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Tusayan Fire District

MINUTES OF MONTHLY PUBLIC MEETING FOR THE TUSAYAN FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A public meeting of the Tusayan Fire District Governing Board was convened on October 8, 2026, at the Tusayan Fire Station and via Zoom conference call, Tusayan AZ 86023.

Call to Public/Confirmation of Quorum

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. The following members of the Tusayan Fire District Board of Directors were present in person, Board Member Ben Gomez, and Board Member Elena Villanueva. Others in attendance included Fire Chief Greg Brush, Chief of Administration Kate Johnson, Administrative Assistant Crystal Kanaley and members of the public include Captain Michael Wycoff, Firefighter Cody Miller and Firefighter Anthony Diluzio. Members of the Board in attendance via Zoom include Board Chair John Vail and Board Member Rob Gossard. Members of the public in attendance via Zoom include Captain Greg Lawrence, and Coconino County Attorney Nicholas Hodder

Discussion/Approval of September 17, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes and September 17, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve regularly scheduled September 17, 2026 Meeting Minutes. First by Gossard. Seconded by Gomez. Motion carries unanimously. Motion to approve September 17, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes. First by Vail seconded by Villanueva. Motion Carries unanimously.

Financial Report

Monthly Financial Report presented by Johnson verbally and in written form. (See form for details). Motion to approve the financial report. First by Vail. Seconded by Villanueva. Motion carries unanimously.

Fire Chiefs Update

Chief Brush presented report verbally and in written form. (See form for details).

Old Business

Discussion, Update, and Possible Action regarding out of district emergency response

No update.

Discussion, Update, and Possible Action regarding parking structure on Forest Service land.

TFD has reengaged the discussion but has had no response. The current water crisis has taken priority for the Forest Service.

Discussion, Update, and Possible Action regarding Community Wildland Protection Plan

Community Wildland Plan is completed and on the TFD Website for public viewing. There is a follow-up meeting in November and after that TFD can start applying for grants relating to plan projects.

Discussion, Update, and Possible Action regarding the Chief's contract.
Vail entered into executive session at 10:15 a.m. General session reconvened at 11:08 am. Board discussed final consultation contract for Chief Brush. Motion to rescind previous motion for the severance package from September 17, 2026 First by Vail. Second by Gossard. Motion carries unanimously. Motion to enter consultation contract with Greg Brush, Brush Fire Consulting LLC. First by Vail. Second by Villanueva. Motion carries unanimously. Contract will be public record and placed in board packet.

Discussion, Update, and Possible Action regarding appointing/hiring a new Chief.
Board clarified interim chain of command for TFD effective Sunday October 11, 2026 until a new Chief is hired. Board established that the three Chiefs will have operational authority while on shift and Johnson will have administrative authority. All four will be equals and will report to Board Chair John Vail. Vail would have total oversight. Board discussed at length the new Chief application and interview process. Board directed TFD to update application and get it back to the board today for approval. Special Meeting will be held Saturday October 10, 2026 at 10:00 am to Amend and Clarify PTO policy and will give direction regarding posting the new chief application at that time.

New Business

Discussion, Update, and Possible Action regarding transfer of capital carryforward funds from FY 2026 into reserve account.
Board discussed transferring capital carryforward funds and has directed to postpone decision and place on next month's agenda for further discussion.

Board Member Reports

John Vail – Would like to thank everyone for their time and patience.
Ben Gomez – Nothing to report
Rob Gossard – Big E will be donation items to the pancake breakfast.
Elena Villanueva – Nothing to report

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 11:51 a.m. First by Vail, seconded by Villanueva. Motion passes unanimously.

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MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE TUSAYAN FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MONTHLY PUBLIC MEETING ON October 8, 2026

A PUBLIC MEETING OF THE TUSAYAN FIRE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD WAS CONVENED ON OCTOBER 8, 2026 AT THE TUSAYAN FIRE STATION AND VIA ZOOM, TUSAYAN, AZ 86023.

CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM/CALL TO ORDER –

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m. The following members of the Tusayan Fire District Board of Directors were present in person: Board Member Ben Gomez, and Board Member Elena Villanueva. Others in attendance included Fire Chief Greg Brush Board members in attendance Via Zoom are Board Chair John Vail and Board Member Rob Gossard. Others in attendance via Zoom are Coconino County Attorney Nicholas Hodder.

Old Business

Discussion, Update, and Possible Action regarding the Chief's contract.
Board discussed final consultation contract for Chief Brush.

Adjourn – Vail adjourn out of executive session at 11:08 a.m.

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