## SOUTHERN INYO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT APPROVED MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 2013 6PM

The Governing Board held a regular meeting of the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District on Thursday, January 17, 2013 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
- Joseph Marks, Treasurer
- Rich Regnell, Secretary
- Marie Sanborn

Chair Flinchum called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm, called roll and established a quorum.

Present: Chair, Robin Flinchum, Vice Chair Amy Noel, Treasurer, Joseph Marks (freshly

released from the hospital).

Staff: Admin Chief Carl Dennett

Absent: Secretary, Rich Regnell, Member Marie Sanborn

Visitors: Sam Fann

## II. Confirmation of agenda / Reading of Minutes

Chair Flinchum moved Item VII, the Closed Session, and Item VIII, Report from Closed Session, and agenda item X, D, regarding application for Intervener Status, to after public comment.

 Unapproved minutes from the December, 2012, Regular Business Meeting— Motion

Member Marks moved to accept and approve the December 2012 minutes at the next meeting. Member Noel 2nded. There was no discussion, vote taken and passed 3,0,0.

## 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.)

Admin Chief Dennett expressed concerns about the our legal counsel, especially about the apparent lack of timely response in facilitating Memorandums Of Understanding with other agencies and

the ICEMA contract for SIFPD to provide Advanced EMT services. Member Marks moved to assign Carl Dennett to research alternatives. Chair Flinchum 2nded. There was discussion, vote taken and passed 3,0,0.

Item VII. The Board went into Closed Session, pursuant to Ralph M Brown Open Meetings Act [Government Code §§ 54954.5 (c); 54956.9(b)(c)]: Conference with District Counsel William Ross; Potential Litigation (1 matter).

VIII. Report from closed session:

During closed session the Board consulted with Larry Levy by phone and then proceeded to a conference call with District Counsel William Ross and discussed negotiations and strategies in trying to work out an agreement with the Bright Source Hidden Hills Solar Electric Generating Project.

Item X, D. The Board authorized District Counsel to proceed with an application by the deadline of 2/11/13 to become an Intervener in the California Energy Commission license review process, contingent upon resolution of negotiations with Bright Source.

IV. Correspondence for possible Board action and/or review Admin Chief Dennett reminded the board it's time to refile form 700.

Member Marks stated he would need to leave the meeting due to health issues. Since a quorum would no longer be established with member Marks gone, Chair Flinchum moved to adjourn the meeting Member and table all other agenda items until the next regular meeting. Member Marks 2nded, vote taken and passed 3,0,0. Chair Flinchum adjourned the meeting at 7:29 pm.

XIV. Adjournment to the next Regular board meeting on Thursday, February 21, 2013 at 6:00 P.M. at the Tecopa Community Center.

Prepared by Amy Noel

I, Robin Flinchum, Chair and Rich Regnell, Secretary hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Regular Board Minutes of the September 20, 2012 Regular meeting of the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District.

Robin Flinchum, Chairman

Rich Regnell, Secretary