

**SOUTHERN INYO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
APPROVED MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
December 17, 2016**

The Governing Board of the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District held a regular meeting on Thursday, December 15, 2016 at 6 pm at the Community Center Tecopa Hot Springs Road.

**I. Call to order and determination of quorum**

**Robin Flinchum, Chairperson**

**Amy Noel, Vice Chairperson**

**Vacant**

**Patrick Donnelly, Treasurer**

**Gary Barkley, Member**

**Present:** Chairperson Robin Flinchum, Vice Chairperson Amy Noel, Treasurer Patrick Donnelly, Member Gary Barkley, Chief Larry Levy.

**Visitors:** Sam Fann, Jim Furlough.

Chairperson Flinchum called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm, called roll and established a quorum.

**II. Confirmation of agenda / Reading of Minutes**

•Unapproved minutes for the November 2016, Regular Business Meeting were reviewed and a motion was made to approve. Motion Passed 4,0,0.

**III. Public Comment**

**Any person may address the District Board on any subject pertaining to District business, which is not listed on the agenda. This comment period is provided by the Ralph M. Brown Open Meeting Act (Government Code § 54950 et seq.)**

**IV. Correspondence for possible Board action and/or review**

Letter from Board of Commissioners reminding us to submit our 700 Forms.

**V. Consent Calendar**

**Consent calendar items are considered routine and are acted upon by the Board with a single action. Members of the audience wishing to provide public input may request that the Board remove the item from the Consent Calendar.**

**VI. Board, Officer, and Committee Reports:**

**A. Board Member Reports**

1. A motion was made to accept Treasury and Transaction Reports, Member Barkley 2<sup>nd</sup> and Motion passed 4,0,0. The viewed report contained an error due to incorrect time window of effect. The report's accuracy was not affected.

**B. Fire Chief's Report**

- More emergency responder radios being serviced/reprogrammed.
- Chief Levy proposed a potential model for SIFPD operation, maintenance and payroll based on the existing Mass Casualty model used to delegate and delineate duties to appointed departmental heads. The proposal suggests pooling both callout pay and positional salaries to establish a number of new paid, part-time positions to be filled by existing volunteers. The position of Chief was suggested to be an unpaid role primarily of delegation and organization. A discussion ensued.

**C. Chief Administrator's Report**

- C. Dennett absent from meeting.

**D. Committee Reports**

1. Property Tax : no new business at this time.
2. Budget: to be revisited at a later date.
3. Fund Raising
  - a. The Fire House Fling raised approximately \$5000. A suggestion for a future pancake dinner was offered.

**E. Board Chair Report**

Chair Flinchum addressed the Board about upcoming elections to replace officers and to encourage better morale and team collaboration.

**VII. Old Business**

VIII. **A. Update on Water Project:** Parts for the RO system have been ordered. Lahontin Water District has approved a leach field to deal with waste brine and office operation septic waste. The source well and neighboring wells will be monitored on a regular basis to verify integrity of water table. A discussion ensued concerning the financial viability of the project.

**B. New Fire House Site:** see above.

**IX. New Business.**

**A.** A discussion ensued concerning SIFPD's ability to bill patients for non-insurance

covered costs including physical supplies. The discussion also addressed potential burn permit and standby fees.

**X. Evaluate Distribution of Work Load.**

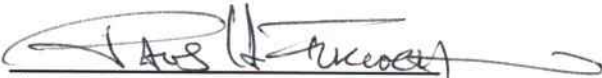
**XI. Good of the Order**

**XII. Suggested Agenda Items for the next meeting.**

- District Fee Ordinance
- Appointment of new Board member.

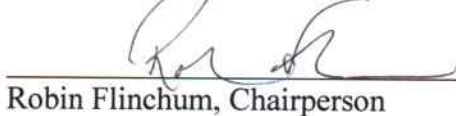
**XIII. Motion was made to adjourn by Member Flinchum, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Member Barkley. Passed 4,0,0. Meeting adjournment at 8:30 pm until the next Regular board meeting on January 19, 2016 at the Tecopa Community Center.**

Prepared by:



Jim Furlough

I, Robin Flinchum, Chair hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Regular Board Minutes of the December 15, 2016 Regular meeting of the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District.



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Robin Flinchum, Chairperson