

## MINUTES

**Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority  
Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority Board of Directors  
CA Regular Meeting  
Monday, October 24, 2022, 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority, Administration, 8603 E. Eastridge Drive,  
Prescott Valley**

### **In-Person Attendance**

Darlene Packard; Dave Dobbs; Dave Tharp; Kathy Goodman; Matt Zurcher;  
Rick Anderson; Scott A Freitag; Susanne Dixon

### **Remote Attendance**

Lorette Stewart; Nicolas Cornelius

## **NOTICE OF MEETING**

### 1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS

**Chair Zurcher called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.**

### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**Chair Zurcher led the Pledge of Allegiance.**

### 3. CORRESPONDENCE AND PRESENTATIONS

#### A. Letters from the Public and Board Recognition

**Chair Zurcher presented Kaden Wagner with a certificate of appreciation for his composure and quick-thinking during an emergency incident that occurred in September.**

### 4. REPORTS

#### A. Board Member Reports

**Clerk Packard reported that she nominated the CAFMA Honor Guard for the 'Heroes Among Us' award from Bethany's Gait, a local non-profit. She also reported that both she and Chief Freitag were mentioned in the Cronkite Report within a piece on Proposition 310. Chief Freitag added that he was speaking to the press as a representative of the Arizona Fire Chiefs Association, not as the Fire Chief of CAFMA.**

**Chair Zurcher reported that he and Chief Freitag presented at a Granville Community meeting last week.**

#### B. Division Reports

**Chief Freitag thanked all who helped and supported the efforts with Captain Zach Fields' candlelight vigil and memorial service. The mission to honor Captain Fields and his service to the community was successful.**

5. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

**There were no public comments.**

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve Regular Session Minutes - September 26, 2022
- B. Approve Executive Session Minutes - September 26, 2022
- C. Approve General Fund Financial Statements
- D. Approve Fire Protection Agreements: McCarthy

**Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.**

**Director Stewart exited the meeting at 5:07 p.m.**

Move: Dave Dobbs Second: Rick Anderson Status: Passed

Yes: Dave Dobbs, Darlene Packard, Matt Zurcher, Lorette Stewart, Rick Anderson

7. VOTE TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

**Motion to go into Executive Session at 5:08 p.m.**

Move: Darlene Packard Second: Dave Dobbs Status: Passed

Yes: Dave Dobbs, Darlene Packard, Matt Zurcher, Rick Anderson

- A. Legal Advice Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(4) Regarding SpeedConnect Sublease Agreement
- B. Legal Advice Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(4) Regarding Priority Ambulance Service Contract
- C. Legal Advice Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(4) Regarding Priority Ambulance Lease Contract
- D. Legal Advice Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) Regarding AMR Communications

8. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the SpeedConnect Sublease Agreement

**Reconvened into Open Session at 5:58 p.m.**

**Clerk Packard directed Attorney Cornelius to move forward.**

- B. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Priority Ambulance Service Contract

**Chair Zurcher directed Attorney Cornelius to continue as discussed.**

9. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Priority Ambulance Lease Contract

**Chair Zurcher directed Attorney Cornelius to move forward with negotiations.**

B. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding AMR Communications

**Chair Zurcher gave Attorney Cornelius direction to continue moving forward.**

C. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Station 58 Gym Expansion Project

**Chief Rose explained why the expansion is needed, and that Haley Construction has provided a final bid totaling \$74,000. He stated that there are some funds in the Capital budget that will not be expended this year that would cover the increase.**

**Motion to approve the use of Haley Construction for the Station 58 gym expansion project with a budget not to exceed \$80,000.**

Move: Rick Anderson Second: Dave Dobbs Status: Passed

Yes: Dave Dobbs, Darlene Packard, Matt Zurcher, Rick Anderson

D. Discussion Regarding FY 2021 SAFER Grant Application

**Chief Freitag advised the Board that CAFMA did not receive the SAFER grant this year. He reported that the Agency hired 10 firefighter recruits for the upcoming academy, both to cover vacancies as well as potential attrition.**

**Chair Zurcher inquired as to how many agencies in the county received a SAFER grant this year; Chief Tharp answered that only the City of Phoenix and Lake Havasu Fire received SAFER grant funds this year. All other Arizona applications were denied.**

10. ADJOURNMENT

**Motion to adjourn at 6:04 p.m.**

**This meeting as adjourned in the memory of Captain Zach Fields.**

Move: Darlene Packard Second: Dave Dobbs Status: Passed

Yes: Dave Dobbs, Darlene Packard, Matt Zurcher, Rick Anderson