

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

TUESDAY

4:30 P.M.

JULY 26, 2005

PRESENT:

Bonnie Weber, Chairman
David Humke, Commissioner
Pete Sferrazza, Commissioner

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

ABSENT:

Bob Larkin, Vice Chairman
Jim Galloway, 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:

05-13SF AGENDA

In accordance with the Open Meeting Law, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried with Commissioners Galloway and Larkin absent, Chairman Weber ordered that the agenda for the July 26, 2005 meeting be approved.

05-14SF RESOLUTION – ALTERATION OF DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

Tim Rochelle, Regional Forester, reviewed the staff report dated July 19, 2005 and the City of Reno Ordinance numbers that were appropriate for the District boundary adjustment. He provided a parcel map and pointed out the 14 parcels. Chief Rochelle noted the fiscal impact, as outlined in the staff report.

Chairman Weber read and commented on the fiscal impact section of the staff report.

Upon recommendation of Chief Rochelle, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried with Commissioners Galloway and Larkin absent, it was ordered that the boundaries of the District be amended to reflect the exclusion of lands per NRS 473.0355 beginning July 1,

2005. It was further ordered that the following resolution be adopted and Chairman Weber be authorized to execute the same:

RESOLUTION

A Resolution Excluding Territory from the Sierra Forest Fire Protection District

WHEREAS, certain properties within the Sierra Forest Fire Protection District (hereinafter "District:") have been annexed into the City of Reno; and

WHEREAS, commencing July 1, 2005, those certain properties are paying city taxes, which taxes include fire protection and suppression services; and

WHEREAS, there is no existing bonded indebtedness of the District chargeable against those certain properties; and

WHEREAS, the State Forester Firewarden has determined that exclusion of those certain properties from the fire district is required.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the District boundaries be altered as of July 26, 2005 by excluding those properties described herein in Exhibit A, placed on file with the Clerk, and incorporated herein by reference.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the exclusion is a result of the hereinabove described properties being annexed into the City of Reno.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk send a copy of this Resolution to the State Forester Firewarden.

COMMISSIONERS'/STAFF'S COMMENTS

Tim Rochelle, Regional Forester, confirmed the District would request an item on the August 9, 2005 Board of County Commissioners agenda concerning a status report on the consolidation of fire service alternatives. He said there was a postponement for approximately one year in any negotiations or talks concerning the contract.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Katherine Snedigar, area resident, commented on the Wildfire Risk Hazard Assessment Mitigation Plan and stated the assessment was fatally flawed in relation to the rural areas.

Gary Schmidt, Washoe County resident, suggested the County Commission investigate the possibility of a research project concerning excess pine needles, and he suggested various uses for the pine needles.

Chairman Weber asked Chief Rochelle to look into the uses of pine needles.

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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*