

MAYER FIRE DISTRICT

REGULAR SESSION MINUTES
Wednesday, January 21, 2026, 4:30 PM
Mayer Fire Administration Office
11975 S. State Route 69
Mayer, AZ 86333

1. Call to order.

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll call of members.

The following individuals attended the regular meeting: Chairman Thurman, Clerk Tang, Member Junkins, Member Perry and Member Hartlauer.

4. Call to the public (Public comments are limited to two minutes each. The Fire Board can only respond to items on the agenda)

No public comments.

5. Chiefs report:

a. Monthly and year-to-date financials

b. Current event report

c. November: 138 calls; December: 119 calls. In November, we participated in the Mayer Daze and Cordes Lakes Days Parades. We attended a flag retirement ceremony at Foothills Ranch. We are finishing up the audit; it will be presented next month. The Engine Bosses met and will hold a Consortium-wide refresher to prepare for the upcoming wildland season. Our guys attended recent POWIC meetings related to wildland. We recently put in a \$150k grant for Firewise activities. The medic class: We have received positive feedback from other districts. In April, they should come for the final accreditation. Our retention and passing rates have all been above average. On February 21st, we will be having a pinning ceremony at Station 22. C-Shift completed the ropes technician class in November. We will have our Fire Department physicals next week. The orientation academy ended at the end of December, and the new hires have started and are on the trucks. Firefighter charities went out in December to hand out gifts. Per Battalion Chief Alanis, everything went really well. Eng. Carruth led the program this year, and we supported 3 families this year with a total of about 10 kids. Gifts and meals were handed out to these families. Over in Bagdad, over 40 gifts were handed out; the parents purchased them and gave them to Santa to pass out. We have a meeting on Friday with the Forest Service regarding the Crown King. The forest service wants to transfer the work camp to Crown King Fire with some stipulations; the county wants to move the library and

establish a historical museum there and wants us to take over all maintenance of the building. (Chief explained that we would not be solely responsible for other entities' maintenance and building upkeep.) We got the first part of the impact statement for the annexation of Pine Flats. We are waiting on the county to provide us with maps. After it's approved by the Board of Supervisors, we will go to the assessor's office to collect signatures on the petition. ADOT replaced the Fire sign that was destroyed on the highway - we are working on getting reimbursed for this from the insurance of the person who hit the sign. There is nothing new on the townhomes at Bensch Ranch; there is a Wendy's possibly coming to Cordes across from McDonalds. They have been doing blasting work for the TA in Cordes. We have been asked to present at Yarnell and possibly Peoples Valley on joining the Consortium. Deputy Chief Tunis presented to approximately 50/60 people and did a great job.

6. Mayer Chapter of the International Association of Fire Fighters Local #3066 (the Union) report.

Captain Patrick Oium is elected as the new union president in place of Captain Rudy Armenta, who is now stationed in Congress.

7. Consent Agenda:

- a. Profit & Loss for January 2026**
- b. County Treasurer's Report for January 2026**
- c. Balance Sheets for January 2026**
- d. Check registers for January 2026**
- e. Petty Cash Report for January 2026**
- f. Call Report for January 2026**
- g. Out of District Report for January 2026**
- h. Regular Meeting Minutes from January 21, 2026**

Member Junkins moved to approve the consent agenda, and Member Perry seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously in favor, resulting in the approval of the consent agenda. Votes: Yes-5, No-0.

8. Mayer Water District, Clerk of the Board, Kevin H. Jones' formal inquiry to Mayer Fire of any known items Mayer Water District can do to help the fire department to prepare for the upcoming fire season. (i.e., wells accessible for emergency response, possible protocol to follow, etc.)

Kevin Jones – Clerk of the Mayer Water District Governing Board of Directors. I am here tonight to ensure that we at the water office are ready to assist you with your needs and have water available when needed. We currently have F.D. C's in process, and we have done what we could for the hydrants, all painted and numbered. We are putting a map together with all the hydrants listed. The (governing) board wanted to reach out to ensure we have everything ready on our end for the upcoming wildland season for you. Chief Alanis noticed the hydrants on a call this morning and saw them immediately, mentioning that they looked great. Captain Pederson has been working with the water department on hydrants. Chief Smith mentioned to Mr. Jones that we will get him in

touch with Chief LaGreca, our Fire Marshall, to make sure our access to the wells is what we would need. Mr. Jones mentioned that some of the roads are responsible for the County and that he is proud to see what the department has come to. Homeowners in the area have been receiving letters from their insurance companies regarding wildland coverage on their properties, based on their ISO rating. With Mr. Jones is Carl, a concerned citizen and friend who lives on Hackberry Road. Chairman Thurman commends Mr. Jones on coming to our meeting and sharing the information. **No action taken.**

9. Three Board Member positions on the November 2026 Ballot.

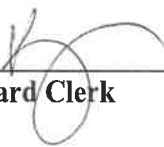
Three Board Members will have to run for election this year: Chairman Thurman, Member Perry, and Member Hartlauer. The board members will have to go to the County Recorder's office to pick up the election packet and obtain the 21 required signatures. If no more than three people run for the election, the three who run will be reappointed to the board. **Information only. No action taken.**

10. Future meeting dates and items.

The future meeting date is Wednesday, February 18th. Agenda items include an audit presentation, the establishment of information security and IT policies, and possible continued discussion of the drones.

11. Adjournment.

Member Junkins made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Member Perry. The Board unanimously approved the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 5:09 p.m. Votes: Y-5, N-0.



Board Clerk



Date