

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

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**JOE ROSE, CHAIR (Div. 2)  
ED COURTIAL, VICE CHAIR (Div. 5)  
DENNIS EDWARDS (Div. 1)  
THOMAS MAHACH (Div. 4)  
CURTISS WEIDMER (Div. 3)**

**FIRE CHIEF**

**BRUCE M. LACHER**

**2850 Fairlane Court, Building "C"  
Placerville, CA 95667**

**CONFORMED AGENDA**

**March 19, 2009**

**CLOSED SESSION  
2:00 P.M.**

- 1. Meeting with designated representatives of the El Dorado County Fire Protection District regarding employee salaries, salary schedules, and/or other compensation in the form of fringe benefits pursuant to Government Code section 54957.6. The El Dorado County Fire Protection District's designated representatives are Fire Chief Bruce Lacher and attorney William M. Wright.**
- 2. Significant exposure to litigation against the El Dorado County Fire Protection District pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9, subdivision (b).**

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***PRESENT: Rose, Courtial, Edwards, Weidmer. Mahach attended closed session only.***

**OPEN SESSION  
3:00 P.M.**

1. **CALL TO ORDER – 3:08 P.M.**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-**
3. **APPROVE AGENDA-**
  - ACTION TAKEN – Director Courtial made the motion to approve the agenda and Director Edwards seconded the motion.**
  - AYES: Courtial, Edwards, Weidmer, and Rose**
  - NOES: None**
  - ABSENT: Mahach**

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR – (All items approved on single vote except those pulled for individual discussion and action)**

**A. MINUTES: February 19, 2009 regular Board meeting.**

**MINUTES: February 25, 2009 Strategic Planning Workshop.**

**B. CLAIM PAYMENT – Report of Vouchers February 1, 2009 through February 28, 2009.**

**CLAIM BATCHES:**

**DISTRICT:**

**\$ 74,626.54 (February 01, 2009)**  
**\$ 30,521.38 (February 13, 2009)**  
**\$ 57,877.98 (February 11, 2009)**  
**\$ 128,716.21 (February 26, 2009)**

**AMBULANCE/JPA:**

**\$ 10,198.82 (February 15, 2009)**  
**\$ 12,481.92 (February 26, 2009)**

4. CONSENT CALENDAR – continued-

**DEPOSITS:**

\$ 33,159.82 (February 05, 2009)  
\$ 226,528.43 (February 05, 2009)  
\$ 1,045.70 (February 27, 2009)

**ACTION TAKEN-** Director Rose requested for item 4. A. to be pulled from the consent calendar. Director Courtial moved to approve the consent calendar without item 4.A. Director Edwards seconded the motion.

**AYES:** Courtial, Edwards, Weidmer, and Rose

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Mahach

**Item 4.A –** Director Courtial moved to approve of Agenda item 4. A. Director Edwards seconded the motion.

**AYES:** Courtial, Edwards, and Weidmer

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Mahach

**ABSTAIN:** Rose

5. **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-** No public comments.

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

**A.**

**ACTION TAKEN-** Motion made by Director Mahach and seconded by Director Courtial to grant request by the Management Association to begin negotiations for a successor MOU. Motion carried. Date of first meeting and designated District representative(s) to be determined later.

6. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION- continued-

B.

**ACTION TAKEN**- Motion made by Director Edwards and seconded by Director Mahach to hire an attorney to represent the District concerning threatened litigation by Diamond Springs/El Dorado Fire Protection District. Motion passed.

Motion made by Director Weidmer and seconded by Director Rose to authorize Fire Chief Lacher and/or Board Chair to sign Attorney-Client fee agreement with Law Firm of Meyers Nave Riback Silver and Wilson. Motion passed. Director Mahach excused himself from the meeting.

7. DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS-

A. DEVELOPMENT FEE REFUND –

Mike and Kathleen Cook are requesting a development fee waiver on property located at 3876 Paloma Rd., Camino, CA. APN 096-060-23.

