

## Minutes of the Oracle Fire District public meeting held on August 3, 2009 at 1800 hours

Roll call: (14) Firefighters (2) Explorer(s) (4) CERTs (0) Public

Minutes of the past meeting were read and accepted by the Governing Board:

Operations Reports:

Treasurer's report: General account \$230,547.09, Payroll account \$24,654.13, Recreation account \$2,502.65, Volunteer Pension account \$194,354.06

Drill schedule: Aug 6th and 10th at 1800 hours and August 16th at 0800 hours. Vehicle report: None.

Explorer report: Update on current issues. Call load report: June: 57 calls. Year to date: 373 calls.

New Business:

Copies of the new recruitment brochure were on display. Kate Horton was thanked for all of her work in creating it. She also posted the brochure on the OFD website.

We discussed the Neighborhood Firewise evaluation project. About 200 properties have already been evaluated. Traci and Jason will color code the properties based on the score they received. Completed maps will be put on the OFD website.

West Linda Vista residents are forming a group to explore the benefits and costs of installing fire hydrants in their neighborhood. OFD will work with the group and with Arizona Water Company throughout the process.

An EMT Refresher class has been requested through Central Arizona College, and to be hosted at OFD. We are currently waiting for the dates to be set.

A CERT class began on July 25th. Eight local citizens are taking the 20 hour class. Several of our firefighters commented about the important work that the CERT's do for the department.

Neighborhood Firewise Workshops will resume in October. We will try to schedule 2 workshops per month for the remainder of 2009.

Chief Ortiz reported on the Arizona Fire Chiefs Conference and Expo that was recently held in Glendale. OFD Engine 692 was on display and was said to have presented well for the manufacturer and the sales rep.

Chief Ortiz gave thanks to the firefighters and CERT's who responded to a structure fire on July 24th. The fire occurred in a very rural area without hydrants and sustained only moderate damage to one area of the home. An "after action review" (AAR) was presented by Captain Slyter on August 2nd.

Chief Ramsay announced that another CCW class would be held here on August 22nd.

Next meeting: Sept 7th at 1800 hours. Meeting adjourned at 1842 hours

Minutes approved by: Chief Albert Ortiz / Secretary Larry Southard

CALL LOAD FOR JULY 2009:

Structure Fires - 1 / Brush Fires - 3 / Vehicle Fires - 0 / Other Fires - 3 / Motor Vehicle Accidents - 5 / Hazmat - 0 / Rescue - 1 / Emergency Medical Service - 31 / Public Assist- 4 / Lock outs- 2 / Desert Pest Removal - 4 / Fire Prevention - 1 / Welfare Checks - 1 / False Alarms - 1 / Total Calls- 57