

Minutes of the Oracle Fire District public meeting held on October 1st, 2012 at 1800 hours.

Roll call: (12) Firefighters (1) Explorer(s) (2) CERTs (1) Public

Minutes of the past meeting were read.

Operations Reports:

Treasurer's report: General account \$243,324.82 _ Payroll account \$35,782.44 _ Recreation account \$2,427.72 _ Volunteer Pension account \$198,127.45

Drill Schedule: Oct 4th and 9th at 1800 hours. October 14th at 0800 hours

Explorer Report: By Jared

Last Month Call Load Report: 37. Total calls year to date: 401

CERT Report: By Kate

New Business:

Call to the public: Firewise Board and CERT member Rachel thanked everybody for the nice messages she received during her loss.

We had a brief discussion regarding the Grading and Drainage report that Arroyo Engineering and Grenier Engineering are presently working on. No timeline was provided.

The close-out documents for the Pinal County Firewise grant have been delivered to the Emergency Management Office in Florence. An OFD invoice was included in the documents.

We are still waiting for grant auditors at the Arizona State Foresters Office to approve work that was started in the first quarter of 2012 on the WFHF -11 Grant. BC Southard will contact them again and schedule another meeting if necessary. The 2012 WFHF Grant was not funded.

We discussed hiring CPA Jennifer Phillips to perform a financial audit. It was agreed that Chief Ortiz would contact her for additional information.

Blue Cross/Blue Shield and Star Mark Insurance submitted employee medical insurance renewal quotes. BCBS was selected as the better package and having the lowest rates.

All OFD radios have been reprogrammed for Narrow Band compliance with FCC regulations. The deadline for compliance is January 1st, 2013.

Engine 691 is back in service after having extensive pump repairs done at United Fire in Tucson.

The trench burner pit has been filled back in. Chief Ortiz used the opportunity as a way to get rid of the large stumps and logs that have been accumulating at the Brush Dump. It was also decided to return the trench burner to Coronado National Forest as it is too costly to have a loader feeding brush into the trench and we would have needed to build a large cement retaining wall for continued use of the machine.

Jared Ortiz was officially welcomed into the fire department as a fighter.

Next meeting: November 5th at 1800 hours.

Meeting adjourned at 1900 hours.

Minutes approved by:

Chief Albert Ortiz _____ Date _____

Secretary Larry Southard _____ Date _____