

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

TUESDAY

1:00 P.M.

JULY 16, 2002

PRESENT:

**Joanne Bond, Vice Chairman**

**Jim Galloway, Commissioner**

**Jim Shaw, Commissioner**

**Ted Short, Commissioner**

**Nancy Parent, Chief Deputy Clerk**

**Howard Reynolds, Assistant County Manager**

**John Rhodes, Legal Counsel**

**Roy Slate, Division Chief**

ABSENT:

**Pete Sferrazza, Chairman**

The Board met in regular session in the Commission Chambers of the Washoe County Administration Complex, 1001 East Ninth Street, Reno, Nevada, with Vice Chairman Bond presiding and conducted the following business:

**AGENDA**

In accordance with the Open Meeting Law, on motion by Commissioner Short, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried with Chairman Sferrazza absent, Vice Chairman Bond ordered that the agenda for the July 16, 2002, meeting be approved.

**MINUTES**

On motion by Commissioner Shaw, seconded by Commissioner Short, which motion duly carried with Chairman Sferrazza absent, Vice Chairman Bond ordered that the minutes of the special meeting of May 20, 2002, be approved.

On motion by Commissioner Short, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried with Chairman Sferrazza absent, Vice Chairman Bond ordered that the minutes of the regular meeting of May 21, 2002, be continued. It was noted that Commissioners Bond and Shaw were absent on May 21, 2002, and, therefore, could not vote on a motion concerning the minutes of that meeting. With only Commissioners Galloway and Short able to vote on a motion, there was no quorum for approving the minutes.

**02-43F            REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF REPORT OF OPERATIONS**

On motion by Commissioner Shaw, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried with Chairman Sferrazza absent, Vice Chairman Bond ordered that the Report of Operations for the month of June, 2002 be accepted.

**02-44F            REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF REPORT ON VOLUNTEER/  
AUXILIARY OPERATIONS**

Commissioner Galloway stated he was pleased to note that volunteers are starting to come in because of the brochure. Division Chief Roy Slate stated they have had approximately 30 inquiries, but he does not know how many actual applications have been submitted. He stated the response has been from all around the area, except Wadsworth, where volunteers are most needed.

On motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried with Chairman Sferrazza absent, Vice Chairman Bond ordered that the Report of Volunteer/Auxiliary Operations for the month of June, 2002 be accepted.

**02-45F            RESOLUTION - BOND ISSUANCE - FINANCING A FIRE  
PROTECTION PROJECT**

Commissioner Galloway advised that he could not support this action and stated he would be willing to continue the item to a time when all the Board members are present.

Vice Chairman Bond asked staff to explain what this proposal includes, specifically whether it would accelerate the building of the Cold Springs station.

Mary Walker, Walker and Associates, stated this proposal would allow them to use bond monies for the preliminary architectural and engineering work. She explained staff will be looking at hiring the same architect who did the Sun Valley station because they want a similar, but smaller, station, which would save money in architectural fees. The individual hired would also establish timelines and a complete budget including site work, street work, utilities and other preliminary work.

Commissioner Short stated he is concerned that there is a coverage hole in southern Washoe County and he wants that issue examined in detail before a station is built where it is not needed as badly as one might be in another area.

A discussion then ensued concerning how coverage is provided in the South Virginia/Longley Lane/Windy Hill area, as well as ArrowCreek.

Vice Chairman Bond stated Cold Springs is the fastest growing community in the North Valleys and she does not want that area to end up with

inadequate, insufficient, fire protection. She acknowledged there are other areas that might have coverage problems, but she believes those can be addressed.

Commissioner Shaw agreed that Cold Springs needs to be addressed and moved for adoption of the resolution. The motion died for lack of a second.

Vice Chairman Bond cautioned the Board that this just starts a process and it would take two to three years to build a station and bring it online.

On motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Short, which motion duly carried with Chairman Sferrazza absent, Vice Chairman Bond ordered that consideration of the Resolution be continued.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There was no response to the call for public comments.

### **COMMISSIONERS'/STAFF COMMENTS**

Commissioner Short requested a copy of the report on how staff plans to cover any glaring holes or shortcomings in fire protection services.

Commissioner Galloway requested information that specifically addresses coverage in ArrowCreek and when another crew would be required in ArrowCreek versus when a crew would be fully utilized in Cold Springs.

Commissioner Shaw noted a feeling that this is turning into a territorial issue, and stated that should not happen.

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

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**JOANNE BOND**, Vice Chairman  
Truckee Meadows Fire  
Protection District

**ATTEST:**

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**AMY HARVEY**, Washoe County Clerk  
and Ex Officio Clerk, Truckee Meadows  
Fire Protection District

*Minutes Prepared By  
Sharon Gotchy, Deputy County Clerk*

