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**Fire Advisory Board Meeting Minutes**  
**October 20, 2011**

Meeting was called to order at 19:05 by Chairman Bush with 14 members present.

Present were; Craig LaPlante, Joe Finnegan, Gary Lutz, Dan Basford, Kit Smith, Jim Lowery, Scott McRobbie, Ron Streeter, Joe Gallagher, Adrian Bush, Rick Coller, Bob White, Marty Hassett, and Robert Kerr.

Excused were; George Brouse, Tom Popham, Jerry Wilson, Jim Houmiel, Augie Weiss, Steve Badlam, Jon Putney, and Vincent Ferry.

Minutes from the August 8<sup>th</sup> meeting were read M/M by Ron Streeter to accept, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gary Lutz, carried.

**Director Hassett:** Flower fund - it is collection time please pay up. Update on the CAD System, there are 4 companies that are in the running for the updates, Positron and Spillman are the front runners at this time.

There is a name change for OFPC, it is now DHSOEM. We are looking for a Grant to update our Repeaters. Last year we got \$238,000.00, so far this year there are no Grants available, so we will be looking for next years funding grant.

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**Budget:** It should be in place by December 4<sup>th</sup> and our part will be left alone due to givebacks in the past.

**SLC Fire Training Facility:** Bob Kerr and Bob White gave a report as follows: the buildings are doing well and classes are going well

Burn Building - there have been meetings every couple of weeks and there have been good results from them. We have about \$18,000.00 so far in the Fund raising effort; we will be looking to Businesses for support also.

Soil Samples are not complete as of yet. They are still working on them. We will need to get some Building Specs soon and we are still working on Grants to fund this.

**Narrow Banding:** We will be sending an outreach to all Departments in the County to help understand this. All Departments are urged to try to find Grants to help out with purchasing new radios.

**Training:** Course Cancelations - it is going ok so far with the new Policy. So far only 3 Departments that have not had people show up for a class.

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**Fit Testing:** A question was asked on the availability of the equipment. New FF's can come to the office or the Ogdensburg Fire Department to get this done if there is not a machine in their District when needed. There are 3 machines in the County. Chief's are to contact their District Deputies to schedule testing.

At this time there is no more business, M/M by Joe Finnegan to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Kerr, meeting adjourned at 20:40.

Respectfully submitted

Craig LaPlante

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