

QCCIFD Meeting Minutes – April 13, 2023

The Queen Creek County Island Fire District (QCCIFD) governing board met in a properly posted open public meeting on Thursday, April 13, 2023. The meeting was held at the Queen Creek Community Chambers, 20727 E. Civic Parkway, Queen Creek, AZ 85142.

The following agenda items were considered at the meeting:

- A. The meeting of the QCCIFD board was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair Memmott.
- B. Roll Call: Chair Memmott, Clerk Schult and Member Kuefner are in attendance.

Item 1: Presentation detailing the Queen Creek County Island Fire District (QCCIFD), the proposed boundary change, and the boundary change process (QCCIFD #23-017).

Fire District Consultant John Flynn and Queen Creek Fire Chief Gray gave a presentation to community members in attendance. The presentation included information on the history of the Queen Creek County Island Fire District, the Queen Creek Fire Department, and a map of the area in discussion for the possible county island expansion.

Item 2: PUBLIC HEARING: Pursuant to ARS §48-262, the QCCIFD Governing Board will hear taxpayer comments of those who appear for and against the proposed boundary change which will add 236 parcels of real property to the QCCIFD as detailed in the boundary change impact statement. (QCCIFD #23-018).

The hearing was opened by Chairman Memmott to the public. Consultant Flynn, Chief Gray, and the QCCIFD Board Members answered questions and concerns from the public. Several people asked questions about the boundary change process and spoke in favor of it. Staff provided answers.

The hearing was closed by Chairman Memmott.

Item 3: Discussion and possible action concerning whether the proposed boundary change to add 236 parcels of real property to the QCCIFD will promote the public health, comfort, convenience, necessity, or welfare; and if so determined, the governing body shall approve the impact statement and authorize the circulation of petitions pursuant to ARS §48-262.A.5. (QCCIFD #23-019).

Consultant Flynn discussed the boundary change and that 236 parcels are included in the potential expansion. If the board authorizes the circulation of petitions, the community will have one year to gather and collect signatures from those parcel owners. In order to form the district, the community will have to collect 50% + 1 signatures to meet the required threshold. There was a discussion on how the tax rate is configured and how taxes will be collected.

Motion by Kuefner/ 2nd by Schult: To approve the impact statement and authorize the circulation of petitions pursuant to ARS §48-262.A.5; Passed 3-0.

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Item 4: Adjourn; Motion by Memmott / 2nd by Kuefner to adjourn the meeting at 7:26pm.
Passed 3-0.

QCCIFD meeting minutes approved: May 31, 2023:

Marion Memmott, Board Chair

Diana Schult, Board Clerk

Daniel Kuefner, Board Member