

ORACLE FIRE DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday August 5, 2014/ Approved September 2, 2014

Meeting was officially called to order at 6:08pm, Tuesday August 5, 2014 at 1475 W. American Ave., Oracle, AZ.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Chairman Navarro, Clerk Brown, OFDBMs Bristow and McMurry.

Members Absent:, OFDBM Doran

Staff Present: Asst. Chief Jennings , Admin. Chief Acosta

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

2. ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Chairman Navarro asked the Board members if there were any changes to the June 3, 2014 minutes. There were none. OFDBM Bristow made a motion to accept these minutes as provided. Clerk Brown seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Chairman Navarro then asked the Board members if there were any changes to the July 8, 2014 minutes. There were none. OFDBM McMurry made a motion to accept these minutes as provided. Clerk Brown seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

3. CALL TO PUBLIC.

No public response.

4. CHIEF'S REPORT – Attached

Also attached: July 2014 Financial Reports and Call Load Report, plus the FY13/14 Year end financial report. Chief Acosta stated that CPA Jennifer Phillips will begin the Financial Review next Monday, Aug. 11. Chairman Navarro reminded us that we will have to budget for the financial audit next year, rather than the review, per new State Statutes, as the cost of the audit will fall into the FY 15/16 budget.

The Oath of Office was administered to new recruit Benjamin de los Monteros by Asst. Chief Robert Jennings.

Clerk Brown recommended that Staff promote our accomplishments, such as hiring new recruits, the promotions to Captain and that we are helping our neighbors by sending wildland trucks to Northern Arizona and Central California. She offered to contact John Hernandez of The San Manuel Miner to do monthly articles on OFD. Chief Acosta said that the local paper had offered a center spread once a month, which was used a few times.

Chief Acosta added to the Chief's Grant report that the Firewise Board will be meeting to strategize writing a proposal for a grant available through Pinal County to Firewise communities. As Oracle is the only Firewise community in Pinal County, the grant, with funding up to \$63,000, was made available as long as the proposal is received by the end of August so that it can be placed on the Board of Supervisors agenda for the September 3rd regular meeting.

5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING DECOMMISSIONING OF DEPARTMENT ASSETS. FIRE CHIEF IS REQUESTING HE HAVE AUTHORITY TO DECOMMISSION ANY OUTDATED, EXPIRED, OR UNSAFE EQUIPMENT OR SUPPLIES THAT ARE NO LONGER NEEDED FOR NORMAL OFD OPERATIONS. DECOMMISSIONING MAY INCLUDE DISPOSAL, SALE, TRADE-IN OR A DONATION THAT IS IN THE BEST INTEREST ORACLE FIRE DISTRICT AND WHICH HAVE AN ESTIMATED VALUE OF \$100 OR LESS.

OFDBM Bristow made a motion to give authority to the OFD Fire Chief to decommission department assets of a value of \$100 or less. OFDBM McMurry seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

OFDBM Bristow brought up the Chief's Evaluation form, that was included in the July meeting packets (copies were provided to all Board members). He recommends that the Board meet to finalize the form. Perhaps they could meet in an Executive session after the September meeting.

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday September 2, 2014 at 6pm.

6. ADJOURNMENT

OFDBM McMurry made a motion for the meeting to adjourn. OFDBM Bristow seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned 6:52 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Tina Acosta – Administrative Chief

Reviewed by OFD Board Clerk Ellie Brown