

MINUTES

**Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority
Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority Board of Directors
CA Special Meeting
Thursday, September 10, 2020, 3:00 pm - 3:30 pm
Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority, Administration, 8603 E. Eastridge Dr., Prescott
Valley**

In-Person Attendance

Darlene Packard; Kathy Goodman; Scott A Freitag; Susanne Dixon

Remote Attendance

Dave Tharp; Julie Pettit; Matt Zurcher

Not In Attendance

Dave Dobbs; Jeff Wasowicz; Nicolas Cornelius

NOTICE OF MEETING

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority Board of Directors and the general public that the **Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority** will hold a meeting open to the public on **Thursday, September 10, 2020 at 3:00 p.m.** The meeting will be held at **Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority, Administration, 8603 E. Eastridge Drive, Prescott Valley, Arizona.** The Board may vote to go into Executive Session on any agenda item, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) for discussion and consultation for legal advice with Authority's Attorney on matters as set forth in the agenda item. The following topics and any variables thereto, will be subject to Board consideration, discussion, approval, or other action. All items are set for possible action.

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS

Clerk Packard called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Clerk Packard led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

In accordance with A.R.S. §38-431.01(H) and as a matter of policy, the Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority Board has decided to allow public comments as time permits.

Therefore, those wishing to address the Board regarding an issue within the jurisdiction of this public body may do so in an orderly manner that includes completing a Call to the Public Form and submitting it to staff for the record. If a written statement is being read, please provide a copy to ensure it is entered into the record accurately. Individuals will be limited to speak for three (3) minutes and Call to the Public shall not exceed 30 minutes per meeting.

There were no public comments.

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. Motion, Discussion, and Action Regarding Approval for Fire Chief and Agency Counsel to Participate in Administrative Hearing Related to Proposed Certificate of Necessity

Amendments by Life Line Ambulance, Inc.

Chief Freitag reported that the City of Prescott recently approached CAFMA stating that they were going to intervene in Lifeline Ambulance's Certificate of Necessity (CON) hearing relating to CON 62, which includes CAFMA's area. Their intent is to improve the response time standards to which Lifeline will be held within the CON. Lifeline's current standard is set at arriving on scene within 10 minutes 70% of the time, and Lifeline is suggesting that be increased to arrival within 10 minutes 80% of the time. He stated that neither 70% nor 80% are response time standards recognized anywhere in the country; 90% is the standard. Prescott would like to be on record with the Department of Health Services (DHS) stating that 80% is not a nationally recognized, or reasonable, standard.

He continued, the City of Prescott has been negotiating a contract with Lifeline/AMR for about two years now. Chief Light inquired as to whether CAFMA would be willing to collaborate by going together to DHS. Prescott's City Council has voted unanimously to move forward and has given direction to their attorney and Chief Light to file a notice of appearance and the all documents necessary to outline the City's concerns. Prescott already has the language prepared, which would need to be amended for CAFMA's area, but Attorney Cornelius recommends filing a notice of appearance and signing as joiners.

He stated that the Agency is looking for approval and direction from the Board to engage with Prescott and to file as intervenors along with Prescott. He thanked the Board for their support.

Motion to approve Fire Chief and Agency Counsel to participate in administrative hearing related to proposed Certificate of Necessity amendments by Lifeline Ambulance Incorporated, parent company AMR, to file as intervenors along with the City of Prescott.

Move: Darlene Packard Second: Matt Zurcher Status: Passed

Yes: Darlene Packard, Julie Pettit, Matt Zurcher

5. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 3:09 p.m.

Move: Matt Zurcher Second: Julie Pettit Status: Passed

Yes: Darlene Packard, Julie Pettit, Matt Zurcher

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