

**Yarnell Fire District
Board Minutes
March 17, 2025**

1. Call to Order

Chairman Arlon Rice called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

2. Pledge of Allegiance & Roll Call of Board Members

Present were Chair Arlon Rice, Treasurer Richard Mayer, Secretary Nina Bour-Beau, John Sutherland, Denise Manone

Absent: Chief Shearer-Wildland billing classes

Deputy Chief Anthony Tunis guest

A. Richard motioned to approve board minutes of February 24, 2025, Denise second. Motion approved by all.

B. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

A. Chairman's Report: Website review – we need a new website. It's been over 1 year. Need to seriously consider having our website professionally done per Arlon. We cannot go another year. Nina's comment: Chris Crane will be done with the new website this week per Chief.

B. Secretary Report: dNina is working with Jason at Chase Bank to set up new payroll account.

C. Treasurer report:

General Fund: \$5,739.11 18.28 2023-2024 back taxes, \$591. FDAT

Capital: \$135,239.69

Donations & Grants: \$11,815.96

Pension & Relief: \$37,159.15

Shuttle \$17,329.96

Training \$26,304.04

Wildland \$43,877.69

John motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report, Denise second. Motion carried by all.

TRANSFER LOG

DATE	AMOUNT	ON	REASON
2/26/2025	1394.56	FROM DONATIONS & GRANTS TO GENERAL	PAY & BILLS
3/5/2025	\$0.00	NO TRANSFER-TAXES COVERED	NO TRANSFER-TAXES COVERED
3/12/2025	\$0.00	NO TRANSFER-TAXES COVERED	NO TRANSFER-TAXES COVERED

Nina motioned to accept the Transfer log, Arlon second. Motion carried by all.

D. Chief report: N/A, Federal Grants in question, State training for budgets.

Shuttle: didn't run this weekend March 1 and, 2 due to weather issues & fuel pump.

5. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Anthony Tunis, everything still stands. \$40,000 we pay for their administrative services (covers mechanics – 2 full-time mechanics, internet, website, wildland fire – ability to move staff around. We retain our Chief.

Dispatch fees paid for, board will bget contract copies from Chief for board written by our attorney.

Before board approves this, YFD needs to go to Community before we vote to approve this.

John's observation in Maricopa County – 5 districts – fire chief goes away, segments of board, not to dissolve board, pay board members.

Board Fire Chief: has the say to move trucks to Mayer for example.

Clarifying reserve fleet -3 types of : would keep the fire chief or board would decide individual fire districts to make that decision. Not taking any engines from us – we would have a say in this.

What you are running into: advice for the community or district. Anthony still needs to meet with Chief Shearer on the contract.

Per Anthony Tunis: Peeples Valley views us as a threat, the group consolidation with Yarnell Fire, copies of the contract. No vote on this at this time.

County supervisor feasibility study, public fire depts some unincorporated areas. They were not happy with district in responding because the fire dept wasn't contracted with that area.

Increase potential earnings of the FF: Dispatch, mechanics fee, medical supplies warehouse, administration needs, they have their own classes

6 NEW BUSINESS: N/A

The next special session will be held on April 7, 2025 in board room at 10:00 am.

Regular board meeting will be on April 21, 2025.

Meeting was adjourned by Arlon Rice at 12:00 noon.

Respectfully submitted, Nina M Bour-Beau, YFD Secretary