# SOUTHERN INYO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT APPROVED MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS May 15, 2019

The Governing Board of the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District held a Regular Business Meeting on Wednesday, May 15, 2019 at 6:00 pm at the Hurlbut Rook Community Center, Tecopa, CA 92389

### I. Call to order and determination of quorum:

Jon Zellhoefer, Chair

Aaron Smith, Vice-Chair

Ed Thomas, Treasurer

Gary Barkley, Director

VACANT, Secretary

Present: Chairperson Jon Zellhoefer, Treasurer Ed Thomas, Director Gary Barkley, Fire Chief Carl

Dennett, Volunteer Clerk Suzi Dennett. **Absent:** Vice Chairperson Aaron Smith

Visitors: Jim Furlough, Larry Levy

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

## II. Confirmation of Agenda/Reading of Minutes

Motion by Ed Thomas to confirm Agenda. 2<sup>nd</sup> Gary Barkley. 3,0,0. Motion by Chair Zellhoefer to approve the minutes of the March 27th, 2019 Regular Meeting. 2nd by Ed Thomas. 3,0,0.

#### III. Public Comment-

Future agenda item request from resident Jack Holloman regarding the Noble Trust. Email correspondence from Aaron Smith to Ed Thomas conferring proxy.

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

## A. Resolution 2019-1 draft (Regular Business Meeting Schedule)

Motion to approve the Resolution by Chair Zellhoefer. Discussion. 2nd by Ed Thomas. 4,0,0. 3,0,0.

\*Larry Levy objection to use of proxy.\*

#### B. Resolution 2019-2 draft (F/Y 2019/2020 Interim Loan Authorization)

Motion to approve the Resolution by Ed Thomas. 2nd by Gary Barkley. 4,0,0. 3,0,0.

\*Larry Levy objection to use of proxy.\*

C. Resolution 2019-3 draft (County Treasurer Continuity Agreement)-Procedural error. Removed.

### V. Consent Calendar- No items.

#### VI. Board, Officer, and Committee Reports

#### A. Board Member Reports

- **1. Board Chair Report-** Chair Zellhoefer directed Clerk to remove Consent Calendar from future Agendas due to a documented history of an absence of consent items.
- **2. Treasury Report-** Treasurer Ed Thomas motion to accept reports. Gary Barkley 2nd. 3,0,0. Larry Levy noted expense item erroneously deducted from 834003 budget rather than 834001. Error was previously reported to Auditor's Office and adjustment is underway.
- **B.** Fire Chief's Report- Chief Dennett reported 5 medical, 7 vehicle, 1 bicycle, 2 fire. Chief Dennett expressed thanks to Claudia Andracki and Angela Sinohui for ongoing efforts to outfit Sierra 72 for duty in Charleston View.

# C. Administrative Report

**1. Budgets 834001 & 003.** Motion by Treasurer Thomas to approve Budget drafts for posting. 2nd by Jon Zellhoeffer. 4,0,0. 3,0,0.

\*Larry Levy objection to use of proxy. \*

- D. Mechanic's Report- Fleet Status report. Overall fleet condition status quo.
   1. State of the Motor Pool-. Minor repairs ongoing. Non-emergency repairs deferred until after 7/1/2019 due to Budget restraints. No immediate safety issues of concern.
   Discussion of DMV Firefighter endorsement requirements and testing procedure.
- E. Committee Reports
  - 1. Property Tax-No report
  - 2. Budget
  - a. 2019 Budget Committee-Budget Hearing to be scheduled as soon as possible.
  - 3. Fundraising-
  - **4. Development-**Porch construction at Furnace Creek Station ongoing. Tyson Sparrow signed off on post and pier support system for mobile home. Chief Dennett thanked Gary Barkley for all the time and effort expended in undertaking these important projects.

#### VII. Old Business

- A. Update on mobile home set up Roof leak to be addressed by Rick Nogera/Best Set.
- **B.** Report on Water Kiosk
  - 1. ICEHS/Silver State Labs Results-No issues.
  - **2. Determination of Ownership of Kiosk-**County Counsel determined that the Kiosk belongs to Inyo County. There is no instrument of record transferring ownership to SIFPD.
- C. Board Vacancy- Board vacancy ongoing. Discussion of notices being defaced and/or removed.
- D. Discuss/Draft "Task Description" for Water Kiosk Volunteers-postponed.

#### VIII. New Business

- IX. Evaluate distribution of workload- Fine.
- X. Good of the Order- Filling the Board vacancy remains a top priority.
- XI. Suggested Agenda Items for Next Meeting
- X. Adjournment to the next Regular Board Meeting, Wednesday, June 19, 2019, 6Pm, Hurlbut Rook Community Center, 405 Tecopa Hot Springs Road, Tecopa, CA, 92389
  Gary Barkley motion to adjourn. 2nd Ed Thomas. 3,0,0. Meeting adjourned 7:57 PM.

Prepared by:		

Suzi Dennett, Volunteer Board Clerk

I, Jon Zellhoefer, Chair, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Meeting Minutes of the May 15, 2019 Regular Business Meeting, Board of Directors, Southern Inyo Fire Protection District.

Jon Zellhoefer, Chairperson

Acting Secretary

\*IMPORTANT NOTE: Subsequent to the meeting, research into public sector entities such as Special Districts determined that proxy voting is not allowed unless specifically authorized in the by-laws and not in conflict with any existing state laws. Therefore, the voting record of this meeting has been amended to remove the vote counted in absentia for Director Aaron Smith.