

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS, TRUCKEE MEADOWS FIRE  
PROTECTION DISTRICT  
SPECIAL MEETING**

TUESDAY

2:15 P.M.

JULY 25, 2000

PRESENT:

**Ted F. Short, Chairman,**  
**Jim Shaw, Vice Chairman**  
**Joanne Bond, Commissioner**  
**Jim Galloway, Commissioner**  
**Peter Sferrazza, Commissioner**

**Amy Harvey, County Clerk**  
**Katy Singlaub, County Manager**  
**Madelyn Shipman, Legal Counsel**

The Board met in special session in the Commission Chambers of the Washoe County Administration Complex, 1001 E. Ninth Street, Reno, Nevada and conducted the following business:

**AGENDA**

In accordance with the Open Meeting Law, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried, Chairman Short ordered that the agenda for the Special Meeting of July 25, 2000, be approved.

**00-36F      AUTHORIZATION - APPEAL TO NEVADA SUPREME COURT –**  
**EMPLOYEE MANAGEMENT RELATIONS BOARD –**  
**OVERTIME ALLOCATION**

Marty Scheuerman, Chief of Operations, Reno Fire Department, stated that Maureen Sheppard-Griswold, Deputy District Attorney, has provided a staff report and copy of the order on the case that Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District filed in District Court regarding overtime allocation.

Commissioner Bond asked what will happen in the interim and how long would the process take if it is appealed to the Nevada Supreme Court. Madelyn Shipman, Legal Counsel, stated that she cannot give an exact length of time that this case would take if it is appealed to the Supreme Court; that this order only relates to the specific entities at this point; that as long as it is on appeal it is not a final decision; and that the County would take the position that it does not take effect until there is a final decision out of the Nevada Supreme Court, which could take anywhere from one to two years.

Commissioner Sferrazza inquired if the County had received a Notice of Entry of Judgment. Ms. Shipman responded that she cannot say for certain, but is sure they probably have.

Commissioner Sferrazza stated that County Clerk Amy Harvey has informed him that the stamp on this Order may be defective, in that it is signed by an Administrative Assistant and not by a Deputy Clerk, so it has not been properly filed with the District Court. He stated that he brings that to the District Attorney's attention so maybe the argument could be made that this is not a properly entered order and is therefore defective. Ms. Shipman requested that not be part of the motion but she will take note of that and will verify this filing.

Commissioner Sferrazza requested that the District Attorney petition a stay either from the District Court or the Supreme Court on this matter. Ms. Shipman stated that she will take that into consideration as they have discussed the possible issue of the Stay Order, but they do not believe at this time that it is effective as to any other units, but would be if the appeal were not filed and prosecuted.

On motion by Commissioner Shaw, seconded by Commissioner Bond, which motion duly carried, Chairman Short ordered that an appeal to the Nevada Supreme Court of the District Court's decision on employer's right to direct employees to work overtime be authorized.

**00-37F      DISCUSSION AND UPDATE – DISPATCH ISSUES –  
IMPLEMENTATION OF DISPATCH SERVICES –  
EOC/DISPATCH CENTER**

Marty Scheuerman, Chief of Operations, Reno Fire Department, stated that this item was placed on the agenda in anticipation of an agreement being reached with the City of Reno Communications Center. He advised that there has not been an agreement reached; that discussions continue; and he is, therefore, requesting that this matter be continued.

On motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Sferrazza, which motion duly carried, Chairman Short ordered that this matter be continued to a future meeting.

**00-38F      DESIGNATION – CONSOLIDATION CONTRACT  
ADMINISTRATOR – NON-AGREEMENT RELATED FINANCIAL  
MATTERS**

On motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Bond, which motion duly carried, Chairman Short ordered that the Washoe County Manager or her designee, be authorized as contract administrator for the Truckee Meadows Fire

Protection District contract with the City of Reno and as the administrator of non-agreement financial matters of the District.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Marty Scheuerman introduced Lee Leighton, the City of Sparks new Fire Chief. Chief Leighton stated that he is happy with his new job and looks forward to working with the Reno Fire Department and Sierra Fire District on public safety issues.

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There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned.

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**TED F. SHORT, Chairman**  
Truckee Meadows Fire  
Protection District

ATTEST: AMY HARVEY, County Clerk

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