# MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING ON 4/21/2025

# **PINE LAKE FIRE**

# DISTRICT

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The Governing Board of the Pine Lake District met in special session on **21**<sup>st</sup>, **April 2025 at 6:00 pm**. The meeting was held at the Pine Lake Fire District's Station #62, located at 4564 S. Hualapai Mt. Rd. Kingman, AZ. 86401 The Board may vote to go into executive session on any agenda item, pursuant to A.R.S. ~38-431.03(A) (3) for legal advice with the district's attorney on matters as set forth in the agenda item. Board members or other participants may attend by telephonic conference. The following topics and any variables thereto, will be subject to Board considerations, discussion, approval or other action. All items are set for action.

## CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 PM

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS**: Ron Kutil/ Chairman, Bud Bernor/Clerk of the Board, Karen Gibas, Heather Berge and Chuck Osterman were present. - Quorum present.

## **BUSINESS**

**a).** Discussion and Possible action of Fire Chief Position, not limited to candidate(s), salary and expatiations of position. Discussion and review was started by Ron Kutil as he discussed why a full time Chief would be a huge benefit to the community and the Department. It is known that Interim Chief Schimkat would like to take on that full time position, so Ron Kutil also submitted an Employment agreement which was accepted by the board without change. We went around to each board member with all members commenting that they all agreed that this would be the best thing for the Department at this time. It would also allow the Chief to pursue Grants, additional training and correspondence with other departments. A motion was made by Heather Berge and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chuck Osterman to hire now Chief Schimkat as full time Chief starting May 10<sup>th</sup> 2025, Board voted and motion passed.

## b). Discussion and Possible action of 2025/2026 Budget

The Board members discussed and reviewed requirements and needs for the 2025/2026 budget. Board will continue to work on budget at the next regular May meeting on May 21<sup>st</sup>. Item tabled for that meeting and no action was taken, so no motions were made.

#### **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

None

#### ADJOURNMENT

Meeting motioned to be adjourned by Chuck Osterman, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bud Bernor. Meeting Adjourned at 6:50pm

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_