

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

The Governing Board of the Tonto Basin Fire District will meet in work and regular session, Thursday, April 16, 2026, at 0930 hrs. (9:30 a.m.). The meeting will be held at Station 91, 46189 N AZ Highway 188 Tonto Basin, AZ 85553.

The Governing Board reserves the right and may vote to go into executive session on any agenda item, pursuant of A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) for legal advice with the District's attorney or to discuss personnel matters pursuant of A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A)(3). No decisions or actions will be taken in Executive Session.

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 and the Board reserves the right to change the order of the items on the agenda.

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS

WORK SESSION

4. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION AND ACTION: Review and discussion on the 2026/2027 budget preparation work.

REGULAR SESSION

5. AWARDS & RECOGNITION
6. READING AND APPROVAL OF MARCH 19, 2026 MEETING MINUTES
7. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDANCE
 - A. CHIEF'S REPORT
 - B. FINANCIAL REPORTS
8. CALL TO THE PUBLIC- AGENDA ITEMS (3 MINUTE MAXIMUM)
A.R.S. 38-431.01- At this time, the public may speak to the board on any item listed on the agenda. The board expects that citizens who address the board will present concerns regarding the activities in question, rather than make personal attacks on board members, fire district staff or personnel, or other persons in attendance or absent.

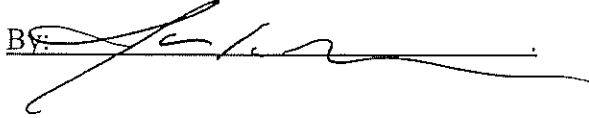
In addition, questions or comments on matters that are currently under legal review will not be accepted.

9. **DISCUSSION/INFORMATION AND ACTION:** Review and approval to extend the letter of commitment for fire service to the "The Ranch at Salt River" located just past Apache Lake.

10. **CALL TO THE PUBLIC: NON-AGENDA ITEMS (3 MINUTE MAXIMUM)**
Consideration and discussion of comments and complaints from the public on non-agenda items. Those wishing to address the Tonto Basin Fire District Board need not request permission in advance. The Fire District Board is not permitted to discuss or take action on any item raised in the call to the public. However, individual Board members may be permitted to respond to criticism directed at them. Otherwise, the Board may direct that staff review the matter or that the matter be placed on a future agenda. The Fire District Board cannot discuss or take legal action on any issue raised during the Call to the Public due to restrictions of the Open Meeting Law.

11. **ADJOURNMENT** If any disabled person needs any type of accommodation, please notify the Tonto Basin Fire District prior to the scheduled meeting time.

Notice of Meeting (Agenda) dated and posted April 14th, at 0810, local time.

BY: 

MINUTES OF TONTO BASIN FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Work and Regular Session
April 16, 2026

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Call to Order: This regular session Board Meeting was called to order at 0929 hours by Chairman John France at Tonto Basin Fire Station #91, 46189 N AZ Highway 188, Tonto Basin, AZ.

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Cliff Metz.

Roll Call of Board Members: The following Board Members were present: Chairman John France, Clerk Brian Nail, Secretary/Treasurer Robert Cooper, Board Member Ilene Hailey, and Board Member Clifford "Cliff" Metz.

Also Present: Chief James Stoltenberg.
Tonto Basin Fire District Administrative Assistant Lore Lee Taylor.
Board Member at Large Debra "Deb" Morris.
Junior Morris.
Ben Archer-Clowes "Ben" with James Vincent Group (JVG).
Dominic Filosa with James Vincent Group (JVG) via Teams.

Numerous firefighters attended for Brandi Morris's retirement including Firefighter Tristan McBlane, Firefighter Thomas Young, and others via Teams.

Agenda Item 5, Awards and Recognition were moved forward to this portion of the meeting.

