

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING OF THE
RINCON VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD
HELD December 21, 2017**

A public meeting of the Rincon Valley Fire District Governing Board was convened on **December 21, 2017 at 6:00 P.M.** at RVFD Station 2; 14550 E. Sands Ranch Rd. Vail, AZ 85641. Present at the meeting were the following members of the Rincon Valley Fire District Governing Board: Chairperson Raymond Phillips, Clerk Michelle Harrington, Member Terry Newman, Member Kirsten Schlenker and Member Mark Tate.

The following matters were discussed, considered and decided at the meeting:

1. Call to Order at 6:03 P.M. by Chairperson Phillips

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| A. Roll Call - Chairperson Raymond Phillips | present |
| Clerk Michelle Harrington | present |
| Member Terry Newman | present |
| Member Kirsten Schlenker | present |
| Member Mark Tate | present |

- Also attending – Chief Jayme Kahle, Administrative Manager Laura Bucklin, Battalion Chief Bisnar, and Battlion Chief Yalen. (See hand written sign in sheet attached for others present).

2. Call to Public – Rincon Desert Estates Annexation

A. RVFD Board shall consider the comments of the Pima County Board of Supervisors, hear those who appear for and against the proposed change and determine whether the proposed change will promote the public health, comfort, convenience, necessity or welfare.

Response from the public:

- RDE Residents Tim Holt and Leslie Gill had questions and concerns regarding the benefits and the process of annexation.

Chief Kahle explained that some of the benefits of annexation would be increased fire protection services causing a lower ISO rating which would result in lowered costs for fire insurance premiums to homeowners.

Another benefit of annexation would be the governing board of the Rincon Valley Fire District is elected by the residents of the Rincon Valley Fire District; therefore, residents will have a direct vote for the election of the fire district governing board members and a voice in the type and manner of fire protection and ambulance services provided for the entire district.

Chief Kahle also explained the process of group annexations, such as, the initial request from residents, receiving comments from Pima County BOS, holding the public hearings, and circulating petitions.

Mr. Holt asked Chief Kahle for the name of the resident that requested the annexation, and requested a copy of the Impact Statement for Rincon Desert Estates. Mr. Holt also wanted to know who owns Rincon Valley Fire District. Chief Kahle gave a brief explanation of the AZ State Special Taxing District Statues and provided his contact information to Mr. Holt to provide a copy of the impact statement.

3. Decision of the Board

A. Motion by Clerk Harrington, second by Member Schlenker to approve the Rincon Desert Estates Impact Statement and determine that the public health, comfort, convenience, necessity or welfare will be promoted; and shall approve the impact statement and authorize the persons proposing the change to circulate petitions. Motion passed unanimously 5 to 0.

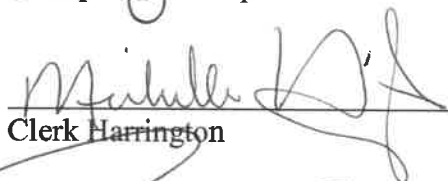
4. Adjournment – Motion by Chairperson Phillips, second by Member Schlenker to adjourn. Motion passed 5 to 0. Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Dated this 22th day of December 2017.


Rincon Valley Fire District Governing Board



Chairperson Phillips



Clerk Harrington



Member Newman



Member Schlenker



Member Tate