

**TAHOE DOUGLAS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

December 22, 2010

Regular Meeting

Those Present:

Trustee Steve Seibel	Engineer Chris Peterson
Trustee RJ Clason	Engineer Greg Peterson
Chairperson Roy Clason	Firefighter/Paramedic Ben Pratt
Chief Guy LeFever	Firefighter/ Paramedic Nat Johnson
Assistant Chief Van Ogami	Inspector Eric Guevin
Fire Marshal Mark Novak	Administrative Aid Carrie Nolting
Battalion Chief Ben Sharit	Administrative Assistant Kate Warner
Battalion Chief Dave Hekhuis	Guest Ann Grant
Captain Tim Allison	Guest Bob Cook
Captain Ralph Jones	Guest Kevin Kjer

1. Action Item: Call to order.

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 pm by Chairman Roy Clason.

2. Action Item: Pledge of Allegiance.

Pledge of allegiance was led by Chris Peterson.

3. Action Item: Roll call.

Chairman Roy Clason, Trustee Steve Seibel, Trustee R.J. Clason were present. Trustees Brad Dorton and Frank Forvilly were absent.

4. Action Item: Public comment.

No public comment.

5. Action Item: Discussion and possible action. Approval of consent calendar.

Item:

- a. Approval of agenda.
- b. Approval of Minutes 12/15/10.

Trustee RJ Clason requested a change in the minutes on Page 2, Action Item #7; Paragraph 2. To clarify that the following statement was removed from Resolution 06-2010 prior to its approval on 12/15/10:

Responses involving intoxicated drivers, hazmat clean-up, and negligent acts may be subject to all applicable rates regardless of residency.

The District will not be billing local, Douglas County residents for any services. Trustee Clason moved to approve the consent calendar items as amended. Trustee Seibel seconded the motion. Motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

6. Action Item: *Consent Items moved forward.*

There were none.

7. Closed Session:

There was no need for a Closed Session at this time.

8. Action Item: *Approval of Amendment to contract with Local 2441 International Association of Firefighters for group health insurance changes for 2011. Fire Chief Guy LeFever*

Chief LeFever provided changes to the group health insurance for 2011 as negotiated with Local 2441 this month. With the caveat that we will be heading back into negotiations soon, as we still have some struggles ahead. However, it is the recommendation of the Negotiating Team to move forward this month on a temporary decision. He has been advised by the Insurance Committee that they will turn over every stone to find a plan to contain or reduce our costs. The Amendment presented outlines the significant financial impact of the insurance plan changes and contract language changes that benefit all parties. Captain Allison confirmed that the Union contract changes were ratified by the Union membership on 12/20/10.

A motion was made by Trustee Seibel to amend 2010-11 C.B.A., Division II, Article #2 Group Insurance, approving "Option 1" as submitted by Benefit Resource Group for group health insurance along with the changes in the H.S.A. biannual funding, elimination of the 20% reopener clause, and the activation of the Insurance Advisory Committee. Motion seconded by Trustee Clason. No discussion. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

9. Action Item: *Request for funding related to planning and permitting of new Fuels Management work facility. Fire Marshal Mark Novak*

Chief Novak updated the Board that after a long search of options, we have located a very viable site for a permanent Fuels Management facility to be shared with Douglas County Recreation. He went on to elaborate on each of the sequential phases of the process stressing that the funding request is for the maximum anticipated cost of each phase. If at any time the project is found not to be feasible, the subsequent steps will not be conducted.

The requested funding would come from the Fire Safe Community Fund budget and is not to exceed \$35,000 to proceed with the following:

Survey of Property (not to exceed \$15,000);
Land Capability Verification (not to exceed \$5000);
Land Coverage Verification (not to exceed \$5000); and
Architectural Rendering (not to exceed \$10,000).

A motion was made by Trustee Clason to approve Tahoe Douglas Fire Protection District expenditure not to exceed \$35,000 for survey, design, planning and permitting activities for a Fuels Management Work Facility at Zephyr Cove Park. Motion was seconded by Trustee Seibel. There was no discussion. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

10. Discussion: ***Confirm next meeting, January 26, 2011, @ 4:00 pm, possible agenda items.***

Trustee Seibel made a motion for the January meeting to be on the 26th @ 4pm at Station 3. Trustee Clason second the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

11. Action Item: ***Adjourn.***

A motion was made by Trustee Seibel to adjourn, and seconded by Trustee Clason. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:18 p.m.

This meeting was recorded on audio tape.

Kate Warner
Administrative Assistant
Tahoe Douglas Fire Protection District