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Central Yavapai / Chino Valley / Central Arizona Fire and Medical Joint Special Budget Meeting Monday, May 22, 2023, 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority, Administration, 8603 E. Eastridge Drive, Prescott Valley

In-Person Attendance

Andy Reinhardt; Carrie Zambrano; Cyndy Dicus; Dave Dobbs; Dave Tharp; Denise Krizo; Gayle Pickett; Jodie Denike; Lorette Stewart; Matt Zurcher; Pete Gordon; Rick Anderson; Susanne Dixson

Remote Attendance

Nicolas Cornelius

Not In Attendance

Scott A Freitag

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS

A. Chino Valley Fire District Board of Directors

Chair Dicus called the Chino Valley Fire District meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

B. Central Yavapai Fire District Board of Directors

Chair Zurcher called the Central Yavapai Fire District meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

C. Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority Board of Directors

Chair Zurcher called the Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority meeting to order at 4:31 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Zurcher led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

There were no public comments.

- 4. OLD BUSINESS
 - A. Discussion Regarding Tentative Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budgets

Chief Tharp explained that multiple versions of the budget were provided, as requested at the last meeting. He made note of the amount allocated to the Capital Reserve Fund in the originally proposed budget, and explained what the tax increase will fund, including an increase to Paramedic pay and several new positions. He stated that Staff's recommendation is to stick with the original increase of 10-cents, so as to not undermine our credibility with the public. He reminded the boards that after the tentative budget is approved, it can be decreased, but it cannot be increased.

Chair Zurcher commented that our Insurance Services Office (ISO) Rating increase has contributed to the tax rate increase. Chief Tharp confirmed, and added that while we can correct some things, we cannot control the water supply. We have begun conversations with the Town on this matter.

Director Reinhardt asked if the approved increase would be in effect for the next three (3) years. Chief Tharp replied that the increase would be for one (1) year only, and the tax rate for coming years could go up or down based upon a variety of circumstances.

Chief Tharp added that Chief Freitag continues to have the funding conversation at the State level.

Prescott Valley Council member Dickenson commented that the Prescott Valley Economic Development Foundation (PVEDF) has been disbanded, this will save \$1,000 in the budget.

B. Discussion and Approval of Central Yavapai Fire District Tentative Fiscal Year 2023-2024
Budget

Motion to approve the Tentative Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget with a tax rate of \$2.7702 not to exceed the amount of \$26,181,175.

Move: Pete Gordon Second: Rick Anderson Status: Passed

Yes: Matt Zurcher, Pete Gordon, Rick Anderson, Gayle Pickett, Andy Reinhardt

C. Discussion and Possible Approval of Chino Valley Fire District Tentative Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget

Motion to approve the Tentative Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget with a tax rate of \$3.3179, not to exceed the amount of \$6,047,391.

Move: Dave Dobbs Second: Carrie Zambrano Status: Passed

Yes: Dave Dobbs, Cyndy Dicus, Lorette Stewart, Carrie Zambrano, Jodie Denike

D. Discussion and Possible Approval of Central Arizona Fire and Medical Tentative Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget

Motion to approve the Tentative Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget, not to exceed the amount of \$38,504,009.

Move: Dave Dobbs Second: Gayle Pickett Status: Passed

Yes: Dave Dobbs, Matt Zurcher, Lorette Stewart, Rick Anderson, Gayle Pickett

5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Chair Zurcher reconvened the Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority Board at 4:57 p.m. to make a correction to the budget amount. Chief Tharp noted that he provided the incorrect total budget amount for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 and provided an updated correct total tentative budget amount for Board approval.

Motion to approve the Tentative Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget not to exceed the amount of \$38,516,509.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

Move: Dave Dobbs Second: Rick Anderson Status: Passed

Yes: Dave Dobbs, Matt Zurcher, Lorette Stewart, Rick Anderson, Gayle Pickett

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Dave Dobbs 06/27/2023

Andy Reinhardt 06/28/2023