

**SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY FIFTH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
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The six hundred seventy fifth meeting of the Board of Directors of the El Dorado Hills County Water District was held on Wednesday, October 12, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at the regular meeting place of the District, the District Office, 1050 Wilson Blvd., El Dorado Hills, California. Directors Durante, Barber, Hartley, Hidahl and Winn were present with President Durante presiding. Counsel Cook was also in attendance. Chief Roberts, Chief O’Camb and Chief Financial Officer Bair were present. President Durante called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Director Barber moved to approve the consent calendar which included the minutes of the 674<sup>th</sup> meeting held September 15, 2011 and the financial statements for September 2011. The motion was seconded by Director Hartley and unanimously carried.

Neil Hillel, El Dorado Hills Firefighters Association Treasurer, presented an update of Association activities which included the scheduled dates of the upcoming Santa Run to be held December 14 – 18, 2011. He reported that Firefighter/Paramedic Mark Ali is heading up a committee that has already begun to plan for the 50<sup>th</sup> year anniversary celebration of the El Dorado Hills Fire Department in the year 2013. He also reported that the Association’s internal audit for last year went very well. He welcomed all to attend the next Association dinner and meeting to be held on November 22, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.

Richard Ross, El Dorado Hills citizen, addressed the Board stating that he continues to have concern regarding the manner in which budget items are being allocated to

expenses as they are misrepresented from the public's perspective. He also asked for a definition of the term "professional services" as it relates to Fire Department operations.

Chief Roberts received correspondence thanking the crew for participating in a community event, the Serrano Movie Night.

President Durante requested that with Board approval, all closed session items be moved later in the agenda after the Operations Report and the Board concurred.

Counsel Cook discussed the proposed annexation of 200 acres of Sacramento County property within El Dorado Hills Fire District boundaries and stated that he had just received the proposed annexation agreement from the City of Folsom that day and had not had a chance to meet with the committee. He advised that the City of Folsom had requested approval of the draft agreement no later than November 15, 2011. President Durante asked that a tentative Board meeting be held on November 14 in order to accommodate this requested approval date; however, Chief Roberts will check to see if it would be acceptable to the City of Folsom to move this requested approval date back by a few days which would allow for approval at the next scheduled Board Meeting to be held on November 17.

The Admin Committee and the Fire Committee had nothing to report.

The Operations Report was received and filed. Director Hidahl had asked for a matrix that shows how response times are being measured toward the goal of responding in six minutes or less to 90 percent of the calls. Chief O'Camb explained that as it stands with the current Firehouse program, this request would require a time consuming task of manually adjusting the data to account for various scenarios that would skew the accuracy of this report. Chief O'Camb will look into redesigning the Firehouse template in order to capture the data necessary to easily provide this matrix.

Director Hidahl made a motion to approve the request from Lisa Cragun to refund fees paid for a residential building permit in the amount of \$7,131.84 less the one percent county collection fees. The motion was seconded by Director Hartley and unanimously carried.

The meeting adjourned to closed session at 6:41 p.m. to discuss Item V-A, Conference with Legal Counsel, pending Litigation (one matter) Merino et. al. v. El Dorado Hills County Water District, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9; Item V-B, Conference with Legal Counsel, anticipated Litigation (one potential matter), pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9; and Item VI-C, Conference with Chief Transition Committee to develop terms and conditions of employment contract for the new Fire Chief, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 and 54957.6.

The meeting reconvened to open session at 6:56 p.m.

President Durante reported that during closed session, updates were received and no action was taken on items V-A, V-B and V-C.

Director Hidahl reviewed the Chief Transition Committee's recommendation for the terms and conditions of employment for the Fire Chief's contract. He stated that it had the same provisions as the last Chief's contract with two exceptions: 1) The fixed salary is \$15,000 per month for the 27 month contract which is \$180,000 per year (\$5,000 lower than the maximum range that the position was advertised as). 2) The buyout provision clause has been removed which means that the only form of termination is cause. He also stated that the employment contract will be retroactive to July 1, 2011.

Director Hidahl made a motion to approve the terms and conditions of employment for the Fire Chief's contract as prepared and approved by Counsel and agreed to by

Chief Roberts retroactive to July 1, 2011. The motion was seconded by Director Winn and unanimously carried.

Director Winn reported on the Budget Advisory Committee stating that a positive meeting was held to address the public's questions and concerns. The Board will consider providing more detailed subcategories in next year's Budget in order to give the public a more easily understood document.

Counsel Cook reported that the Board had received a letter from the Professional Firefighters Association requesting reimbursement for expended monies for legal fees. President Durante stated that this topic will be agendized for the next Board Meeting.

President Durante asked the December Board Meeting be rescheduled to December 8 from December 15 so as not to conflict with the annual Santa Run and the Board concurred.

Director Hartley stated that a letter is anticipated to be sent from the Latrobe Fire Department to Chief Roberts regarding the consideration of mutually beneficial ideas for contracting of services.

Director Winn expressed her personal appreciation to the responding crews for the phenomenal job they did in responding to a serious car accident on Francisco Drive and Green Valley Road involving a good friend.

Chief Roberts reported on the Request for Proposal for the IT Network Infrastructure stating that out of the four bids that had been received, two were being considered. He hoped to have a recommendation by the IT Committee to be presented at the next Board Meeting.

In order to streamline the Staff's preparation of the monthly Operations Report, Chief Roberts asked the Board to consider receiving this on a quarterly basis. It was decided that a quarterly report would be adequate; however, the Alarm Statistics Report should be broken down by month. President Durante asked that any significant change in response time statistics be brought to the Board's attention on a timely basis.

Chief Roberts invited the Board to attend any of the upcoming Shift Pancake Breakfasts to be held on November 7, 9 and 10. He also gave kudos to the crews for stepping up to support Breast Cancer Awareness month by wearing special pink lettered shirts that have received great response by the public. Chief Roberts gave each Board member a sample of a specially designed "Chief's Coin" that he will be giving to those individuals who he would like to personally recognize for having done outstanding work.

Chief Roberts invited all to attend the dinner scheduled for October 27<sup>th</sup> at Station 85 in honor and memory of Firefighter/Paramedic Ryan Shreve.

Director Winn made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Director Hartley and unanimously carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

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Connie Bair, Board Secretary

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Greg Durante, President