## Minutes of the Oracle Fire District public meeting held on April 2, 2012 at 1800 hours.

Roll call: (9) Firefighters, (1) Explorer(s), (3) CERTs, (2) Public / Minutes of the past meeting were read and approved.

## **Operations Reports:**

Treasurer's report: General account \$381,342.35 / Payroll account \$38,089.92 / Recreation account \$1,204.85 / Volunteer Pension account \$200,366.12 Drill Schedule: April 5th and 10th at 1800 hours. April 15th at 0800 hours Explorer Report: by Brent Last Month Call Load Report: 40. Total calls YTD (2012): 180 CERT Report: by Doug

## **New Business:**

• Call to the public: None.

• We discussed the recently submitted WFHF 2012 Grant and provided a progress update on the WFHF 2010 and 2011 Grants.

• We discussed the Pinal County Firewise Grant and Rachel was recognized (in her absence) for all of her time and efforts for working on this grant. The grant was awarded at \$68,225.

• Members of the fire department including support groups such as CERT's and Firewise along with other community organizations worked together on a Community Betterment project during March. The property selected was located in a critical evacuation route area that was identified by OFD and Firewise Board members. A special thanks was given for the many volunteers who donated their time, vehicles and garbage vouchers. Approximately 20 loads of garbage were hauled away.

• Discussion regarding the Helicopter Landing Zone, repainting and electrical upgrades. Painting will take place soon.

• A motion was made and seconded to renew the wildland contract with the State Foresters Office. A vote of 2 ayes carried the motion.

• A motion was made and seconded to advertise the upcoming Fire Board election. The motion carried by a vote of 2 ayes.

• A motion was made and seconded to deed the front five feet of roadway access to Pinal County as part of the new building permit process. The motion carried by a vote of 2 ayes.

• We discussed the ongoing EMS First Responder class. The class is a mixture of Fire Explorers and CERT's.

• Brent talked about the recent Fire Explorer Academy in Casa Grande. Special thanks was given to Brent, Tyler, Cheryl and Michael Parra for helping with the event.

• It was decided that OFD would put two firefighters through a Driver Operator Academy at Avra Valley FD. Selection will be determined by interest and seniority.

**Next meeting:** May 7th at 1800 hours. Meeting adjourned at 1857 hours. Minutes approved by: Chief Albert Ortiz/ Secretary Larry Southard / April 3, 2012