

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

TUESDAY

4:15 P.M.

AUGUST 9, 2005

PRESENT:

Bonnie Weber, Chairman
Bob Larkin, Vice Chairman
Jim Galloway, Commissioner
Pete Sferrazza, Commissioner
David Humke, Commissioner

Nancy Parent, Chief Deputy Clerk
Katy Singlaub, County Manager
Melanie Foster, Legal Counsel
Roy Slate, Division Chief

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 Larkin, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, Chairman Weber ordered that the agenda for the August 9, 2005 meeting be approved.

05-46F MINUTES

On motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Larkin, which motion duly carried, Chairman Weber ordered that the minutes of the special meeting of May 16, 2005 and the regular meeting of June 14, 2005 be approved.

05-47F MONTHLY OPERATIONS REPORT - JUNE 2005

On motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Chairman Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the Operations Report for June 2005 be accepted.

05-48F VOLUNTEER/AUXILIARY REPORT - JULY 2005

On motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Chairman Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the Volunteer/Auxiliary Report for July 2005 be accepted.

05-49F

**PUBLIC HEARING - OLD SUN VALLEY FIRE STATION -
POTENTIAL DISPOSITION OF APN 085-103-11**

4:15 p.m. This was the time set in a Notice of Public Hearing published in the *Reno Gazette-Journal* on August 1 and 2, 2005 to receive and consider public comments on potential disposition of APN 085-103-11, located at 110 W. 4th Avenue, Sun Valley, Nevada, (known as the Old Sun Valley Fire Station) to the Sun Valley General Improvement District and, upon Board approval, execution of the purchase and sale agreement and the deed of trust to transfer the subject property to the Sun Valley General Improvement District.

The Chairman opened the public hearing by calling on anyone wishing to speak for or against the disposition of APN 085-103-11. There being no response, the Chairman closed the public hearing.

On motion by Commissioner Larkin, seconded by Chairman Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the appropriate action on the potential disposition of APN 085-103-11, located at 110 W. 4th Street, Sun Valley, Nevada, (known as the Old Sun Valley Fire Station) to the Sun Valley General Improvement District be approved. It was further ordered that the execution of the purchase and sale agreement and the deed of trust to transfer the subject property to the Sun Valley General Improvement District be approved and Chairman Weber be authorized to execute any and all documents as deemed necessary to accomplish the directive relative to APN 085-103-11.

It was noted that no funding transfer was required.

05-50F

AWARD OF BID - WATER TENDERS - BID NO. 2467-05

This was the time to consider award of the bid for two Water Tender Fire Apparatus for the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District. The Notice to Bidders for receipt of sealed bids was published in the *Reno Gazette-Journal* on **XXX**. Proof was made that due and legal Notice had been given.

Bids were received from the following vendors:

Ross Equipment
Sierra Freighliner
Westates Fire Equipment

Upon recommendation of Curtis Johnson, Battalion Chief, through Marty Scheuerman, Interim Fire Chief, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, Chairman Weber ordered that Bid No. 2467-05 for two Water Tender Fire Apparatus for the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District be awarded to Westates Fire Equipment in the amount of \$523,377.90.

05-51F DEED OF COMBINATION - COLD SPRINGS VOLUNTEER FIRE STATION

Upon recommendation of Roger Van Alyne, Capital Projects Division Director, through Tom Gadd, Public Works Director, on motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the Deed of Combination for the Cold Springs Volunteer Fire Station be approved, and Chairman Weber be authorized to execute the deed upon presentation.

05-52F FUNDING - CITY OF RENO FIRE STATION 12 - COMMUNITY ROOM

Mary Walker, Walker and Associates, reviewed several options for funding the Reno Fire Station 12 Community Room outlined in the agenda memorandum dated July 26, 2005.

In response to Commissioner Humke, Marty Scheuerman, Interim Fire Chief, said the concept of the community room arose from the developer. He said whichever option the Board chose, the City of Reno would continue to honor the agreement. He explained a community room could be utilized for Citizen Advisory Boards (CAB's) and Neighborhood Advisory Boards (NAB's).

Commissioner Sferrazza questioned the cost of the community room, and Chief Scheuerman replied it was \$600,000. He said the City of Reno would like the County to pay for the community room.

Commissioner Galloway questioned the developer's investment into the construction. He disclosed he had met with the developer in the past and the developer indicated he would pay for a portion of the room. Chief Scheuerman replied the developer would fund any amount over the \$600,000. Commissioner Galloway requested clarification on that matter.

Katy Singlaub, County Manager, clarified the developer would be funding the fire station. Commissioner Galloway requested the City of Reno explain the intended use for the residential construction tax they expected to receive from this development. Chief Scheuerman stated he did not have any information on that issue. Commissioner Galloway said before he could consider option four, he would need clarification on the residential tax.

Chairman Weber disclosed she met with the developer. She believed the community center would be a positive asset for the community. Chairman Weber requested the Commission consider option four because it would be an equitable situation.

Commissioner Sferrazza voiced his support for the community room and option five because it involved the Reno Fire Department, the District and Washoe County.

Commissioner Humke disclosed he met with the developer and discussed this item extensively and favored option five.

Ms. Singlaub stated staff was asking for direction on what option the Board wished to pursue.

In response to Commissioner Larkin, Ms. Walker said originally the City of Reno was favoring option three, but after discussions they were willing to consider other options. Chief Scheuerman said the last direction he received from the Reno City Council was requesting either option two or the County to pay the \$600,000. Commissioner Larkin asked if there was an opportunity to explore other options, and Chief Scheuerman concurred.

Commissioner Galloway suggested option two would not be acceptable, and the County should direct staff to discuss other options with the City of Reno.

On motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, Chairman Weber ordered that option two not be supported, but the District and staff continue discussions with the City of Reno and the Reno Fire Department, including but not limited to options four and five. It was noted that the Board did not support the County or the District paying 100 percent of the station.

**05-53F AUTHORIZATION - STATION 14 (OLD VIRGINIA STATION) -
DISTRICT COURT PROCEEDING**

Melanie Foster, Legal Counsel, said during the process of the development surrounding Station 14, access to the fire station was removed and now existed in the form of a temporary access easement granted to the City of Reno. She said that easement would extinguish at the time the County ceased to use Station 14. Ms. Foster requested the District Attorney's Office be authorized to do the necessary legal action to go into quiet title and permanently attain access for that piece of property to avoid the negative impact on the value of the property being landlocked.

On motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, Chairman Weber ordered that the District Attorney's Office be authorized to take necessary legal action, including initiation of a District Court proceeding, to establish access to the property on which the Truckee Meadows Fire Station 14 is located and resolve the legal issues associated therewith.

**COMMISSIONERS'/CHIEF'S/DIVISION CHIEF'S
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Marty Scheuerman, Interim Fire Chief, commented that the new Reno Fire Chief, Paul Wagner, would take command on August 15, 2005.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Gary Schmidt, Washoe County resident, said during the Andrew Lane fire the power was cut-off prematurely, which disabled residents the use of hose and water sprinkling systems. He suggested a letter be sent to Sierra Power to demand that they clear brush from their power poles.

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

BONNIE WEBER, Chairman
Truckee Meadows Fire
Protection District

ATTEST:

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

*Minutes Prepared By
Stacy Gonzales, Deputy County Clerk*