

**SOUTHERN INYO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**  
***APPROVED MINUTES OF THE***  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**Wednesday, September 21, 2022**

The Governing Board of the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District held a regular (teleconference) business meeting on Wednesday, September 21, 2022 at 6pm via Zoom.

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

Present: Robin Flinchum, Chair, Christy Horne, Treasurer, Jon Zellhoefer, Secretary, Linda Lee, Director (arrived late), Larry Levy, Mike Jerry, Dan Macbrohn, Billy Eichenbaum, Rose Colon, Angie Sinohui, Gary Barkley, Ian Zaitarain. Flinchum calls meeting to order and establishes quorum at 6:00.

**II. Discuss re-resolution to follow Zoom meeting rules pursuant to AB 361**

A. Re-adopt re-resolution. Horne moves to accept resolution. Zellhoefer seconds. Carries 3-0-0.

**III. Confirmation of Agenda/Reading of Minutes:**

A. Approve minutes from August regular meeting. Zellhoefer moves to approve. Horne seconds. Carries 3-0-0.

**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. Zellhoefer moves to approve financial report as received. Horne seconds. Carries 3-0-0.

B. Fire Chief's Report

a. 4 calls last month. Making progress on the fire water tank.

C. Administrative Report

a. FAIRA check returned but County resubmitted on 9/14.

b. Conditional Use Permit application in progress. Will need \$1500 application fee.

c. BLM update. Application for patent for 501 Furnace Creek property is submitted and being processed. Will take 12-18 months according to BLM.

d. Elections update. Flinchum and Lee only ones to respond to request for letter of intent to the County so we will have 3 members. Jerry: Put up board vacancy notice. Send to Rose too.

D. Fleet Mechanic's Report

a. State of Motor Pool

a.i. New tires and repair done on fast attack.

E. Committee Reports

a. Water Kiosk

a.i. Our County grants (annual for water kiosk and fundraiser grant) passed preliminary budget phase. Will be voted on next week.

a.ii. State Water Board grant/project

a.ii.1. Water Kiosk Committee decided to decline the state funding if our County grant comes through. Will resubmit for generator and wiring only.

b. Fundraising

b.i. County fundraiser grant probably going through so we will move Fling to spring. Flinchum will start fundraiser committee.

VII. **Old Business**

- A. New Fire Chief update
  - a. Lucas Reynolds will move here on 9/24 and start 10/1.
  - b. Finalizing fire chief's employment contract
    - b.i. Horne moves to accept contract. Zellhoefer seconds. Carries 4-0-0. (Lee arrived)
  - c. Will let Macbrohn and Reynolds overlap as much as needed to get him up to speed.
- B. Fire water tower/firehouse update
  - a. Macbrohn painted the tank.
  - b. Macbrohn: Some mold in the walls of office building. Getting building ready for work on it. We will schedule a new work party. Levy: Need siding on the inside of parapet wall roof. Roof work could be done for less than \$1000 in materials. Horne moves to spend up to \$1000. Lee seconds. Carries 4-0-0.
- C. Recruiting and training EMTs and firefighters
- D. Discussion regarding contacting state representatives to seek funding
  - a. Flinchum: Drafted a letter to Obernolte. Will be proofed and sent.

VIII. **New Business**

- A. Resolution to purchase the 501 Furnace Creek Road property.
  - a. Horne moves to purchase property. Zellhoefer seconds. Carries 4-0-0.
  - b. If resolution is needed we will do that later.
- B. Resolution to enter into a funding agreement with the state regarding water vending system.
  - a. Deferred pending discussion with state water board.
- C. Discussion/resolution about conditional use permit for 501 Furnace Creek Road property.
  - a. Zellhoefer moves to apply for the CUP and approve \$1500 application fee. Horne seconds. Carries 4-0-0. Levy: Supervisors can waive the fee. Flinchum will call Matt Kingsley about that. Levy: We need to specify on the conditional use permit that we are only applying for the 2.5 acre plot, not the entire 1000-acre plot.
- D. Discuss website regulations for special districts and resolution for hardship exception.
  - a. Zellhoefer moves to accept hardship resolution. Horne seconds. Carries 4-0-0.
  - b. Acquire URL for the district? Jerry: Purchase domain. SIFPD.org if available.

IX. **Evaluate Distribution of Workload**

X. **Good of the Order**

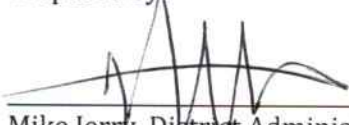
XI. **Public Comment:** 3 minutes per participant

XII. **Suggested Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

- A. CSDA membership
- B. Website discussion.

XIII. **Adjournment & Schedule the next Regular Board Meeting:** Wednesday, October 19, 2022 at 6PM (via Zoom). Lee moves to adjourn. Horne seconds. Carries 4-0-0.

Prepared by:



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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 21, 2022 Regular Business Meeting, Board of Directors, Southern Inyo Fire Protection District.



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Robin Flinchum, Board Chairperson



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Jon Zellhoefer, Board Secretary