

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

TUESDAY

1:00 P.M.

OCTOBER 15, 2002

PRESENT:

Pete Sferrazza, Chairman
Joanne Bond, Vice Chairman
Jim Galloway, Commissioner
Jim Shaw, Commissioner

Marty Scheuerman, Chief of Operations
Amy Harvey, County Clerk
Katy Singlaub, County Manager
Peter Simeoni, Legal Counsel

ABSENT:

Ted F. Short, Commissioner

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

AGENDA

In accordance with the Open Meeting Law, on motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Short absent, Chairman Sferrazza ordered that the agenda for the October 15, 2002 meeting be approved.

MINUTES

On motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Short absent, Chairman Sferrazza ordered that the minutes of the special meeting of July 9, 2002 and the regular meetings of July 16 and August 20, 2002 be approved.

02-56F REPORT OF OPERATIONS - SEPTEMBER, 2002

Following discussion, on motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Short absent, Chairman Sferrazza ordered that the Report of Operations for the month of September 2002 be accepted.

**02-57F REPORT ON VOLUNTEER/AUXILIARY OPERATIONS -
SEPTEMBER, 2002**

In response to Commissioner Galloway's question, Division Chief Roy Slate, advised there were approximately 30 inquiries to the volunteer brochure mailing, with about 20 actual membership applications being submitted. Chief Slate stated 10,000 flyers were distributed, and this was a better response than they have had in the past. Commissioner Bond asked if the response was area wide. Chief Slate reported the response was widespread, but the Wadsworth area continues to be a problem.

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

**02-58F PROCLAMATION DECLARING OCTOBER AS FIRE
PREVENTION MONTH IN WASHOE COUNTY**

Chairman Sferrazza read the following Proclamation into the record and presented it to Chief Scheuerman:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, There are over 2 million fires reported every year; and

WHEREAS, Fire is the third leading cause of death in the home; and

WHEREAS, Over 30 percent of the fires that kill children are started by children; and

WHEREAS, Annually an average of 100 firefighters are killed in the line of duty and over 87,000 are injured; and

WHEREAS, The Reno Fire Department, Community Risk Reduction Division, actively and aggressively involves the community in fire prevention by inspection, education and awareness; and

WHEREAS, The Reno Fire Department, Community Risk Reduction Division, is involved in the code writing and enforcement process, striving for a safer lifestyle for the residents of Reno and the Truckee Meadows and a safer environment for firefighters engaged in firefighting, rescue and medical emergencies; and

WHEREAS, The Reno Fire Department, Community Risk Reduction Division, in the tradition of the fire service as a whole, is a progressive, innovative and powerful force in making the Reno and Truckee Meadows area safer for all inhabitants.

I, the Chair of the Board of Fire Commissioners, for the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District, proclaim the month of October to be Fire Prevention Month in the City of Reno and Washoe County.

**OCTOBER 2002 AS
FIRE PREVENTION MONTH**

In and for the City of Reno and the County of Washoe, and urge all citizens to have and to practice a home escape plan.

COMMISSIONERS'/CHIEF'S COMMENTS

Commissioner Shaw asked about the current status of burning permits. Chief Scheuerman advised that, because the area is still in extreme fire danger status, there would be no open burning this fall, unless the area receives significant moisture.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Commissioner Galloway reported there is a position open on the Board of Adjustment for his District (the west side of Reno) and asked that anyone interested in serving contact him.

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

PETER J. SFERRAZZA, Chairman
Truckee Meadows Fire
Protection District

ATTEST:

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

*Minutes Prepared By
Sharon Gotchy, Deputy County Clerk*