

# HOCOC Meeting

Location: Baker's Ponderosa

February 9, 2019 3:00 PM

Attendance: 5

Brandon Martineau called a board meeting to discuss July 4<sup>th</sup> activities and planning. At this meeting the Board also appointed, by a unanimous vote, Christina "Chris" Coleman as Secretary/Treasurer replacing Pam Cross and Debra Prevost as Director replacing Devin Porter.

Location: Rim Country Community Center

February 12, 2019 5:15 PM

Attendance: 30

Brandon Martineau opened the meeting by thanking everyone involved with making the annual Pony Express Meet and Greet event a success. A large number of people attended and a video is available on the Chamber website for viewing.

Orry and Ellen of the US Forest Service were guest speakers and spoke on the hot topic of bark beetles. Plans are in process to thin the forest adjacent to private property surrounding Heber-Overgaard. 3000 acres with severe infestation areas have been identified. A target date of May is in place providing legal hurdles have been met and approved. Property owners can also contact the University of Arizona Extension office for more information.

EAA Chapter 1044 is accepting 2019 Aviation Summer Camp Scholarship applications. Deadline is February 22, 2019. This is for the 16-18-year-old and is a great opportunity!

Fire Chief Dee McCluskey discussed new procedures for burn permits in 2019. There are changes in what can be burned as well as when you can burn. Permits can be found online at [www.hofdaz.com](http://www.hofdaz.com) under Find It Fast. Fire inspections prior to burning are still required and free.

The Business of the Month drawing – The lucky winner for February is The Escape Room. Congrats!

Joe of the Sheriff's Auxiliary Volunteer (SAV) Program presented a short speech on SAV functions. The SAV's currently keep an eye on over 400 residences while supporting the Sheriff's Department with traffic control, crime and accident scene preservation and, of course, parade duty, and much more. They are on call 24/7 and certainly underappreciated! If you have an interest in joining this group, please contact your local sheriff's department.

The meeting was opened to the public. Lenore Peeler of the Lions Club reminded everyone that they are getting ready to kick off the Flags for First Grader's program.

Brandon concluded the meeting by letting everyone know that we are gearing up for July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend and we are in need of at least 18 volunteers. If anyone is interested, please contact the Chamber.

At this time the meeting concluded.