

**SOUTHERN INYO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
APPROVED MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2014 6PM**

The Governing Board held a regular meeting of the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District on Thursday, April 17, 2014 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, Secretary**
- **Joseph Marks, Treasurer**
- **Gary Barkley**

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

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

**Staff:** Larry Levy, Carl Dennett

**Absent:** Joe Marks

**Visitors:** Sam Fann, Brad Goans, Jim Ramm, Kate Hall

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

- Unapproved minutes from the January, 2014, Regular Business Meeting
- Unapproved minutes from the February, 2014, Regular Business Meeting
- Unapproved minutes from the March, 2014, Regular Business Meeting

Member Noel moved to approve the Jan 2014 minutes Member Barkley 2nd no further discussion, vote taken motion passed 4,0,0.

Member Kizzia moved to accept the already approved minutes from Feb 2014 Member Barkley 2nd, no further discussion, vote take and passed 4,0,0.

Member Kizzia moved to accept with grammatical corrections made by Chair Flinchum the March 2014 minutes. Member Barkley 2nd, no further discussion, vote taken and 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.)**

Brad Goans asked who had finished the on line ethics course? Members Flinchum, Noel, Kizzia and Carl Dennett. Mr. Goans reminded us about CSDA fall conference and grant opportunity for attending. He also shared a reminder about serial meetings.

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

Carl Dennett, reported that he learned something new from the auditor's office about how to handle an over payment from Tri-care and thanked member Noel for not letting him run it through our checking account.

Chief Levy reported that we received a notice that there will be new ambulance rates from ICEMA approved by Inyo County and he'll bring a resolution to the next regular meeting for us to approve and update our rates.

**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**

Member Noel reported that Karma Roper had followed up with her regarding grants and suggested we sign up with [grants.gov](http://grants.gov), which is the agency she finds most useful for getting grants for the Sheriff's department.

**1. Treasury Report—*Motion Required***

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The Treasury and transaction reports were reviewed and discussed. From information provided by Admin Dennett, it appears we had mixed up the budget for worker comp and general liability. Member Barkley moved to move \$3,228 from Insurance Premium to Worker Comp Ins. Member Kizzia 2nd no further discussion, vote taken and passed 4,0,0.

Member Kizzia moved to accept the Treasury and Transaction reports Member Barkley 2nd, no further discussion, vote taken and passed 4,0,0.

**B. Fire Chief's Report**

The Fire Chief gave his report.

**C. Chief Administrator's Report**

The Admin gave his report.

**D. Committee Reports**

1. Property Tax

Nothing to report

Chair Flinchum called a five minute break at 7:30 pm and called the meeting back to order at 7:36.

2. Budget

a. Grants

Regarding the budget Admin Dennett was requested to see if we can get another swing loan if needed in this fiscal year. Staff was requested to see if there are any assets we can sell. FEMA grant still in progress.

3. Fundraising

a. Update on St. Theresa Mission fundraiser and other projects

There was discussion about fundraising to meet our deficit for this fiscal year. Member Kizzia and Noel will meet Tues April 22 with Kate Hall. Chair Flinchum will post the meeting agenda.

Chair Flinchum and Admin Dennett reported we are ready for the St. Therese fundraiser BBQ Sunday April 27.

4. Development Committee

**Nothing to report**

**IX. Old Business**

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**X. New Business**

A. Review and consider acceptance of resignation letter from Member Joe Marks

Member Noel moved to accept Member Marks resignation, Member Kizzia 2nd no further discussion, vote taken and passed 4,0,0.

Chair Flinchum will post opening tomorrow and inform election board.

B. Review of Yearly Action Plan

The Board reviewed Chief Levy's action plan for 2014 - 2015

- XI. Closed Session, pursuant to Ralph M Brown Open Meetings Act (Government Code § 54954.5 et seq.) : Teleconference with William Ross to discuss peripheral litigation.**

**The Board went into closed session at 8:38pm and was informed about a litigation issue about a call that is peripheral to SIFPD business. No action taken and nothing further to report.**

- XII. Evaluate Distribution of Work Load**

**OK**

- XIII. Good of the Order**

**OK**

- XIV. Suggested Agenda Items for the next meeting.**


**Recycling projects, responsibility, Auxiliary report**

- XV. Adjournment to the next Regular board meeting May 15 at the Tecopa Community Center.**

**Member Kizzia move to adjourn, Member Barkley 2nd, no further discussion vote taken and passed 4,0,0. Chair Flinchum adjourned the meeting at 9pm**

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 April 17, 2014 Regular meeting of the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District.

  
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Robin Flinchum, Chairman

  
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Gary Barkley, Secretary