

**Minutes of the Oracle Fire District public meeting  
held on October 4, 2010 at 1800 hours.**

Roll call: (13) Firefighters, (0) Explorer(s), (4) CERTs, (2) Public  
Minutes of the past meeting were read and accepted by the Governing Board.

**Operations Reports:**

Treasurer's report: General account \$298,394.04 Payroll account \$33,873.27 Recreation account \$2,145.21 ,  
Volunteer Pension account \$193,502.06

Drill schedule: October 7th and 12th at 1800 hours and October 17th at 0800 hours. .

Explorer report: None

Call load report: September calls 66. Year to date calls 411

**New Business:**

- The Arizona Department of Forestry has been awarded a grant for fuel thinning. They currently have funding available to release to the communities of Catalina, Sonoita, and Oracle and they have suggested that we request \$50,000 to begin with. The Governing Board voted to accept the grant in blocks of \$50,000 on an as needed basis.
- Four fire trucks that were loaned to the department by Larry and Terrie Southard in 2000 and 2002 have been purchased. Chief Ortiz and Chief Ramsay made an offer of \$60,000 and the offer was accepted by the Southard's. The vehicles that were purchased include Engine 693, Tender 692, FP-1, and Rescue-1. The Southard's will be removed as lien holders from the titles.
- A new system called FFRS (Fire Fighter Response System) was displayed. The system will provide valuable information to the on-duty crew and to firefighters and CERT's who are responding from home.
- Repairs have been made to the code lights in Rescue 691. The diesel fill line will be scheduled for a modification that will make it easier to fill with fuel.
- The public restroom remodel project is nearing completion. Jeff volunteered to help finish the plumbing and electrical.
- Chief Ramsay talked about some changes to the Explorer program. A training class will be held for the adult Advisors.
- Call to the public: Doug Johnson talked about the upcoming Thanksgiving Dinner event.

Next meeting: November 1st at 1800 hours. / Meeting adjourned at 1834 hours

Minutes approved by: Chief Albert Ortiz/ Secretary Larry Southard September 13, 2010

**CALL LOAD FOR SEPTEMBER 2010:**

Structure Fires: 0, Brush Fires: 0, Vehicle Fires: 0, Other Fires: 1, Wildland Assignments: 0, Smoke in Area: 1,  
Motor Vehicle Accidents: 2, Hazmat: 0; Rescue: 0, Emergency Medical Service: 37, Public Assist: 6, Lockouts: 6,  
Desert Pest Removal: 11, Fire Prevention: 0, Welfare Checks: 0, False Alarms: 2, Smell Gas: 0  
TOTAL CALLS: 66