

# YUCCA FIRE DISTRICT

Board Meeting  
Regular Session  
March 8, 2016

## Minutes

1. Call to Order

Chairman Ferguson called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. at the Fire District headquarters, 12349 Frontage Road, Yucca, Arizona.

2. Roll Call

*Present:* Chairman Ferguson, Member Sherwood, Member Mayo

*Staff:* Jason Sayre

*Others:* Attorney Zavala, from Mr. Whittington's office

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Engineer Lambert led those present in the pledge of allegiance.

4. Vote to Go Into Executive Session – Legal Advice

Chairman Ferguson made a motion to go into executive session pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) for legal advice regarding the pending Cheser personnel harassment matter, and to allow the governing board to give directions to the District's legal counsel regarding the Cheser matter, pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(4). Member Mayo seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Board entered into executive session at approximately 3:31 p.m.

The Board reconvened into public session at approximately 4:01 p.m.

5. New Business

Board member Mayo made a motion to hire Brenda Tranchina as an independent investigator to perform an investigation into the allegations against Chief Cheser and to set a cap of \$25,000.000 for that effort. Board member Sherwood seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Board member Mayo made a motion to place Chief Cheser on non-disciplinary paid administrative leave pending an outcome to the investigation. Board member Sherwood seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

6. Adjournment

The Board meeting was adjourned at 16:08 p.m.

  
318110, Board Clerk