Awards & Recognition: Chief Stoltenberg recognized the Retirement of Firefighter Brandi Morris who began her career at the Tonto Basin Fire District in 2003. The Chief recognized and thanked Brandi for her years of service and her dedication to the District. The Chief also presented Brandi with a certificate of retirement and a flag that had flown over the Tonto Basin Fire Department. Others in the meeting including John France, Tristan McBlane, Jim Lavery, Thomas Young, and Deb Morris also spoke about past experiences with Brandi and thanked her for her service. Good luck Brandi and family in your future endeavors. You will be sorely missed.

Following the Awards and Recognition Deb Morris, Junior Morris and the group of firefighters left the meeting.

Work Session

Discussion/Information and Action: proceeded regarding 1st draft of the budget for FY 2026/2027. Ben, Dominic & Chief Stoltenberg presented the Board with the proposed budget. There were discussions on revenues whereby the property taxes will increase by ~\$26,296 based on assessed home values per Gila County. There were also discussions on the cost side including employee compensation which would include a \$1/hour raise for all employees and an 11.6% wage increase for the Fire Chief to bring this position into alignment with similar positions within Gila County. At present the tax levy (net assessed value) is at the maximum level of \$3.75 and cannot be adjusted upwards. No action was taken at this time.

The work session ended at 1048 hours and the regular session was started.

At this time Dominic Filosa with JVG left the meeting.

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Reading and Approval of the March 19, 2026 Regular Session Meeting minutes: The draft minutes from the prior Regular Session Board Meeting on March 19, 2026 were reviewed. Following the review of the prior meeting minutes on March 19, 2026 a motion to approve and adopt the March 19, 2026 meeting minutes was duly made by Board Member Cliff Metz and seconded by Board Member Brian Nail. The March 19, 2026 meeting minutes were unanimously approved and adopted.

Chief's Report: The Chief's Report was presented by Chief Stoltenberg. Discussions ensued on the items as presented and highlighted by the Chief. The variance meeting with the County is scheduled on June 18, 2026 at 0900 hours. This is also the same day of the June Tonto Basin Fire District Board meeting. Based on this the June Tonto Basin Fire District Board Meeting will be rescheduled to Wednesday, June 17, 2026 at 0930 hours.

Financial Report: Ben presented the monthly financial reports with the following ending balances as of 03/31/2026:

National Bank:	\$ 108,038.64
Warrant Account:	\$ 932,921.11
Capital Reserve Account:	\$ 362,669.43

Following discussions on the Chief's Report and the Financial Report a motion was made to accept both reports as presented by Board Member Cliff Metz and seconded by Board Member Ilene Hailey. The vote to accept both reports was unanimous.

Call to the Public – Agenda Items: None.

Discussion/Information: Firefighter Tristan McBlane updated the Board that the Firefighters Association would be holding the Butch Kelly scholarship challenge at the Tonto Basin School on May 6, 2026 at 0830 a.m. and stated that the Board Members were welcome to attend. Tristan also informed the Board that the movie night held at the Fire Station on Friday, April 10, 2026 was a success.

Discussion/Information and Action: Chief Stoltenberg presented the renewal letter for fire services to "The Ranch at Salt River" which is supposed to be evaluated and renewed each year if the Board elects to do so. Following review of the letter a motion to approve the renewal letter for fire services to "The Ranch at Salt River" was duly made by Board Member John France and seconded by Board Member Cliff Metz. The vote to approve the renewal letter for fire services to "The Ranch at Salt River" was unanimous.

Call to the Public – Non-Agenda Items: None.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Board a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Board Member John France and seconded by Board Member Cliff Metz. The vote to adjourn was unanimously adopted and the meeting adjourned at 1120 hours.



Tonto Basin Fire District
46189 N AZ Highway 188, Tonto Basin, AZ 85553

Monthly Financial Report – March 2026

Attached are the following for your information and review:

1. Balance Sheet as of March 31, 2026.
2. Statement of Reconciled Cash Balances as of March 31, 2026.
3. Income Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for the month ending March 31, 2026.
4. Graph of Income and Expenses Year-to-Date.
5. Monthly Disbursement Report.94
6. 12-Month Cash Flow.

