GCIFD Meeting Minutes - July 13, 2021

The Gilbert County Island Fire District (GCIFD) governing board met in a properly posted open public meeting on Tuesday, July 13, 2021. The meeting was held via teleconference due to COVID-19 concerns. The Arizona Attorney General has authorized teleconferencing for public meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The following agenda items were considered at the meeting:

- A. The meeting of the GCIFD board was called to order at 6:08 p.m. by Chair Biggs.
- B. Chair Biggs led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag.
- C. Roll Call: Chair Biggs, Clerk Mejia and Members Beyerle and Cazden were in attendance.

Item 1: Review and approval of the governing board meeting minutes of May 11, 2021 (GCIFD #21-018):

Motion by Mejia / 2nd Beyerle: Approve the minutes of May 11, 2021 as presented; Passed 4-0.

Item 2: Report from Fire Chief regarding the provision of fire and EMS to GCIFD, including but not limited to the following items (GCIFD #21-n/a):

a) Monthly response and service report: Fire Chief Jobusch presented the information from the May and June 2021 response reports. Chief Jobusch reported that it was a slow couple of months. The new Gilbert Training Facility opened a few months ago.

Discussion only – no action taken.

Item 3: Call to the Public: None.

Item 4: Consideration of district financial matters:

a) Review of monthly financial reports: May and June 2021 (GCIFD #21-019):

The May and June reconciled finance reports from Maricopa County were presented and reviewed by Administrative Manager Vaughn, as were the monthly financial reports prepared by the district CPA (finance reports included in the board packet).

Motion by Cazden / 2nd by Mejia: To approve the financial reports as presented; Passed 4-0..

b) Review of invoices / payables and authorization for payment (GCIFD #21-020):

The invoices were presented and there was a request for payment for the following (included in board packet for May and June); PolicyLogic, LLC (\$2,000.19); Angela Bertram, CPA (\$292.50).

Motion by Mejia / 2^{nd} by Cazden: To approve the invoices as presented for payment; Passed 4-0.

Item 5: Public Hearing in accordance with A.R.S. §48-853.A.2: To hear taxpayer's comments on the proposed fiscal year 2021/2022 Gilbert County Island Fire District revenue and expenditure budget (GCIFD #21-n/a)

Chair Biggs opened the public hearing for comment. No public present at the meeting. Chair Biggs closed the public meeting.

Item 6: Consideration of fully adopting estimates of revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022 and declaring such to be the budget of the Gilbert County Island Fire District (GCIFD #21-021)

Administrative Manager Vaughn reviewed the budget documents provided within the board packets and discussed the final budget for FY 21/22. The contract cost from the Town of Gilbert is \$846,160. The proposed tax levy is \$720K, with a tax rate of 1.4508. Chief Jobusch discussed some of the main drivers of the increase in contract cost are:

- Added one battalion chief, three captains, two engineers and two firefighters to response staffing
- Overall personnel and operating costs have increased
- Replacing more outdated equipment than normal
- Operating new training facility
- Expanding our ambulance service to provide all 9-1-1 ambulance transportation in Gilbert (this has a revenue offset that is included in the projections)

Motion by Cazden 2nd by Beyerle: Consideration of fully adopting estimates and expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022 and declaring such to be the budget of the Gilbert County Island Fire District; Passed 4-0.

Item 7: Consideration of items for the agenda of the Gilbert County Island Fire District's next regular scheduled meeting (September 14, 2021) and or a special meeting called by the governing board for the purpose of carrying out its powers and duties (GCIFD #21-022):

- Standard agenda items
- Insurance Renewal

Item 8: Announcements.

Next meeting, Gilbert Public Library will allow the board to meet in-person. A

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phone number will still be set up for those that would like to call in.
Item 9: Adjourn: Motion by Mejia / 2 nd by Cazden: To adjourn the meeting at 6:32p.m.; Passed 4-0.
Minutes Approved GCIFD: September 14, 2021.
C. Biggs, Board Chair
C. Mejia, Board Clerk
R. Beyerle, Board Member
L. Cazden, Board Member