



1 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 21, 2011 BOARD OF**  
2 **DIRECTORS MEETING.** Director Smith made a motion to approve the  
3 minutes of the September 21, 2011 meeting. Director Epstein seconded the  
4 motion. Chairman Plastiras called for question. Ayes 3. Nays 0.  
5 Abstention 2 (Directors Murrieta and Fischer.) Motion passed.

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7 **APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2011.**  
8 Director Epstein made a motion to approve the Accounts Payable Report for  
9 September 2011. Director Smith seconded the motion. Director Murrieta  
10 asked about the payment to the Bank of the West. Business Manager Cary  
11 said it is our payment for 219 E. Enterprise; it is an interest only payment.  
12 Chairman Plastiras called for question. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion passed.

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14 **APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 2011 MONTHLY MANAGEMENT**  
15 **REPORT.** Director Fischer made a motion to approve the September 2011  
16 Monthly Management Report as published in the packet. Director Smith  
17 seconded the motion. Director Murrieta asked about the increase in  
18 overtime hours and is it reimbursable. Chief Szczurek explained that it was  
19 due to off-site fires and yes the District would be reimbursed. Chairman  
20 Plastiras called for question. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion passed.

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22 **LEGAL COUNSEL REPORTS:** Legal Counsel Menchetti said the District has  
23 had some problems getting paid on the Machine Gun Fire in Utah. He thinks  
24 we are there. They denied our payment. The Chief met with somebody who  
25 knew what was going on and we think we have the problem solved. There is  
26 a fixed date in which we can file an appeal if this does not get resolved and  
27 we have this calendared in to protect our rights on the collection.

28 In regards to the Washoe County tax issue, as he indicated to the Board last  
29 month and at the Board's direction he has been working with Counsel from  
30 IVGID and from the Washoe County School District and communicating with  
31 staff Counsel from the State of Nevada. He has sent them a draft of his  
32 proposed letter to Washoe County's Counsel. As of yet, he has not heard  
33 back from IVGID, or the school district's Counsel. Next week, he intends to  
34 proceed with a letter to Washoe County's District Attorney, Mr. David  
35 Creekman, seeking a meeting with them to discuss our issues with regards  
36 to retention of interest and unilateral withholding of funds from us without  
37 proper authority and see if we can come to some type of resolution and if  
38 not Legal Counsel Menchetti said he will come back to the Board to see how  
39 they would proceed from there.

40 Director Murrieta asked about the Machine Gun Fire; he thought it was  
41 resolved. Legal Counsel Menchetti said it was resolved but not paid. We got  
42 asked into the fire by the Utah folks, but the fire was on federal property, no  
43 facilities were destroyed. An official in Washington said they have a rule  
44 that says even if you go fight fires; unless some property destroyed they  
45 don't pay. They denied payment, we appealed it, they denied it again, and  
46 now we have to appeal it a third time. Chief Brown, at some conference,

1 met some new guy from Utah who said that he could get it fixed and that  
2 was the last discussion they had. We have it calendared to protect our  
3 rights but hopefully it will get resolved. We provided a service at their  
4 request; absence some bureaucratic foolishness, he would think we would  
5 get paid sooner or later. Director Murrieta said the state invited us in. Legal  
6 Counsel Menchetti said no, it was requested under a multi-state agreement.  
7 There was no question that the work was done. The question is what pot of  
8 money does it come out of, that is really the question. Chairman Plastiras  
9 said we did get a phone call and they did say a check was in the mail.

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11 **NEW BUSINESS:**

12 **1. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve the Refurbishing of an**  
13 **Existing District Ambulance in the Amount of \$101,023.00.** Battalion  
14 Chief Magenheimer explained this was a scheduled remount. In the past, we  
15 have scheduled our remount of ambulances every five years. This particular  
16 unit has been pushed out beyond that. This particular remount involves  
17 taking a two-wheel drive ambulance and putting it on a four-wheel drive  
18 chassis. We would like to purchase a new chassis through the State of  
19 Nevada's purchasing program using Ford Motor Company. We would have  
20 the chassis shipped to Braun Northwest who is the manufacturer of the  
21 ambulance. Braun Northwest would then take the existing ambulance box  
22 off, refurbish it and mount it onto the new 2012 Ford chassis. This would  
23 give our fleet four, four-wheel drive ambulance and would give us some  
24 flexibility in staffing especially during the winter months.

25 Director Epstein asked if the chassis had any value. Battalion Magenheimer  
26 said we would bring the old chassis back and sell it. Current market value  
27 would be between \$5,000 and \$8,000.

28 Director Smith made a motion to approve the refurbishing of an existing  
29 District ambulance in the amount of \$101,023.00. Director Murrieta  
30 seconded the motion. Chairman Plastiras called for question. Ayes 5. Nays  
31 0. Motion passed.

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33 **OLD BUSINESS:** None.