Key points:

- Revenue for the month of March is \$68,716 which is under budget by \$61,290.
 - Tax Revenue for March is \$37,118 which is under budget by \$2,097, driven by under collection for the month.
 - Non-Tax Revenue for March is \$31,598 which is under budget by \$59,193, driven by grant revenue.
 - Grant Revenue received for March is \$0 which is under budget by \$63,000.
- Expenses for March totaled \$83,829, which is under budget by \$64,445.
 - Personnel Costs is under budget by \$2,513, driven by regular wages.
 - Managerial Expenses are under budget \$60,991, driven by grant expenses.
 - Grant Expenses for March is \$334 which is under budget by \$62,666.
- YTD Total Revenue is \$1,149,698 which is \$572,220 under budget.
 - Grant Revenue is \$0 which is under budget by \$567,000.
- YTD Expense is \$870,450 which is \$731,935 under budget, driven by grant expenses.
 - Grant Expenses is \$25,386 which is \$541,614 under budget.

Please contact the Finance Department at (480) 422-9777 for any questions or concerns regarding this report.

This report and the attached detailed reports have been reviewed and approved by the Fire Board.

Board Clerk

4/16/26

Date

10:30 AM
 04/08/26
 Accrual Basis

Tonto Basin Fire District
Balance Sheet Prev Year Comparison
 As of March 31, 2026

	Mar 31, 26	Mar 31, 25	\$ Change
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Checking/Savings			
100 · Cash - County Treasurer	932,035.75	826,059.46	105,976.29
110 · Cash - National Bank	106,029.85	71,745.23	34,284.62
120 · Cash- Investments	362,669.43	348,442.04	14,227.39
130 · Cash - Petty	100.00	282.68	-182.68
Total Checking/Savings	1,400,835.03	1,246,529.41	154,305.62
Accounts Receivable			
195 · Accounts Receivable - General	32,023.37	0.00	32,023.37
180 · A/R - Ambulance Billing	105,657.02	127,868.38	-22,211.36
185 · A/R Ambulance Uncoll. Allow.	-13,368.39	-24,484.88	11,116.49
Total Accounts Receivable	124,312.00	103,383.50	20,928.50
Other Current Assets			
1201 · Prepaid Assets	21,495.68	10,712.08	10,783.60
1200 · Property Tax AR	31,608.23	45,568.80	-13,960.57
Total Other Current Assets	53,103.91	56,280.88	-3,176.97
Total Current Assets	1,578,250.94	1,406,193.79	172,057.15
Fixed Assets			
230 · Land	118,352.00	118,352.00	0.00
220 · Buildings-001	457,567.00	457,567.00	0.00
232 · Vehicles	1,614,008.38	1,625,777.33	-11,768.95
210 · Equipment	370,370.62	816,668.62	-446,298.00
290 · Accumulated Depreciation	-1,297,816.78	-1,695,831.87	398,015.09
Total Fixed Assets	1,262,481.22	1,322,533.08	-60,051.86
TOTAL ASSETS	2,840,732.16	2,728,726.87	112,005.29
LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	47,552.10	20,458.73	27,093.37
Credit Cards	10,968.55	8,824.17	2,144.38
Other Current Liabilities	25,899.11	50,772.97	-24,873.86
Total Current Liabilities	84,419.76	80,055.87	4,363.89
Long Term Liabilities			
2401 · Compensated Absences	21,301.45	4,822.86	16,478.59
2500 · Station #2 Loan	156,126.25	171,856.34	-15,730.09
2501 · Int'l Engine Loan	33,855.24	66,756.35	-32,901.11
2502 · Ambulance Loan	126,470.41	148,121.12	-21,650.71
Total Long Term Liabilities	337,753.35	391,556.67	-53,803.32
Total Liabilities	422,173.11	471,612.54	-49,439.43
Equity			
Retained Earnings	645,477.17	207,152.86	438,324.31
500 · Fund Balance - Gen Fund	1,493,833.51	1,493,833.51	0.00
Net Income	279,248.37	556,127.96	-276,879.59
Total Equity	2,418,559.05	2,257,114.33	161,444.72
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	2,840,732.16	2,728,726.87	112,005.29