

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS, SIERRA FOREST FIRE
PROTECTION DISTRICT**

TUESDAY

4:00 P.M.

APRIL 12, 2005

PRESENT:

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

Amy Harvey County Clerk
Katy Singlaub, County Manager
Melanie Foster, Legal Counsel
Tim Rochelle, Regional Forester

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:

05-05SF AGENDA

In accordance with the Open Meeting Law, on motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Larkin, which motion duly carried, Chairman Weber ordered that the agenda for the April 12, 2005 meeting be approved.

05-06SF MINUTES

On motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Larkin, which motion duly carried, Chairman Weber ordered that the minutes of the February 8, 2005 meeting be approved.

05-07SF REPORT OF DISTRICT ACTIVITY

Tim Rochelle, Regional Forester, highlighted the Report of District Activity, reviewing the call data for the first three quarters of 2005, the Nevada Division of Forestry (NDF) 2004 Annual Report, and the status of the consolidation of fire services.

Jay Cwiak, NDF Firefighters Association Local 3895 President, agreed there were staffing issues. He encouraged the Commissioners, serving as the Fire Board, to schedule meetings with the City of Reno or the State Forester to settle the issue of consolidation.

Commissioner Humke inquired about the Regional Emergency Medical Services Authority (REMSA) issues.

Jim Gubbels, Vice President of REMSA, stated there were questions about dispatches to cases in the packet materials, and none of the information had been presented to REMSA for review or response. He requested that REMSA and the District work together on these situations to address them immediately.

Commissioner Humke inquired about the call data log and asked if there were any difficulties or complaints that pre-dated March 1, 2005. Chief Rochelle explained the log was started to develop an exact issue for each call. Mr. Gubbels said REMSA was working on a response back to Chief Rochelle concerning the log, and there would be a meeting on April 15, 2005 to go over the responses.

Commissioner Galloway verified the Board desired to hear about problems that occurred, and he recommended the REMSA response be noted in the same detailed chart that was provided by the District.

Mr. Cwiak commented the NDF Firefighters Association Local 3895 brought forward the issues to the Board because the line supervisors had attempted to contact REMSA to discuss the issues, and they were getting no responses. He stated it was not until REMSA received a letter from the County Manager that they responded. He said he was confident a solution would be obtained.

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

BONNIE WEBER, Chairman
Sierra Forest Fire Protection District

ATTEST:

AMY HARVEY, Washoe County Clerk
and Ex Officio Clerk, Sierra Forest
Fire Protection District

*Minutes Prepared by
Lori Rowe, Deputy County Clerk*