

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Sonoita-Elgin
Fire District
16 November 2009
6 p.m.**

Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call – Izzo, Rutter, Ruppel, and Parker were present for the Board; also present were Goodwin, Venos, Kelley, Daniels and Perez.

Approval of Minutes – Motion to approve the minutes from the meeting of October 20, 2009, was made by Ruppel and seconded by Rutter; motion carried.

Chief's Report –

Katie Goodwin gave the Chief's Report as Chief DeWolf was away on vacation. Information was included on the following topics: Run Report, upcoming events, the room rental policy and the publication of the letter telling the community that there would be no more rummage sales.

Treasurer's Report – The balance sheet was displayed in the power-point, and the financials were included in the packet given to the board members; a copy of which is in the Minutes Book at the front desk. Rutter reported that we have not drawn on the line of credit this year. We received \$48,025.89 on November 12, 2009 for taxes.

Correspondence – none

New Business – (Ruppel asked for a copy of the letter from the Babacomari's lawyer.)

Ruppel - The Partnership has expressed a concern that the land hasn't been used. If we don't use the property they'd like a reversionary clause that if the land wasn't used in a specific time, then the land would revert to the Babacomari. We, as a Board, will need to decide if we want to simply sign their document or propose something different. I will have to recues myself from the action as I work for the ranch. There followed a discussion on the history of the donation, the origin, the intended purpose and how the District would respond to the request.

Izzo – According to the Board Policies, I have a remote interest. As a remote interest I don't believe this would in any way affect my decision.

Izzo made a motion to have Mickey Parker and Vicki Rutter work with the Chief to recommend whether the Lawyer's letter be signed as written or if we should open a dialog (with the Babacomari's Lawyer) on the issue of the land. Motion was seconded by Ruppel; motion carried.

Audience Comments – none

Board Comments – Mickey Parker announced that he had tentatively taken a job at Ft. Hood, Texas, so as of Jan. 1 or Feb. 1, 2010, he would be a resident of Texas.

Adjournment – Motion to adjourn made by Ruppel, seconded by Rutter, Motion carried.