

Peoples Valley Fire District, PO Box 936, Yarnell, AZ 85362
17275 W. Burning Bush Drive, Peoples Valley, AZ 86332
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING and PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES
Location of Meeting Held: Historic Peoples Valley School
18205 S. Highway 89, Peoples Valley, AZ
Tuesday, January 20, 2026, at 10:00 AM

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** Neil Rifenbark called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The pledge was led by Neil Rifenbark.
- 3. ROLL CALL OF BOARD:** Neil Rifenbark, Phil Lobeck, Wayne Keller, Gregg Carr, Scott Mayer (via phone)
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Regular Session 12-17-2025
 - **Wayne Keller** made a motion to approve the 12-17-2025 meeting minutes as amended (add board member names to 7.C.).
 - **Seconded: Gregg Carr**
 - **Ayes: Neil Rifenbark, Wayne Keller, Phil Lobeck, Gregg Carr, Scott Mayer**
 - **Nays: 0**
 - **Abstain: 0**
- 5. CALL TO PUBLIC:** Rose Davis- Does the fire board have a treasurer or do they use an accountant?
Public in attendance: Shawn Bomar, Kelley Paiz, Ray Paiz, Sue Dickerson, Wendy Qualls, Rose Davis
- 6. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE**
 - A. Fire Chief's Report: see website
 - B. Duty Officers' Reports: see website
 - C. Fire Prevention and Safety Officer's Report: see website
 - D. Report from Weaver Mountains Firewise Committee Coordinators: see website
 - E. Correspondence received by the Board of Directors: none
 - F. Auxiliary Report: see website
 - G. Arizona Fire District Association (AFDA) Conference: General discussion on board member requirements and liabilities.
- 7. BUSINESS and ACTION**
 - A. Discussion/possible action to approve the December 2025 Financial Report presented by The James Vincent Group.
 - **Phil Lobeck** made a motion to approve the December 2025 Financial Report presented by the James Vincent Group.
 - **Seconded: Wayne Keller**
 - **Ayes: Neil Rifenbark, Wayne Keller, Scott Mayer, Gregg Carr, Scott Mayer**
 - **Nays: 0**
 - **Abstain: 0**
 - B. Discussion/possible action to approve January Warrant Requests.

- **Neil Rifenkark** made a motion to approve January Warrant Requests.
- **Seconded: Phil Lobeck**
- **Ayes: Neil Rifenkark, Wayne Keller, Phil Lobeck, Scott Mayer, Gregg Carr, Scott Mayer**
- **Nays: 0**
- **Abstain: 0**

8. DISCUSSION

1. Employee ID 208 (January 19, 2026)
2. Status of the Public Safety Facility
3. Community meeting hosted at Ruger Ranch

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- A. New Business Agenda Item Requests for the next regular meeting, workshops, and other meetings. Station 82 Ruger Ranch, Yarnell Fire status, update to Bylaws.
- B. Upcoming Meeting Date: Next Regular Session – February 18, 2026, at 10:00 AM.

10. ADJOURNMENT by Neil Rifenkark at 11:20 AM