



Bouse Volunteer Fire District
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Board of Directors
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BOUSE VOLUNTEER FIRE DISTRICT BOARD MEETING

Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, May 13, 2025; 10:00 am at 27716 Frame Avenue,
Bouse AZ 85325**

- 1) CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER: Paul Martin called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
- 2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All participated.
- 3) INVOCATION: None
- 4) ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS: Paul Martin: Present; John Newman: Present; Alan Jacobs: Present.
- 5) APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: John Newman moved to approve the Board Meeting Minutes dated April 8, 2025; Alan Jacobs seconded; motion carried. Paul Martin addressed the prior meeting minutes also for approval: John Newman moved to approve the meeting minutes dated February 11, 2025; Alan Jacobs seconded; motion passed; John Newman moved to approve the meeting minutes dated March 11, 2025; Alan Jacobs seconded; motion passed.
- 6) APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT: John Newman moved to approve the financial reports dated April 1, 2025 to April 30, 2025; Alan Jacobs seconded; motion carried.
- 7) CORRESPONDENCE: N/A
- 8) ADMIN CHIEF REPORT: Walker Armstrong Audit is due in August and documents should be ready for them to review in a timely manner.
- 9) CHIEF REPORT: Chief Weatherford looking forward to meeting scheduled for May 13, 2025 at Buckskin and other meetings scheduled and meeting also scheduled for May 14, 2025. Received Grant for additional gear for BVFD. Chief Weatherford encouraged by a Zoom Meeting that discussed FD being the first to contact the public and the healthcare involved and the how the role FD's play in a healthy community. Items are in the works to have 24 hour coverage if merger with Parker goes through.
- 10) CALL TO PUBLIC: None
- 11) UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None
- 12) NEW BUSINESS, DISCUSSIONS AND ACTION CALENDAR: Consent Agenda Items:
 - 1) Acceptance & Authorization of Monthly Expenses for the month of April 1, 2025 through April 30, 2025. Monthly for documentation and warrants of monthly expenses and reviewed. Documentation to be filed in the Fire District Office. John Newman moved to approve said expenses; Alan Jacobs seconded, motion carried.
 - 2) Discuss/Approve Salary for Administrative Chief and Secretary, Payroll & POC's for Volunteers John Newman moved to approve Administration Chief and Secretary Salary and Payroll, POC's for the month of April 1, 2025 thru April 30, 2025 for Volunteers; Alan Jacobs seconded; motion carried.
 - 3) Discuss/Approve: Proposed 2025 - 2026 Budget and mandatory posting. Chief Weatherford stated budget is strong and will prepare BVFD for a strong year. Taxes for La Paz County will most likely be reassessed. Bouse has not been reassessed for past 5 years. Property value adjustments must be done in order to fund emergency services properly. John Newman moved to approve the 2025-2026 Budget for mandatory posting; Alan Jacobs seconded; motion carried.
- 13) REPORTS: None
- 14) BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: John Newman questioned the increase in HR & Admin; costs were combined in Payroll and Chief Harmon moved monies that were combined in Payroll for FF's to give a better look at overall costs and to show the increase in the Stipend that will be effective July 1, 2025 from \$400.00 to \$600.00. \$99,500 represents FF's only and Administrative personnel is now separated out.

Overall BVFD will look good to merger with Parker goes forward. Chief Harmon assured the Board that BVFD kept within our Budget for 2024-2025 with no problems.

15) SET TIME AND DATE OF NEXT BOARD MEETING: June 10, 2025 at 10:00am

16) ADJOURN: 10:32am

THESE MINUTES ARE A SYNOPSIS OF THE MEETING AND NOT A WORD-FOR-WORD TRANSCRIPTION. MINUTES APPROVED AT THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

DATE:

6-10-2025

SIGNED:

John A. Newman