review. There were no changes.

**6. New Business**

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**A. Cooperative Services IGA with Drexel Heights Fire District FY 2024/25**

- The agreement was presented by Chief Gunia. There was a brief discussion.

-Motion by Treasurer Carpenter, seconded by Clerk Canale to approve renewing Cooperative Services IGA with Drexel Heights Fire District for FY 2024/25 as written. Motion passed 3-0.

**B. Dispatch IGA with Northwest Fire District for 5 years**

- Chief Gunia pointed out that the five-year agreement has an annual increase of 2 percent.

-Motion by Clerk Canale, second by Treasurer Carpenter to approve entering a five-year Dispatch IGA with Northwest Fire District as written. Motion passed 3-0.

**C. Benavidez Law Group, P.C. Letter of Engagement**

- Chief Gunia presented the engagement letter and pointed out that there hasn't been a fee increase in over 10 years.

-Motion by Chairman Perchorowicz, second by Clerk Canale to approve renewing our agreement with Benavidez Law Group. Motion passed 3-0.

**D. 2024/25 Budget**

- Chief Gunia presented the draft budget, and pointed out the increased revenue, increased wages, and hiring one full-time firefighter. There was a brief discussion. Chief Gunia was asked to send out a side-by-side comparison of FY 2024 and 2025 budgets. A public hearing will be held at June 24<sup>th</sup> board meeting.

**7. Unfinished Business**

**A. Station 310 Remodel/Expansion**

- Chairman Perchorowicz updated the board on the progress of the station remodel/expansion. There was a brief discussion.

**8. Adjournment**

- Motion by Treasurer Carpenter, second by Clerk Canale, meeting adjourned at 4:42 PM.

**Dated this 24th day of June 2024.**

**Mount Lemmon Fire District Governing Board**

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Chairman Perchorowicz

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Treasurer Carpenter

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Clerk Canale