

SOUTHERN INYO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Thursday, September 19, 2024

The Governing Board of the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District held a regular business meeting on Thursday, September 19, 2024 at 6pm at the St. Therese Mission in Charleston View.

I. Call to order and determination of quorum

Present: Robin Flinchum, Chair, Spencer McNeal, Secretary, Eliza Woodall, Director, Larry Levy, Mike Jerry, Susan Sorrels, Cam Mayer, Colette Zelwer, Dan Macbrohn, Angie Sinohui. Flinchum calls meeting to order and establishes quorum at 6:01.

II. Confirmation of Agenda/Reading of Minutes:

- A. Approve minutes from the August regular meeting. Woodall moves to approve minutes as presented. McNeal seconds. Carries 3-0-0.

III. Good of the Order

IV. Public Comment: 3 minutes per participant

V. Correspondence

VI. Board, Officer and Committee Reports

- A. Board Member Reports
 - a. Board Chair Report
 - b. Treasury/Budget Report
 - b.i. Woodall moves to accept report as presented. McNeal seconds. Carries 3-0-0.
- B. Fire Chief's Report
 - a. 5 calls. 4 EMS. 1 fire.
- C. Administrative Report
 - a. Report on efforts so far to retrieve our equipment and gear from former volunteers, as well as what further steps are required.
 - a.i. Levy will contact Phil Worsman about getting the 2 remaining vehicles back
- D. Fleet Mechanic's Report
 - a. State of Motor Pool
 - a.i. S-71 AC out. S-73 in service and is primary right now.
 - a.ii. 2782 being worked on by Levy.
- E. Committee Reports
 - a. Water Kiosk
 - b. Fundraising
 - b.i. Will have formal agenda meeting next week

VII. Old Business

- A. Fire inspections
- B. Report on new fire house progress
 - a. Had a planning meeting on 9/6 with County. They are getting quotes for the buildings.
 - b. McNeal will try and get some quotes on buildings and Jerry will keep track of the results and information on a 60x80 building.
- C. Recruiting and training EMTs and firefighters
 - a. Update on training class
 - b. Discuss and consider options for recruiting a new fire chief
 - b.i. Flinchum will get in touch with Bill Lutz about firming up his interest.

- c. Report from Flinchum on chief job description – REMOVE ITEM
- D. Update on radio communications
 - a. Satellite phones/radios purchase
- E. Connect well to fire water storage tank

VIII. New Business

- A. Cam Mayer presentation
- B. Fill Linda Lee's board seat
 - a. McNeal moves to appoint Colette Zelwer. Woodall seconds. Carries 3-0-0.
- C. Update on insurance claim for damage to Phil's Spartan engine
- D. SIFPD's compliance with grand jury report
 - a. Our detailed plan response to the grand jury is due October 31, 2024.
 - b. Jerry will send list of lodgings required to be inspected
 - c. Levy: Suggests to train a member of the fire department to do the inspections
 - d. McNeal will send the compliance plan he created to Jerry
 - e. Jerry will send both the plan and list to the board
 - f. McNeal moves to create a paid part time position internally or externally to do the inspections and the wage to this inspector will be paid by the inspection fees collected. Woodall seconds. Carries 4-0-0. If we can't find a person locally or in Pahrump then we can go to CalFire. Update this on next month's agenda.
- E. Review of board policy section 2180
 - a. Jerry will bring printed copy of the board policies in Board of Directors manual to each meeting
- F. Judy Palmer Starlink equipment donation
 - a. Board wishes to acquire the equipment if Judy is amenable to us not using it until the new fire station locations are in place and needing internet.

IX. Evaluate Distribution of Workload

X. Good of the Order

XI. Public Comment: 3 minutes per participant

XII. Suggested Agenda Items for Next Meeting

XIII. Adjournment & Schedule next Regular Board Meeting: Thursday October 17th at 6PM in Tecopa. Woodall moves to adjourn. Zelwer seconds. Carries 4-0-0. Flinchum adjourns meeting at 8:11.

Prepared by:

Mike Jerry, District Administrator/Secretary

I, Robin Flinchum, Chair, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Meeting Minutes of the September 19, 2024 Regular Business Meeting, Board of Directors, Southern Inyo Fire Protection District.

Robin Flinchum, Board Chairperson

Spencer McNeal, Board Secretary