# MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE TWENTYNINE PALMS WATER DISTRICT 72401 HATCH ROAD, TWENTYNINE PALMS, CA 92277

#### **DECEMBER 17, 2014**

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

#### Call to Order and Roll Call

President Moore called the meeting to order at 6:25 p.m., 72401 Hatch Road, Twentynine Palms, California. Those responding to roll call were Directors Chancey Chambers, Carol Giannini, Suzi Horn, Sam Moore, and Roger Shinaver. Also present were Fire Chief Jim Thompson, Financial Consultant Josh Byerrum, and District Secretary Cindy Fowlkes.

# Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

None

#### **Public Comments**

Edward Vallerand, of Twentynine Palms, spoke to the Audit List regarding the lack of names for volunteer firefighter reimbursements.

### 1. Consent Calendar

- Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on November 19, 2014
- Audit List

Director Shinaver moved to approve the Consent Calendar, seconded by Director Horn and approved unanimously.

# 2. <u>Items Removed From the Consent Calendar for Discussion or Separate Action</u> None

## 3. <u>Department Reports</u>

## 3.1 Finance

Mr. Byerrum reported on the October Financials. The budget is at 32%, slightly under for YTD (year to date). Operating expenses are slightly under budget at 27%. The Fire Explorers are tracked separately from the Fire Department.

# 3.2 Fire Chief's Report

Chief Thompson reported the Department responded to 179 calls for assistance during November. Residents were congratulated for being fire safe, with no structure fire calls reported in the community. There are approximately 20 Kidde smoke alarms still available. Those who are interested should contact the Fire Station. The annual inspection of the ladder truck and pump testing of apparatus took place. Five Explorers attended the Inland Empire Fire Explorer Association Fire Academy. The Copper Mountain College Paid-Call Firefighter Academy graduated 10 students last night at the down town fire station. Students had over 200 hours of training. One graduate has submitted her

application for a paid call firefighter, with two more in the process of application submittal.

4. <u>Future Agenda Items and Staff Tasks/Directors' Comments and Reports</u> Director Shinaver wished everyone a happy holiday.

Director Chambers wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

5. Adjournment

On motion by Director Shinaver, seconded by Director Chambers and approved by the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Kerron E. Moore, President

**Board of Directors** 

Attest:

Ray Kolisz

Tamara Alaniz, Board Secretary
Twentynine Palms Water District