**ACTION TAKEN**- AC Johnson advised the Board of Directors that the Cook's are removing a mobile home and building a permanent structure on their parcel. Mr. & Mrs. Cook were not present at the Board of Director's meeting. There is no documentation to show that any parcel fees were ever paid on the parcel. Director Weidmer moved to deny the request for a fee refund unless the property owners could show proof of the original fee payment and that amount be refunded to the owners. Director Courtial seconded the motion.

**AYES:** Courtial, Edwards, Weidmer, and Rose

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Mahach

**7. DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS- continued-****B. 2008 ANNUAL REPORT-  
Presented by Chief Lacher.**

**ACTION TAKEN**- Chief Lacher presented the annual report to the Board of Directors with a power-point presentation. The Directors thanked Chief Lacher for his presentation.

**C. RESOLUTION 2009-2-  
Transfer of funds.**

**ACTION TAKEN**- Fire Chief Lacher reviewed Resolution 2009-2 requesting to transfer up to \$89,000 from Designated Reserves to purchase personnel protective equipment (PPE). The District is in need of 12 sets of turnouts, additional equipment; Federal Government required traffic vests and upgraded fire shelters, required by law. Director Weidmer moved to adopt Resolution 2009-2 approving the transfer of funds from Designated Reserves to the 2008-09 Annual Operating Budget. Director Courtial seconded the motion.

**Courtial-Yes**

**Edwards-Yes**

**Weidmer-Yes**

**Rose-Yes**

**Mahach-Absent**

**Motion Carried.**

**D. APPARATUS MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH THE  
PLACERVILLE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT-**

**ACTION TAKEN**- The District has had an agreement with the Placerville Union School District for the last few years for general maintenance of Fire apparatus. The District finds this agreement to be cost effective and extremely efficient. The new contract remains unchanged from the past three years, including the rate of \$62 per hour. Director Courtial moved to approve the agreement with Placerville Union

**8. DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS- continued-**

**D. School District for the maintenance of the District's Fire Apparatus. Director Edwards seconded the motion.  
 AYES: Courtial, Edwards, Weidmer, and Rose  
 NOES: None  
 ABSENT: Mahach**

**E. REQUEST BY DIRECTOR WEIDMER-  
 "Request by Director Weidmer to consider hiring outside counsel to provide legal opinion on whether Chairman Rose has an actual conflict of interest preventing him from participating in and voting on matters involving the El Dorado County Professional Firefighters Association, Local 3556."  
ACTION TAKEN- Board Chair Rose turned over the meeting to Vice Chair Courtial. After discussion on conflict of interest, Director Weidmer chose to withdraw his request. Vice Chair Courtial then turned the meeting back over to Board Chair Rose.**

**8. COMMITTEE REPORTS -**

**A. BOARD COMMITTEE COMPOSITION/ASSIGNMENTS  
ACTION TAKEN- This item was postponed from the February Board of Directors meeting. Director Weidmer moved to approve the "proposed" committees as follows:**

BUDGET & FINANCE	WEIDMER/EDWARDS
FACILITIES & EQUIPMENT	EDWARDS/COURTIAL
FIRE PREVENTION (Including FSC)	MAHACH/ROSE
JPA COMMITTEE	WEIDMER/COURTIAL

**Director Courtial seconded the motion.  
 AYES: Courtial, Edwards, Weidmer, and Rose  
 NOES: None**

**9. DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS- continued-****A. ABSENT: Mahach**

**Director Weidmer moved to change the title of Salary & Benefits committee to Human Resources. Motion seconded by Director Edwards.**

**AYES: Courtial, Edwards, Weidmer, and Rose**

**NOES: None**

**ABSENT: Mahach**

**Director Weidmer moved to appoint Director Edwards and Director Mahach as committee members and Director Courtial as alternate committee member to the Human Resources committee. Director Courtial seconded the motion.**

