

**SOUTHERN INYO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
APPROVED MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
NOVEMBER 19, 2015**

The Governing Board held a regular meeting of the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District on Thursday, November 19, 2015 at 6pm at the Community Center Tecopa Hot Springs Road.

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

- **Robin Flinchum, Chairperson**
- **Amy Noel, Vice Chairperson**
- **Toni Kizzia, Treasurer**
- **Gary Barkley, Secretary**
- **Patrick Donnelly**
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**Present:** Chairperson Robin Flinchum , Vice Chairperson Amy Noel, Treasurer, Toni Kizzia, Secretary, Gary Barkley

**Staff:** Larry Levy, Carl Dennett

**Absent:** Patrick Donnelly (arrived at 6:05pm)

**Visitors:** Sam Fann

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 October, 2015, Regular Business Meeting  
Not available.

**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.)**

Gary Barkley spoke as public about need for fire extinguishers and training for residents of Charleston View. Funding sources possibilities, on-line fundraising, St. Therese as training location?

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

None.

**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.**

None.

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

**A. Board Member Reports**

1. Treasury Report—*Motion Required*

1. Transaction Report—*Motion Required*

Chief Levy spoke to the auditor since the last meeting \$20K swing loan still not reclaimed. Reports reviewed. Member Barkley moved to accept the reports Member Kizzia 2nd, further discussion, vote taken and passed 5,0,0.

**B. Fire Chief's Report**

Chief Levy gave his report, including calls out, equipment especially new ambulances and when all on line we may be able to salvage one for income.

**C. Chief Administrator's Report**

Admin Dennett reported Supervisor Kingsley is lobbying to defer our \$1,600 bill for the failed election to raise the District tax, emergency preparedness guideline classes and possible emergency preparedness grants.

**D. Committee Reports**

1. Property Tax

2. Budget

a. Grants

b. 2015-2016 Budget Adoption

Adopted at last meeting.

3. Fundraising

a. Report on Fall fundraiser

About \$4,100 raised after expenses, with some still coming in from auction items not collected yet. Need more help next year.

b. Future Events

St. Therese possible in January.

c. T-shirt sales

T-shirt sales were good, Members Kizzia and Noel donated half of cost, all staff received s shirt free. Remaining t-shirts to be sold through Tecopa Hot Springs Resort, Tecopa Trading Post and Shoshone Village.

4. Development Committee

a. Update on Bright Source funds

Nothing to report.

**VII. Old Business**

**A. Update on water treatment facility project.**

Nothing to report.

**B. Update on Disaster Preparedness Plan**

Keep on agenda continue to discuss. Member Donnelly move to cover travel expenses to Emergency Preparedness workshop brought up by Admin Dennett, Chair Flinchum 2nd further discussion, vote taken and passed 3 yay, Noel nay, Kizzia abstain.

**VIII. New Business**

**A. Discuss and consider planning work day to erect fencing around new fire station property.**

Nature Conservancy offered fencing on property at the end of Elias for the new fire station in the heights. We need to deinstall and install. We need 3 or 4 volunteers and gates. Member Donnelly may be able to supply volunteers from the Conservancy. Yay!

**B. Begin planning for next ballot initiative, confirm results of previous initiative**

Some ballots were not received at least one known. 38 yes 34 no 41 not returned. Aim for next general election in June again, no extra cost. Maybe add if you vote no, which service would you like to eliminate. Member Donnelly moved to put it on the June ballot, Member Kizzia 2nd, no further discussion, vote take and passed 4,0,0. Member Barkley had left the meeting before motion and vote.

**IX. Evaluate Distribution of Work Load**

OK.

**X. Good of the Order**

OK, a bit long.

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

None not already mentioned.

**XII. Adjournment to the next Regular board meeting December 17, 2015, at the Tecopa Community Center.**

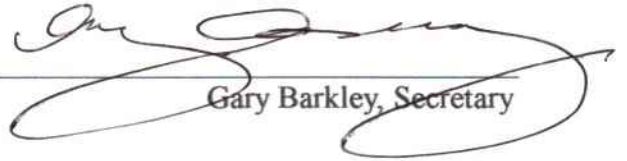
Member Kizzia moved to adjourn, Member Noel 2nd no further discussion, vote taken and passed 4,0,0. Chair Flinchum adjourned the meeting at 8:21 pm.

Prepared by Amy Noel

I, Robin Flinchum, Chair and Gary Barkley, Secretary hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Regular Board Minutes of the November 19, 2015 Regular meeting of the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District.



Robin Flinchum, Chairman



Gary Barkley, Secretary