

**EL DORADO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
4040 CARSON ROAD  
CAMINO, CALIFORNIA 95709**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**ROBERT AMARAL  
ED COURTIAL - CHAIR  
THOMAS MAHACH  
JOE ROSE – VICE CHAIR  
CURTISS WEIDMER**

**FIRE CHIEF**

**BRUCE M. LACHER**

**CONFORMED AGENDA**

**February 14, 2007**

**CLOSED SESSION  
6:00P.M.**

**OPEN SESSION  
7:00 P.M.**

**2850 Fairlane Court, Building “C”  
Placerville, CA 95667**

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER – 7:10 P.M.**
- 2. CLOSED SESSION- Employee Negotiations with the Professional Firefighters Association, Management Association and the Non-Safety Employees Association per Government Code Section 54957.6.**
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- Chairman Courtial led the Pledge of Allegiance**

4. APPROVE AGENDA-

**ACTION TAKEN** – Director Mahach motioned to approve. Director Amaral offered a second.

**AYES:** Amaral, Courtial, Mahach, Rose and Weidmer

**ABSENT:** None

**NOES:** None

5. CONSENT CALENDAR – (All items approved on single vote except those pulled for individual comment)

A. MINUTES: January 10, 2007 regular Board meeting.

B. CLAIM PAYMENT – Report of Vouchers November 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006.

**CLAIM BATCHES:**

**DISTRICT:**

\$ 116,951.27 (January 01, 2007)

\$ 61,702.90 (January 15, 2007)

**AMBULANCE/JPA:**

\$ 38,826.75 (January 03, 2007)

\$ 9,397.23 (January 17, 2007)

**DEPOSITS:**

\$ 1,384.55 (January 09, 2007)

\$ 981.45 (January 09, 2007)

\$ 1,878.50 (January 22, 2007)

\$ 2,118.86 (January 23, 2007)

\$ 700.00 (January 23, 2007)

**ACTION TAKEN** - Director Mahach motioned for approval. Director Amaral made the second.

**AYES:** Amaral, Courtial, Mahach, Rose and Weidmer

**ABSENT:** None

**NOES:** None

6. **PUBLIC COMMENT** (any person wishing to address the Board on any item that is not on the Agenda, may do so at this time). Public comments are limited to five minutes per person.

**ACTION TAKEN-** Jeff Chandler, President of Local-3556 Introduced himself as the newly elected President of the Firefighters Union. The Board welcomed President Chandler and congratulated him on the election from his peers.

7. **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION-**

A. **ACTION TAKEN-** No Action Taken, Informational only.

8. **DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS-**

A. **Review Contract proposal from MFDB Architects for Architectural Services for the proposed replacement of Station 28 in Shingle Springs.**

**ACTION TAKEN-** Chief Lacher briefed the Board on the progress that the station 28 committee has made, including looking into alternate sites. Chief Lacher recommended the Board approve the Contract with MFDB Architects. Legal Council has reviewed the draft contract and has been working with MFDB Architects on language changes. District Legal Council William Wright was present and informed the Board on changes in the contract. Director Weidmer made a motion to provide approval to Chief Lacher to execute the contract with MFDB Architects, provided there was a clear understanding that the Fire District is reviewing an alternate site. Director Mahach seconded the motion.

**AYES: Amaral, Courtial, Mahach, Rose and Weidmer**  
**ABSENT: None**  
**NOES: None**

- B. Review Candidate Physical Ability Testing (CPAT) Program and consider implementing for new hire testing.**

**ACTION TAKEN-** Chief Lacher presented the Board with information regarding the CPAT Program. Director Rose inquired if the Union had been involved in the process. Chief Lacher stated that the Union was approached and a member of the Union accompanied staff to the testing site and reviewed the program and was in favor of implementing the CPAT program. Director Rose asked President Chandler his thoughts and President Chandler stated that the membership was okay with the CPAT program. Director Mahach motioned to approve implementing the CPAT program for new hires. Director Amaral offered a second.

**AYES:** Amaral, Courtial, Mahach, Rose and Weidmer

**ABSENT:** None

**NOES:** None

- C. Election of Special District Representative to El Dorado LAFCO – Nominations for Special District Commissioner.**

**ACTION TAKEN-** Chief Lacher informed the Board that there were three vacancies for Special District Representatives on the El Dorado LAFCO Commission and LAFCO was conducting an election to fill said vacancies. The Board discussed the vacant positions and was interested in having a representative serve on the Commission. Director Weidmer made a motion to nominate Director Rose for the LAFCO Commission. Director Mahach provided a second.

**AYES:** Amaral, Courtial, Mahach, Rose and Weidmer

**ABSENT:** None

**NOES:** None

- D. Resolution 2007-01  
Commending Retired Fire Captain Jeff Bunch**

**ACTION TAKEN-** Director Rose made a motion to approve Resolution 2007-01 Commending Captain Bunch for 22 years of dedicated service. Director Mahach offered a second.

