

**Minutes to the Regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Sonoita-Elgin Fire District**  
**Monday, July 15, 2013**  
**At the Fire House**  
**6 p.m.**

**Call to Order** – meeting will be recorded

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call** – Present; Izzo, Bianchi, Rinaldi and Berry; Pfitzenmaier absent.

**Motion to approve** minutes to meeting of June 17, 2013; motion by Bianchi, seconded by Berry, motion carried.

**Moment of Silence** – A moment of silence was observed as a Tribute to the Granite Mountain Hotshots.

**Chief's Report** – Chief De Wolf discussed the June's monthly reports; Website hits, Run Report and a brief overview of the status of our Fuels Mitigation Crew, current grants and upcoming grants. De Wolf reported on the first meeting of the Strategic Planning Team and gave a report of the District's Financial Status and advised the Board that we had made the final payment on our ambulance loan.

**Audit Committee** – Bianchi – we will meet with the Auditor on July 26, 2013 at 2 p.m. at the Fire House.

**Budget and Finance Committee** – Bianchi talked about the creation of the committee; left the definition of the committee into the future as the bill had yet been signed into law.

**New Business** – Granite Mountain Hotshots; Bianchi. Bianchi wanted the District to make a contribution to the firefighters who were lost in the Yarnell Fire. Chief De Wolf advised that per legal counsel, the District was prohibited by Arizona Constitution from making such contribution. After much discussion and input from the community, it was decided to do a boot drive around the community to raise funds for the Granite Mountain Hotshots and the Community of Yarnell.

**Audience Comments** – Richard Cardillo – He told the Board that he was interested in being part of the Strategic Planning Committee and heard that the committee had already met and he had not been invited. He wondered if the community members would be included. Chief De Wolf advised that the committee was not a committee of the Board, but the Chief's committee. The recent meeting was simply an organizational meeting and included only himself and the two Board members. The first meeting including community members would be held within the next 30-45 days and Mr. Cardillo would be included.

**Board Comments**- Bianchi, was pleased with the community response to the fund-raising efforts.

**Motion to adjourn** – motion to adjourn, Bianchi; seconded by Rinaldi, motion carried.