

**Minutes of the Oracle Fire District public meeting held on
March 5, 2012 at 1800 hours.**

Roll call: (11) Firefighters, (1) Explorer(s), (0) CERTs, (1) Public /
Minutes of the past meeting were read and approved.

Operations Reports:

Treasurer's report: General account \$459,540.06 / Payroll account \$37,502.70 / Recreation account \$1900.63 /
Volunteer Pension account \$200,032.32

Drill Schedule: March 8th and 13th at 1800 hours. March 18th at 0800 hours

Explorer Report: Group discussion

Last Month Call Load Report: 52. Total calls YTD (2012): 140

CERT Report: by Traci

New Business:

- Call to the public: Charlotte Poole talked about the upcoming Fire Board election process and she announced that she had mailed in her application to the Elections Department.
 - We discussed the Pinal County Wildland Exercise and the Red Card Testing event. Four OFD firefighters and a Type 3 Engine attended the all day training exercise.
 - An Oracle Firewise Day event was announced including a request for volunteer help on March 31st.
 - We discussed the trench burner unit that was loaned to us by Coronado National Forest. It was agreed that we would ask the Oracle Firewise Board to fund the fencing project.
 - A motion was made and seconded to sign the Arizona Department of Forestry Crew Use Agreement for using the Tucson DOC crew to work on future fuels thinning projects. The motion carried with a vote of 2 ayes and 0 nays.
 - A motion was made and seconded to accept the Pinal County Secured Rural Schools Grant if it were to be approved by the Pinal County Board of Supervisors on March 14th, 2012. The motion carried with a vote of 2 ayes and 0 nays.
 - A motion was made and seconded to begin accepting bids to construct the metal building on the empty lot next door and that the contractor(s) that presented the best value to the fire district would be awarded the contract. The motion carried by a vote of 2 ayes and 0 nays.
- Albert gave a progress report for the new awning above the diesel tank. The framing has been completed and the roofing will be scheduled soon.
- We discussed the recent NIMS review from Pinal County Emergency Management. It was agreed that NIMS needed to be added to our SOG's and including our training records. NIMS will also become a regular part of many drills and exercises as well as actual emergency events. Most firefighters have obtained ICS700 but several still need ISC 100, 200 and 800. They will be encouraged to get those classes completed during this month.
 - We discussed the recent CERT class that was held during February. Eight new CERT's have joined our team.
 - Discussion regarding the Helicopter Landing Zone, repainting and electrical upgrades. A thanks was given to Will for donation the paint. Whyte Electric Company will install the new lighting device that was donated by Lois Briggs.

Next meeting: April 2nd at 1800 hours. Meeting adjourned at 1856 hours.

Minutes approved by: Chief Albert Ortiz / Secretary Larry Southard / March 5, 2012