

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

TUESDAY

2:00 P.M.

APRIL 20, 2004

PRESENT:

Jim Shaw, Chairman
Bonnie Weber, Vice Chairman
Jim Galloway, Commissioner
Dave Humke, Commissioner
Pete Sferrazza, Commissioner

Gary Neilson, Division Chief
Amy Harvey, County Clerk
Katy Singlaub, County Manager
Greg Shannon, Assistant District Attorney

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:

04-20F AGENDA

In accordance with the Open Meeting Law, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, Chairman Shaw ordered that the agenda for the April 20, 2004 meeting be approved with the following amendments: **Delete:** Item No. 5, request to initiate purchase process of brush truck fire apparatus for Cold Springs and Lemmon Valley Volunteer Fire Departments; Item 6, request to initiate purchase process to purchase one cab and chassis plus appurtenant fire equipment for Brown Huffaker Auxiliary Fire Company; and Item 8, authorization to expend additional \$1,000 for Station 13 project of installation of aboveground fuel tank/dispensing system.

04-21F MONTHLY OPERATIONS REPORT - MARCH 2004

Following discussion, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, Chairman Shaw ordered that the Operations Report for March 2004 be accepted.

04-22F AUXILIARY/VOLUNTEER REPORT – MARCH 2004

On motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, Chairman Shaw ordered that the Auxiliary/Volunteer Report for March 2004 be accepted.

**04-23F ENGAGEMENT LETTER - KAFOURY ARMSTRONG & CO. –
AUDITING SERVICES**

Commissioner Sferrazza asked if this fee was basically the same as last year. Felicia O’Carroll, Kafoury Armstrong & Co., stated the fee was a little lower than last year.

On motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the engagement letter between the District and Kafoury, Armstrong & Co., concerning the annual audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, be approved and Chairman Shaw be authorized to execute the same.

**04-24F VOLUNTEER FIRE ASSISTANCE GRANT NEVADA DIVISION
OF FORESTRY - PALOMINO VALLEY AUXILIARY FIRE
COMPANY**

Upon recommendation of Roy Slate, Division Chief, through Chuc Lowden, Fire Chief, on motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Sferrazza, which motion duly carried, Chairman Shaw ordered that the Volunteer Fire Assistance Grant from the Nevada Division of Forestry for equipment for the Palomino Valley Auxiliary Fire Company in the amount of \$10,000 be accepted and that the Comptroller be directed to increase the District’s capital budget by \$10,000. It was further ordered that expenditure of the grant plus \$5,822 in required matching funds be authorized for a new patrol truck to be assigned to Palomino Valley.

COMMISSIONERS'/CHIEFS' ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Galloway asked about the status of the new volunteer fire company facilities. Chief Neilson said the Auxiliary/Volunteer Report provided the status of the facility improvements.

Later in the meeting, Commissioner Galloway expressed his displeasure that he had requested specific information on the status of the new facilities for volunteer units and staff referred him to a report. After reading the report, Commissioner Galloway was very dissatisfied that staff has rejected the rebids received on the Silver Lake Volunteer Fire Department facilities without bringing it to the Board. He stated he had previously requested numbers on the overruns so the Board could consider the option of supplementing the project budget. Commissioner Galloway said staff has not followed the Board’s direction. He further stated that, if the Board’s acceptance of the Auxiliary/Volunteer Report in anyway provided Board approval of the rejection of these bids, he would request the item be reconsidered.

On motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, Chairman Shaw ordered that acceptance of the Auxiliary/Volunteer Report, March 2004, (No. 04-22F) be reconsidered. Commissioner

Galloway also requested that the bid information on the Silver Lake Volunteer facilities and alternatives to rejecting the bids be brought back to the Board as soon as possible.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Sam Dehne, local resident, said he felt the Commissioners should be speaking up and objecting to the annexation and rezoning of the land to create higher densities and he was upset the media will not report on the annexations.

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

JAMES M. SHAW, Chairman
Truckee Meadows Fire
Protection District

ATTEST:

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

*Minutes Prepared By
Jan Frazzetta, Deputy County Clerk*