

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

The Governing Board held a regular meeting of the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District on Thursday, March 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**
- **Anita Cox**

**Chairperson 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:** Carl Dennett

**Absent:** Anita Cox

**Visitors:** Sam Fann

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

- Unapproved minutes for the February, 2015, Regular Business Meeting

Minutes were reviewed. Member Kizzia moved to accept the February 2015 regular business meeting minutes. Member Barkley 2nd, no further discussion, vote taken and passed 4,0,0.

**V. 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.)**

None.

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

Admin Dennett shared a memo from Inyo County Auditor's office the regarding preliminary budget planning.

**VII. 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.

## VIII. Board, Officer, and Committee Reports:

### A. Board Member Reports

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

Reports were reviewed, no corrections have been made. Member Barkley moved to accept the Treasury and Transaction reports, Member Kizzia 2nd. There was further discussion and it was determined that we need to schedule a meeting with the Auditor's office. Vote taken and passed 3,0,1 abstain by Member Noel.

### B. Fire Chief's Report

Chief Levy was attending an Inyo Fire Chief's meeting and submitted a written report.

### C. Chief Administrator's Report

Admin Dennett reported he's working on ICEMA application for ambulance service renewal.

### D. Committee Reports

1. Property Tax

Nothing to report.

2. Budget
  - a. Grants

There was a brief discussion about potential grants.

- b. 2014-2015 Budget Proposal

We will likely not have enough to carry us through until the next property tax installment. Member Barkley moved to request a \$20,000 swing loan from the county. Vote taken and passed 4-0-0.

- c. Draft petition to raise parcel tax

Chief Levy prepared a proposal which was reviewed and discussed by the Board. Member Kizzia moved to decide by next meeting what to propose to put on November ballot. Member 2nd. There was further discussion, vote taken and passed 4-0-0.

### 3. Fundraising

- a. Offer from Shoshone Desert Art Show Committee

May be put towards new batteries for radios donated.

- b. St. Therese BBQ

There's \$183 seed money for the BBQ. Some discussion about the event.

- c. Future Events

Nothing to report.

### 4. Development Committee

## IX. Old Business

### A. Review and Amend District Policies

Travel policy reviewed only change suggested IRS / County rates or a mutually agreeable lesser amount.

Policy number 2190.2 also reviewed. Member Barkley moved to leave as is until laws including testing are clarified. Member Kizzia 2nd, no further discussion vote taken and passed 4,0,0.

### B. Further discussion regarding District involvement in water treatment facility project

Nothing to report.

## X. New Business

- A. Discuss and consider SIFPD representation in upcoming ICEMA request for bidding on ambulance service.

The Board reviewed a letter presented from the Mono Fire Chief's Association on this issue and determined Chief Levy's input was needed, before action or non-action is taken.

- B. Sign approved resolution supporting National Monument status for the previously region

Resolution not present for signing.

- C. Discuss and consider holding fire extinguisher classes for residents of Charleston View and Tecopa/Shoshone area

Discussion on the issue, will look for grants or maybe a good demo for next Fall fundraiser?  
Spider and snake bite workshop also suggested.

**XI. Evaluate Distribution of Work Load**

OK

**XII. Good of the Order**

OK

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

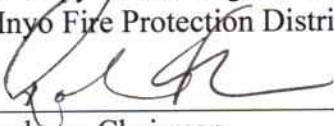
**XIV. Adjournment to the next Regular board meeting April 16, 2015, at the Tecopa Community Center.**

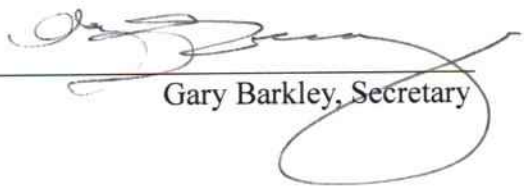
Member Kizzia moved to adjourn, Member Barkley 2nd, no further discussion, vote taken and passed 4-0-0 and Sam!

Chair Flinchum adjourned until the next meeting at 7:28pm.

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 March 19, 2015 Regular meeting of the Southern Inyo Fire Protection District.

  
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Robin Flinchum, Chairman

  
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Gary Barkley, Secretary