

**SOUTHERN INYO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING  
Thursday February 19 - 6PM  
St. Therese Mission Catholic Church  
881 E. Old Spanish Trail  
Tecopa, California  
(760) 852-4130**

**TELECONFERENCE PARTICIPATION VIA ZOOM – Meeting ID: 804-370-4324 (Password: sand)  
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*The allocated time for public comment is three minutes. Audience members wishing to address the Board regarding an item on the agenda must identify themselves at the time the matter comes up for consideration by the Board. The chair will call the visitor, either before, during, or following the Board’s discussion about the matter. The time allowed for each agenda item is a total of three minutes per person.*

**AGENDA**

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

Robin Flinchum, Chair • Cameron Mayer, Vice-Chair • Eliza Woodall\*, Secretary  
Colette Zelwer\*, Treasurer • Spencer McNeal, Director

**II. Good of the Order**

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

**IV. Consent Agenda** (Items that are considered routine and are approved in a single motion)

- A. Approve minutes from the January regular meeting.
- B. Approve last month's changes to board policy 3010.
- C. Approve getting the electrical transfer switch installation at 501 Furnace Creek Road done by D&J.

**V. Correspondence**

- A. Q&A with Rusty Lewellen, DW Tower, LLC, regarding the proposed cell tower installation.

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

- A. Board Member Reports
  - a. Board Chair Report
  - b. Treasury/Budget Report
- B. Fire Chief’s Report
- C. Administrative Report
- D. Fleet Mechanic’s Report
  - a. State of Motor Pool

- E. Committee Reports
  - a. Water Kiosk
  - b. Fundraising
    - b.i. Update on planned events.
- F. Long-Term Planning
  - a. Fire Stations
  - b. Recruitment

**VII. Old Business**

- A. Update on radio communications
- B. Update on SCBA equipment
- C. Update from exploratory committee on future special tax assessment as a ballot measure
- D. Discuss and consider approving estimates for plumbing and installing the propane tank for the generator.
  - a. Report from Flinchum on Amerigas quote.
- E. Review estimates for connecting the well to the fire tank.

**VIII. New Business**

- A. Discussion with John Fuller regarding the March Reggae Festival.
- B. Discuss adding some formal recognition and appreciation for volunteers who go above and beyond (Zelwer).
- C. Present and read Cynthia Kienitz' letter.
- D. Review and make any needed changes to new social media policy (Lutze).
- E. Review and consider a spending limit be added to board policy 2010 (Lutze).
- F. Discuss and consider making the payroll correction for the first seven months of the fiscal year where Jerry was not being paid for the two hours a month from the water kiosk budget.
- G. Discuss and consider mid-year budget amendments.

**IX. Good of the Order**

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

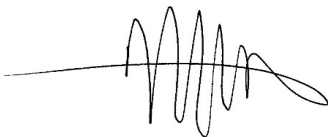
**XI. Suggested Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

**XII. Adjournment & Schedule next Regular Board Meeting:** Thursday March 19<sup>th</sup> at 6PM in Tecopa.

\* Eliza will be attending remotely from the following location: 195 Sundown St. Tecopa, CA 92389

\* Colette will be attending remotely from the following location: 4432 Sparkle Crest Ave. North Las Vegas, NV 89031

**Prepared by:**



*Mike Jerry, SIFPD Administrator*

**2/16/26**

Agenda posted on Monday, February 16, 2026, at the Fire District Office, Tecopa Water Kiosk, Tecopa Post Office, and Tecopa Community Center. To request a copy of the agenda or minutes recorded from this meeting, please contact the District office by phone (760) 852.4130, by email [admin@sifpd.org](mailto:admin@sifpd.org) or on our website [www.sifpd.org](http://www.sifpd.org).