PURSUANT TO A.R.S. 38-431; Notice was given that Thunderbird Fire District Board held a Regular Board Meeting at 7:00 PM on May 14, 2024, at 12356 N. Ralston Rd., AZ. Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03 (A)(3). Persons with disabilities needing accommodation or alternative formats should have contacted the District 72 hrs. in advance. Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.02, the public will have physical access to the meeting room at 6:45 PM.

I. AGENDA:

1. CALL TO ORDER at 7:09pm
2. ROLL CALL: Pat Kaup & David Brady present.

STAFF: FD Chief; Allen Allcott, Chief Assistant; Carol Shrock, Bookkeeping; Sara Carroll

FD Staff: James Martinez, Shane Burroughs, Jack Hansen, Candace Allcott, Eric West, Allen Shrock & Chris Cadhro.

1. CALL TO THE PUBLIC: Starlene Stewart, Cody Graham & Jeff Christensen attending. Ms. Stewart addressed the

Thunderbird Fire District Foundation members with a request to hold a fundraiser to benefit the Fire District. She thanked the TFD for their work after a recent fire affecting her home. Ms. Stewart would post a fundraiser account link on her Facebook page to go directly to the Foundation. Pat & Dave thanked her for the support & would allow the 3rd party fundraiser to proceed. Ms. Stewart thanked them & left the meeting.

1. DISCUSS/APPROVE Minutes: Dave motioned to approve the 4/2/24 minutes, Pat 2nd, all in favor; motion carried.
2. DISCUSS/ACCEPT Financial Report: Pat presented and read the Balance Sheet & Tax Levy reports aloud.
3. Dave motioned to accept the financial reports, Pat seconded, all in favor; motion carried. Carol introduced Sara doing

bookkeeping and the insurance claims. Sara reviewed the 3 years of accounting she recreated to assist with the budget, expenses and inventory tracking. She will compile annual reports.

1. DISCUSS/APPROVE Correspondence was provided by Pat. She noted a cancelation notice from the Worker’s Comp.

II. REGULAR BUSINESS:

1. DISCUSS Annexation or expansion attempt: Carol spoke to Pinal Co. lawyer, Kevin Costello for advice on purchase of

the adjacent land owned by the county. There is no conflict for Costello working with the district on the process.

1. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS: Carol said she took the Board Training & announced her resignation from the Board &

didn’t qualify to be on the Board for 1 yr. in the district. She will return to Chief’s Assistant position. The other board members signed an Oath of Office for official record with the county. Carol said the Risk Assessment was compiled for FireWise and they are in a High Hazard designation. The program requires community involvement. Cash donations of $4500 were collected. The Foundation First Interstate Bank account balance was reviewed. There is a donation receipt option on the website.

1. CHIEF’S REPORT: The Chief reported 68 fires since April 1st. They are developing a relationship with State Land Fire.

Tracking liability within the district is important. The Fire District has the option to request burn restrictions from the county. The rehab team has been doing a great job supporting the staff.

III. NEW BUSINESS:

1. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY Tentative Budget 2024-2025, presented by Chief Allcott: Tabled.
2. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY Sign conflict waiver from Pinal County Attorney: Approved.
3. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY: Fire Water Access IGA with Maricopa Mountain DWID: Carol & Sara met with Office

Manager, Nancy Criswell in April to discuss water access. An agreement was suggested to propose to the Boards. The MMDWID Board met & approved the agreement. There was discussion on the well locations & access in different ways. They will need to meet with Nancy to finalize access. Dave motioned to approve, Pat 2nd, all in favor; motion carried.

1. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY Board required training: Carol will set-up a date for the Board training in June with Dave &

Pat. The training videos can be split into sections.

1. DISCUSS FireWise Community Program: Carol will work on FireWise program access for the website. A Water Day is

proposed for a family-oriented fundraiser. She reviewed Team Leader requirements. The IGA also gives points for the FireWise program.

IV. ADJOURNMENT: Pat adjourned at 8:01pm. Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_