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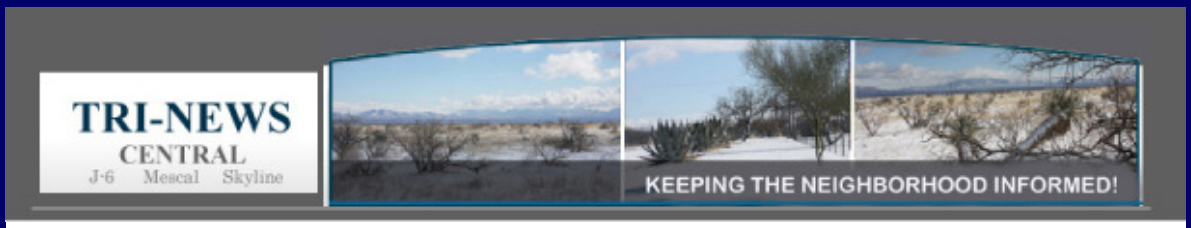

COMPARISON WITH CPA NUMBERS CONFIRMS MESCAL-J6 FIRE BOARD APPROVED THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS IN ERRORS IN ORIGINAL FINANCIAL SUMMARY REPORTS.

CPA Curtis Ohlhauser, hired by the Mescal-J6 Fire District in January , recently prepared revised packets and other Financial Reports for July thru March for review by the Fire District Governing Board on April 27th. Our last article discussed how the packets were incomplete: some missing reconciliation reports, profit and loss statements, etc.

This article will focus on the question posed by Board Member Dan Simmons who asked what numbers were being amended, and what about the allegations by the J-6/Mescal Community Development Organization (CDO)? The previous Treasurer commented that CDO's allegations are just allegations - no comment from Chief John Moran, Administrator, as to how the revised documents compared to what was originally approved, what numbers were amended by the CPA, etc.

CPA numbers confirm CDO's initial concerns regarding the monthly financial summary documents prepared by Chief John Moran and approved by the Fire District Governing Board.

CDO has compared the numbers prepared by the District in their original approved financial summary reports, the numbers CDO posted in December as being incorrect according to support documents, and the numbers generated by the CPA. CPA numbers support CDO's concern that thousands of dollars of errors were made in the initial financial summary reports prepared and approved by the Fire District for July thru October.
Example: Month of September HB2572 Financial Summary Report
September Originally Approved Revenue. . . . . $ 24,607.11
CDO Posted Review of Support Docs . . . . . $ 8,727.27
CPA Revised Number . . . . . $ 8,732.27

September Original Approved Total Operating Expenses. . . . . $ 32,706.55
CDO Posted Review of Support Doc. . . . . $ 16,903.81
CPA Revised Number. . . . . $ 16,908.81

Click here for review chart for July thru October logging repeated instances where CDO's numbers from support documents were very close to the CPA's, but often thousands from those originally approved by the District.

At the May 9th Special Meeting, Mary McCool, Chair of CDO presented a letter from the CDO Board during the Call to The Public that provided a detailed list of missing documents from the financial reports that were prepared by the CPA. The CDO Board, having monitored financial disclosures for well over a year, asked the Fire District to revisit the 9 months of reports just

approved so that (at minimum) certain reports are labeled as amended, all reports contain reconciliation reports, profit and loss statements, balance sheets, warrant lists, etc. If the Board accepts the inaccurate statement in the May 9th draft minutes, " the document continued to try to persuade the Board to adopt the use of documentation and reports as Mrs. McCool would personally like to see them", it is unlikely the Board will move the CDO request forward.

CDO has laboriously requested financial pubic records, certification of postings, etc. trying to improve transparency and accuracy. After requesting assistance from the State Ombudsman, the public is now able to review a copy of board presented materials at the beginning of a meeting. This means that CDO is not forced to request each document through the F.D. attorney to then wait 2-3 months to get to see the documents or to obtain copies as has historically been the case.

The Ombudsman is currently investigating the District withholding certain financial documents previously approved by the Board that the District knows contain mistakes.

The Office of the Arizona Attorney General Open Meeting Law Enforcement Team is also currently reviewing/investigating 5 complaints that might also result in recommendations to the District to assist in achieving greater transparency.

If the Mescal Governing Board does not honor CDO's request to relook / complete the 9 months of financial records they have just approved, then private, state, and legislative resources will be sought to encourage the District to meet the minimum standard of financial reporting and record keeping as required by state statute when spending our taxpayers' money.

Mary McCool, Chair
Barbara Radzykewycz, CDO Board Member
Harry Stacy, CDO Treasurer

PAVING TO CONCLUDE EAST OF TUCSON NEXT WEEK

I-10 Paving work will continue with work at the Davidson Canyon Bridge, followed by paving in both directions of the interstate between State Route 83 (Exit 281) and the Marsh Station Interchange.

Monday May 16th – paving one westbound lane of replaced bridge at Davidson Canyon. One westbound lane will remain open to traffic.

Tuesday May 17 – second westbound lane will be paved while one remains open to traffic.

Wednesday May 18- crews paving both directions of I-10 between SR83 (Exit 281)

Thursday May 19 and mile post 288, approximately three miles west of Marsh Station.

RAMP CLOSURES LIMITED TO SR83 on Wed. May 18th. Intermittent closures of the on-ramps in that area. Ramp closures are not expected to exceed one hour and ramps will be closed in only one direction at a time to maintain access to State Route 83.

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