

ORACLE FIRE DISTRICT ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING

June 22, 2012 at the Oracle Fire Department, Oracle, Arizona

Meeting start time: 08:05

Present: Chief Albert Ortiz, Battalion Chief Larry Southard, Office Manager/HR Tina Acosta
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Copies of the proposed budget and taxing information were provided and reviewed.

- BC Southard stated that most residents are concerned about the tax levy and explained that property valuations are down approximately 1%, so the tax levy in the budget went down about 1% to balance. This caused a 1% increase in the tax rate. He emphasized that the tax levy is more important.
- Taxing Information will be posted on Oracle Fire Department website and bulletin board in front office.
- The tax levy and rate held steady for the last few years (the maximum tax rate in the State of Arizona is 3.25. The proposed rate is 2.66.
- There was a discussion comparing our tax rate to that of Pinal County and the Oracle School District.
- In this new fiscal year, a portion of the uniform allowance provided to employees can be shifted towards medical insurance costs.

Public was asked if they had any questions. There was no response.

Chief Ortiz made a motion to accept the budget as submitted. BC Southard seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 08:41.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Tina Acosta.