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35 **Board of Directors Questions/Comments:** Director Murrieta apologized  
36 for his absence at last month's meeting.

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38 **Fire Chief Report:** Chairman Plastiras explained that Chief Brown was out  
39 of town and thus unavailable to attend today's meeting.

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41 **Fuels Division Chief Report:** Chief Szczurek said prescribed burn season  
42 has begun. We burned 11 acres on Friday, 11 acres on Monday and today  
43 they are doing a 10 acre burn in the Second Creek drainage area. NDF is  
44 burning in the Tunnel Creek area as well. Slide Mountain Hand Crew  
45 returned Friday from the Boundary Waters Canoe Wilderness assignment in  
46 Minnesota. It turned out to be a 30 day assignment. One crew will be done

1 at the end of this month and the second crew will be finished around  
2 Thanksgiving and that will be the end of the seasonal program for this year.

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4 **Business Manager Report:** Business Manager Cary said the June 30, 2010  
5 audited financial statement will be presented at next month's meeting.  
6 Kafoury Armstrong tried to have it ready for this month's meeting but  
7 unfortunately, it did not work out. They will be here at the November 16<sup>th</sup>  
8 Board meeting to present their report. Additionally, Chief Brown's annual  
9 review will be due. Business Manager Cary will be sending out the  
10 evaluation forms for completion to the Board of Directors.

11 **Prevention Report:** Assistant Fire Marshal Mulvihill reported that two local  
12 haunted houses have been permitted and are all looking good. There will be  
13 a haunted house at the high school this weekend. The Trail of Treats will be  
14 the following week.

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16 **Public Education/Information Officer Report:** Tia Rancourt was  
17 unavailable to attend today's meeting and will email her report to the Board  
18 of Directors.

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20 **Battalion Chief Report:** Battalion Chief Sommers said personnel are  
21 getting ready for winter and winterizing property and equipment. The  
22 annual Paramedic Refresher and EMT Refresher are coming up.

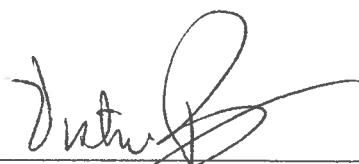
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24 **NRS 241.020 RE: PUBLIC COMMENT.** None.

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26 **Executive Session:** Chairman Plastiras recessed the regular session at  
27 12:19 p.m. and moved into an Executive Session pursuant to NRS 288.220  
28 to discuss matters with its Management Representative. The Board of  
29 Directors and its Management Representatives entered the Executive session  
30 at 12:22 p.m.

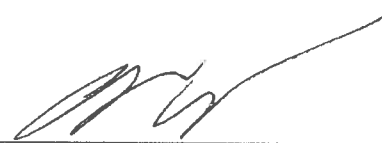
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32 Chairman Plastiras adjourned the Executive Session and reopened the  
33 general session at 12:32 p.m.

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35 **Meeting Adjournment.** Director Murrieta made a motion to adjourn the  
36 Board of Director's meeting. Director Fischer seconded the motion.  
37 Chairman Plastiras called for question. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion passed.  
38 Meeting adjourned at 12:33 p.m.

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Vicki Baumann, Secretary



Chris Plastiras, Chairman

**WRITTEN STATEMENT TO BE INCLUDED IN THE WRITTEN MINUTES OF  
THIS OCTOBER 19, 2011 BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING  
PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION**

There has been much discussion in the press and at IVGID Board Meetings concerning the funding problems caused by Court mandated refunds to local parcel owners. According to press accounts, the NLFPD faces the same if not a much greater problem.

I submit this written statement because it has been reported both in the press and at IVGID Board Meetings that IVGID is discussing possible joint action (with the NLFPD) with respect to this common problem. The preferred solution being advanced by IVGID staff seems to be some sort of special assessment levied against local parcel owners.

I and others believe no legal authority exists for such an assessment given the parcels proposed to be assessed would realize no special benefit from some public improvement proposed to be financed by the assessment (the pre-requisite for such an assessment). So I am here to "nip" discussion of nonsense such as this "in the bud."

Therefore I ask that if this Board considers exercising the power to specially assess local parcel owners to fund its share of the *ad valorem* tax deficiency caused by Court mandated refunds to local parcel owners, that it first secure a written legal opinion that opines this financing vehicle is either proper or improper under NRS 318 or otherwise, and that the opinion be made public.

If this Board votes to specially assess local parcel owners for the financial deficiencies caused by Court mandated refunds to local parcel owners; the assessment is legally challenged; that challenge is upheld by our Courts; those of us who would challenge intend to hold all those responsible for any detriment caused.

So I urge the Board to not go down this road unless it is absolutely certain where it ends.

I thank the Board in advance for its courtesies and hopeful positive action based upon my request.

Aaron Katz (a resident of the NLTFPD and local parcel owner)