

MINUTES OF TONTO BASIN FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Special Session
May 19, 2025

Call to Order: This regular session Board Meeting was called to order at 1005 hours by Chairman John France at Tonto Basin Fire Station #1, 46189 N AZ Highway 188, Tonto Basin, AZ.

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by John France.

Roll Call of Board Members: The following Board Members were present: Chairman John France, Clerk Debra “Deb” Morris, Secretary/Treasurer Robert Cooper, and Board Member Clifford “Cliff” Metz. Board Member Brian Nail was an excused absence.

Also Present: Chief James Stoltenberg.

Discussion/Information and Action: proceeded regarding review of the Brush Truck Chassis replacement as presented by Chief Stoltenberg. The Chief was able to obtain 2 quotations for a new chassis for the brush truck. The first quote was from Horne Freedom Ford which is an F450 Chassis with a selling price of \$74,439.80 and an out the door price of \$80,596.22. The second quote was from Chapman Automotive Group which is a 5500 Chassis with a selling price of \$73,534.00 and an out the door price of \$77,632.94. The Chapman quote did include a rebate of \$2,500 due to owning another Dodge. The Chief also presented an update on the year to date (YTD) wildland fire profit and loss. YTD the wildland fire income is \$394,005.40 with total expenses of \$212,396.41 for a total net income of \$181,608.99. The new brush truck chassis will be funded via the profits from wildland. The Chief also presented the estimate to move the existing skid to the new chassis as well as plumbing and electrical at between \$8,500 and \$10,000. Following discussion, a motion was made by Board Member John France to approve the purchase of the Dodge Ram at the quoted \$77,632.94 and to approve the cost for moving the existing skid, plumbing, and electrical to the new chassis. The motion was seconded by Board Member Deb Morris. The vote to approve the purchase of the Dodge Ram and the costs to move the skid to the new chassis was unanimous. Board Member Cliff Metz did ask the Chief to attempt to get the price of the truck lowered if at all possible but that it should not stop the purchase.

Call to the Public: None

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Board a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Board Member Deb Morris and seconded by Board Member Cliff Metz. The vote to adjourn was unanimously adopted and the meeting adjourned at 1027 hours.