**AYES: Courtial, Edwards, Weidmer, and Rose**

**NOES: None**

**ABSENT: Mahach**

**B. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE- (Courtial/Alternate: Weidmer)**

**ACTION TAKEN- AC Johnson reported that the plans for the new Shingle Springs Fire Station have been submitted and applications are in progress. The 90% plan has been received. AC Johnson's meeting with the Architects next Thursday.**

**C. FIRE SAFE COUNCIL - (Mahach)**

**ACTION TAKEN – No report.**

**D. STRATEGIC PLAN-**

**ACTION TAKEN – The Board of Directors set the next meeting for Strategic Planning. It will be Thursday, April 16 @ 9:00 A.M. @ Station #27 in Gold Hill. The Board of Directors regular April meeting will follow at the same location, 6051 Gold Hill Rd.**

9. **EL DORADO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES AUTHORITY (JPA) -**  
**ACTION TAKEN**- Chief Lacher reported the new medic units are arriving. Four were ordered and three are being assigned to County Fire and one to Georgetown Fire.

JPA has four strong candidates for the Executive Director position.

Response time criteria continue to be met.

El Dorado Hills has requested reimbursement for the medic unit they staffed June & July of last year.

JPA has hired an auditor to review the past three years.

10. **LEGISLATIVE MATTERS-**

- A. **Report on litigation and/or State Budget issues-**  
**ACTION TAKEN** – The new budget has a deficit from the last budget.

11. **CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATION –**

- ✚ **Department Activity Report-**
- ✚ **JPA Activity Report –**
- ✚ **Thank you to AC Cima and BC Cordero for providing career information to the students, from Judith Sharp, Career Guidance Specialist, El Dorado High School.**
- ✚ **Memorandum from Board Director Frank M. Clark of the Garden Valley Fire Protection District regarding a consolidation with other Fire Departments in the area.**
- ✚ **Andrew McGill from the El Dorado High School Health Careers Academy sent a thank you to the Captain and crew of Station #17 for the experience of shadowing with them.**
- ✚ **Grace Tillotson, student of the El Dorado High School Health Careers Academy, sent a thank you to the Placerville Station for showing her around.**
- ✚ **Information regarding the Brown Act.**
- ✚ **Current and proposed committee titles and members of the El Dorado County Board of Directors.**

**11. CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATION – continued-**

**ACTION TAKEN-** Discussion on the memorandum from Board Director Frank M. Clark of the Garden Valley Fire Protection District regarding consolidation. The Fire Chiefs Association is in agreement that the augmentation must remain in effect for a consolidation to be feasible. A study in the County is being recommended.

**12. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT –**

**ACTION TAKEN-** Chief Lacher reported to the Board of Directors that the Every 15 Minute program is taking place March 24 and 25 at the El Dorado Union High School, in Placerville. Chief Lacher strongly recommended the Board members to attend the assembly part of the program on Wednesday, March 25, 2009.

The District has received bids for a Type III Fire Engine. Two bids were received and staff is reviewing them.

Chief Lacher advised the Board of Directors of the retirement of Patti Kellogg.

**13. BOARD COMMENTS-**

**Dennis Edwards-** Discussion on Development Fees, unemployment insurance and overtime

**Tom Mahach-** Absent from open session

**Curtiss Weidmer-** No comments

**Ed Courtial –** No comments

**Joe Rose-** Unable to attend the assembly

**14. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS-**

**Next meeting: Regularly scheduled Board Meeting April 16, 2009  
@ 6051 Gold Hill Rd, Station #27, Placerville, California. Agenda  
closing time 4:30 P.M., Tuesday April 07, 2009.**

**15. ADJOURNMENT- 4:40**

**ACTION TAKEN- Director Weidmer moved to adjourn  
the meeting and Director Courtial seconded the  
motion.**

**AYES: Courtial, Edwards, Weidmer, and Rose**

**NOES: None**

**ABSENT: Mahach**