

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

**SPECIAL MEETING**

MONDAY

1:30 P.M.

MAY 17, 2004

PRESENT:

**Jim Shaw, Chairman**  
**Bonnie Weber, Vice Chairman**  
**Jim Galloway, Commissioner**  
**Pete Sferrazza, Commissioner**

**Nancy Parent, Chief Deputy Clerk**  
**Katy Singlaub, County Manager**  
**Madelyn Shipman, Legal Counsel**  
**Tim Rochelle, Regional Forester**

ABSENT:

**David Humke, 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:

**AGENDA**

In accordance with the Open Meeting Law, on motion by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Humke absent, Chairman Shaw ordered that the agenda for the May 17, 2004 special meeting be approved.

**04-06SF      APPROVAL OF BUDGET – FISCAL YEAR 2004/05**

**1:30 p.m.**      This was the time set in a Notice of Public Hearing published in the *Reno Gazette-Journal* on May 7, 2004 to consider the tentative and final budget for fiscal year 2004/05 for the Sierra Forest Fire Protection District (SFFPD). Proof was made that due and legal Notice had been given.

Chairman Shaw opened the public hearing calling on anyone wishing to speak regarding the budget for the SFFPD. There being no response the Chairman closed the public hearing.

Tim Rochelle, Regional Forester, explained the budget for the SFFPD for 2004/05, as outlined in the agenda memorandum dated April 16, 2004.

Commissioner Galloway inquired if the budget to be approved included six-month or less seasonal positions for firefighters, and Mr. Rochelle confirmed this to be true.

Commissioner Sferrazza commented that he supports all the budgets being presented, but he would not be able to remain at the meeting.

On motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Humke absent, Chairman Shaw ordered that the SFFPD budget for fiscal year 2004/05 be approved as submitted, noting that it would not be expected that the funds budgeted for seasonal firefighters would be exhausted because the positions are slated for six months or less.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Sam Dehne, Reno resident, encouraged the Board to hire as many part-time firefighters as possible, and he said they should be given benefits as well.

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

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**JAMES M. SHAW**, Chairman  
Sierra Forest Fire  
Protection District

**ATTEST:**

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

*Minutes Prepared By  
Lori Rowe, Deputy County Clerk*