**AYES:** Amaral, Courtial, Mahach, Rose and Weidmer

**ABSENT:** None

**NOES:** None

**E. Resolution 2007-02****Commending Retired Fire Captain Lee Chiusano**

**ACTION TAKEN**- Director Rose made a motion to approve Resolution 2007-02 Commending Captain Chiusano for 22 years of dedicated service. Director Mahach offered a second.

**AYES:** Amaral, Courtial, Mahach, Rose and Weidmer

**ABSENT:** None

**NOES:** None

**F. Fire District Development Fee Waiver/Refund Policy-****Discussion on District Policy Regarding Fee Waivers/Refunds**

**ACTION TAKEN**- The Board discussed implementing a District Policy on the procedure for applying for a Development fee waiver and/or a Development fee refund. The Fire District receives several requests throughout the year and the Board would like to streamline the process and implement a Policy for the public and staff. It was suggested that a standard form be created and issued at the County Building Department to instruct the public on the procedure. The Fire District staff would review the request and make a decision based on the policy. The applicant would have the ability to appeal the decision of staff to the Board of Directors. Director Rose made a motion to direct staff to draft a policy for the Board to review. Director Mahach provided a second.

**AYES:** Amaral, Courtial, Mahach, Rose and Weidmer

**ABSENT:** None

**NOES:** None

**G. Development Fee Refund Request-**

**Property owners of APN: 006-011-15 located at 4880 Mountain View Drive in the Coloma-Lotus area are requesting a refund of Development Fees paid on a replacement structure.**

**ACTION TAKEN**- Based on the information provide by the applicant Director Mahach moved to deny the request. Director Weidmer offered a second.

**AYES:** Amaral, Courtial, Mahach, Rose and Weidmer

**ABSENT:** None

**NOES:** None

**9. COMMITTEE REPORTS -**

**A. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE-  
ACTION TAKEN- No Report**

**B. FIRE SAFE COUNCIL -  
ACTION TAKEN – Director Mahach advised the Board of some Grant money available for Green waste projects and for exterior home inspections. Director Mahach also reported on a hydrant identification program offered through EID.**

**10. EL DORADO COUNTY REGIONAL PREHOSPITAL EMERGENCY OPERATIONS AUTHORITY (“JPA”) -**

**A. Report on Joint Powers Authority-  
ACTION TAKEN- Chairman Courtial reported on some issues with the JPA.**

**11. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS-**

**A. Report on litigation and/or State Budget issues-  
ACTION TAKEN – No Report**

**12. CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATION –**

- Memo from Director Joe Rose stating his non-participation in closed session collective bargaining discussions involving El Dorado County Professional Firefighters, Local 3556.
- Thank you letters from Drew Woodall, Assistant Principal of Northside School to Captains Grissom and Parker for their assistance at a recent lock-down drill at the school.
- Thank you letter from Shenandoah High School student to Captain Mitchell and Firefighter Paramedic Dan Hight.
- Thank you letter to the crew of E-28 (Captain Laybourne and Engineer Simmons) for their performance at a structure fire.
- Recognition letters from Dr. Murphy to Firefighters Hunt, Lewandowski, Stirling and Captain DeAquino for their performances.
- Thank you letter to the crew at station 21 from a student with the El Dorado High School Health Careers Academy.
- DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY REPORT-
- JPA ACTIVITY REPORT-

13. CHIEF'S REPORT –ACTION TAKEN – 1) Chief Lacher informed the Board that we were recently notified that the District was successful in obtaining a Grant from Fireman's Fund Insurance for; 1 Thermal Imaging Camera, (bring the Fire Districts total to 5 cameras) and for 10 sets of structural Firefighting turnouts, for a total of approximately \$26,000. Captain Durnall was instrumental in obtaining the Grant.

2) There is a Retirement dinner scheduled for Captains Bunch and Chiusano on February 24<sup>th</sup>.

3) Station 15 suffered water damage from frozen pipes during the recent freeze, damage was limited to the restroom area.

4) The District is moving forward on plans for a Fire District Web-Site. Captain Pott will be leading the project with assistance from Volunteer Firefighter Furguson.

14. BOARD COMMENTS-

Robert Amaral – Informed the Board that March will probably be his last meeting, he and his wife will be moving into another area of the District.

Ed Courtial – No Comment

Tom Mahach- No Comment

Joe Rose- No Comment

Curtiss Weidmer- Welcome President Chandler

15. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS- Director Rose requested staff to provide Resolutions for Battalion Chief Huffman and Captain Durnall for their diligence in obtaining grants for the Fire District.

Next meeting: Regularly scheduled Board Meeting for March 14, 2007 @ 2850 Fairlane Court, Building "C", Placerville, California. Agenda closing time 5:00 P.M., Tuesday March 6, 2007.

16. ADJOURNMENT- 8:34P.M.

ACTION TAKEN- Director Rose motioned for adjournment.  
Director Amaral provided a second.

**AYES:** Amaral, Courtial, Mahach, Rose and Weidmer

**ABSENT:** None

**NOES:** None

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