

**DEER SPRINGS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**July 24, 2008
Thursday 3:00 P.M.**

**SPECIAL MEETING
MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER 3:00 P.M.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by President Nicholson

3. ROLL CALL

President Nicholson – Present
Secretary/Treasurer Donnelly – Present
Director Tebbs – Present
Director Van Ingen – Present
Director Frey – Present

Also present: Chief Marugg, Chief Bratton, Fire Marshal Magdaleno, Liz Heaton, Lisa Lozano and Counsel Shawn Hagerty.

New board member Bob Frey was sworn in by President Laurel Nicholson.

4. NEW BUSINESS

a. Proposed \$52 Parcel Tax

Mayor Sanders and Supervisor Roberts proposed a parcel tax and funding plan to improve and enhance firefighting resources & services. With the exception of some properties all properties would be assessed a \$52 parcel tax. Half of the funds would stay in the district and half would go to a county fund. The San Diego County has devised a Joint Powers Authority to manage the funds. A Joint Powers Authority would manage the funds. The board discussed some of the concerns about this plan. Adequate representation in the management of the funds and continued funding of the Fire Enhancement Program are some of the key aspects of the plan that the Deer Springs Fire Protection District Board felt needed to be addressed. President Nicholson will draft and sign a letter to the Board of Supervisors stating the Deer Springs Fire District's concerns. The letter will be emailed to the rest of the board for approval and mailed out to the County of San Diego Board of Supervisors. Director Frey motioned to proceed with this plan. Director Van Ingen seconded the motion.

Motion approved 5-0, 5 AYES; 0 NOES; 0 ABSENT; 0 ABSTAIN.

5. DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Director Tebbs thanked Liz for her efforts in sending out the Santa Ana letters to the politicians and media streams all over Southern California. So far the response has been receptive.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS PERIOD

See attached sign-in sheet.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by President Nicholson, seconded by Director Frey.

Motion approved 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 4:23 pm.

Laurel Nicholson, President