

MEMORANDUM
OFFICE OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF PLACER

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jennifer Montgomery, Supervisor District 5

DATE: March 2, 2010

SUBJECT: COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS – Placer Sierra Fire Safe Council –
Approve the appointment of Geraldine Wales to Seat 6 representing the
Secret Town/Emigrant Gap area, as requested by Supervisor
Montgomery.

ACTION REQUESTED

Approve the appointment of Geraldine Wales to Seat 6 representing the Secret Town/Emigrant Gap area, as requested by Supervisor Montgomery.

BACKGROUND

The purpose of the Placer Sierra Fire Safe Council (PSFSC) is to evaluate the high fire threat for the Placer Sierra Fire Safe Council planning area including the City of Colfax and the unincorporated area surrounding it up to Secret Town and the Placer Hills Fire District, covering the communities of Meadow Vista, Weimar, Applegate, Clipper Gap and Eden Valley. Assuring the necessary firefighting Community Fire Safe Plan, reduce fuel levels, effectively communicate with area residents motivating them to take action to protect their homes and property prior to a wildfire. Restoring and rehabilitating landscapes and communities that are affected by wild land fire. Reducing the amount of hazardous fuels (dry brush and trees that have accumulated and increase the likelihood of unusually large fires) in the US's forests and rangelands. Providing assistance to communities that have been or may be threatened, by wild land fire. The committee is composed of seven members that serve two-year terms. The committee meets the third Thursday of each month at 6:00pm in the Colfax City Council Chambers in Colfax.

FISCAL IMPACT

None



PLACER COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP ON
ADVISORY BOARD OR COMMISSION

THE FOLLOWING IS PUBLIC INFORMATION

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP ON: PLACER SIERRA FIRE SAFE COUNCIL
(NAME OF BOARD, COMMISSION, OR COMMITTEE)

IF THIS BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE CALLS FOR A SPECIFIC TYPE MEMBER, PLEASE INDICATE THE
POSITION FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING: SEAT #6, SECRET TOWN TO FIRE BRANT GAP
NAME: GERALDINE WALES

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT IN WHICH YOU RESIDE: District 5

TIMES YOU ARE AVAILABLE FOR MEETINGS: DAYS: ANY DAY TIMES: EVENING

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE/PROFESSION (A RESUME MAY BE ATTACHED):
SEE RESUME

ORGANIZATION/COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE: Presidents - GLENSIDE LIONS, GLENSIDE, PA
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR, QUEEN OF PEACE CYO, ARDSLEY, PA

EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE: SEE RESUME

APPLICATIONS WILL BE RETAINED FOR TWO YEARS

APPLICATION MUST BE FILED WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
175 FULWEILER AVENUE, ROOM 101, AUBURN, CALIFORNIA 95603

DATE: 2/14/10 SIGNATURE: Geraldine Wales

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GERALDINE WALES

Summary

A customer and company-oriented customer service professional with demonstrated abilities to handle any customer's most difficult problems. Additional problem solving skills that can be used in any customer service locality. Best at troubleshooting the hardest problems and solving them to instantly calm customers.

Experience

VSP, Rancho Cordova, California
2007-2009

CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

Served participants, doctors, and clients with their vision needs. Corrected claims and answered technical questions for doctors. Added, subtracted, and checked on eligibility of participants for clients. Explained plans and corrected claims for participants. Resolved issues between doctors and participants.

Caremark, Mather, California
2005-2007

CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

Acted as a primary, consultative resource to plan participants in need of assistance with their prescription benefit plans. Established a rapport with plan participants to understand their needs while providing appropriate solutions and efficient customer service.

- Promoted to CSR II in October 2005
- Specially chosen to be trained in Medicare D
- Handled three queues and more on the weekend

Maximus, Folsom, California
2004-2005

CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

Assisted plan participants in choosing medical, dental, and vision services for their children as part of the California State Healthy Families program.

- Given a reward for handling the most customer calls during for the month, July 2004
- Chosen to be trained in a special new queue involving pregnant participants

USPS, Gold Run, California
2001-2003

POST MASTER'S RELIEF

Responsible for doing the post masters job when he was absent from location. Handled all mail and customer transactions at the Gold Run facility. Prepared all reports that had to go to main office in Sacramento.

Burger King, Nyack, California
2001-2003 **MANAGER**

Ensured all food was prepared and cooked to proper temperatures. Handled all closing reports, supervised the cleaning and set up for the next business day.

Donner Ski Ranch, Nordan, California
1999-2003 **ASSISTANT KITCHEN MANAGER**

Responsible for supervising employees in absence of Manager and oversaw cashiers and prepared final report daily for all business transactions.

Additional Experience

Bell-Atlantic (Verizon), Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 1968-1999, **SWITCHING EQUIPMENT TECHNICIAN**. Responsible for repairing phone features on customers' lines. Tested repair work with customer to ensure work was done properly and service was restored to customer's satisfaction.

Education

Temple University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
B.S. COMPUTER AND INFORMATION SCIENCES, 1999

Montgomery County Community College, Blue Bell, Pennsylvania
A.A.S., COMPUTER AND INFORMATION SCIENCES, 1984

Lehigh University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
B.A., BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

PLACER SIERRA FIRE SAFE COUNCIL

COMMITTEE INFORMATION

PURPOSE: To evaluate the high fire threat to the PSFSC planning area including the City of Colfax and the unincorporated area surrounding it up to Secret Town, and the Placer Hills Fire District, covering the communities of Meadow Vista, Weimar, Applegate, Clipper Gap, and Eden Valley. Assuring the necessary firefighting resources and personnel are available to respond to wild land fires that threaten lives and property. To develop a Community Fire Safe Plan, reduce fuel levels, effectively communicate with area residents motivating them to take action to protect their homes and property prior to a wildfire. Restoring and rehabilitating landscapes and communities that are affected by wild land fire. Reducing the amount of hazardous fuels (dry brush and trees that have accumulated and increase the likelihood of unusually large fires) in the US's forests and rangelands. Providing assistance to communities that have been or may be threatened, by wild land fire. Committing to the Wild land Fire Leadership Council, an interagency team created to set and maintain high standards for wild land fire management on public lands.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST: No

COMPOSITION: Seven (7) core members. Members must reside in or own a business within the PSFSC planning area. Six (6) members to be appointed by the Board of Supervisors: one (1) appointment from the greater Colfax area outside the City of Colfax from the northern boundaries of Placer Hills Fire Protection District to Secret Town/ Alpine Meadows Subdivision, one (1) appointment from the Meadow Vista community (as defined by the Meadow Vista Municipal Advisory Council), two (2) appointments from the Placer Hills Fire Protection District area outside the community of Meadow Vista (Weimar, Applegate, Clipper Gap, or Eden Valley) , two (2) appointments from the area above Secret Town to Emigrant Gap, including the communities of Alta and Dutch Flat. One (1) member to be appointed by the City of Colfax. Three (3) will be appointed for a two (2) year term (ending January 31, 2008), three (3) will be appointed for a three (3) year term (ending January 31, 2009). Future appointments will be for two (2) years.

MEETINGS: Meetings will be held the 3rd Thursday of each month at 6:00pm in the Colfax City Council Chambers in Colfax.

COMPENSATION: Members to serve without compensation.

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CURRENT MEMBERS

SEAT # 1
Otis Wollan
REPRESENTS: Greater Colfax Area
TERM LENGTH: 2-year
APPOINTED BY: BOS
EXPIRES: 1/31/2012

SEAT # 2
Tyrone Gorre
REPRESENTS: Meadow Vista
TERM LENGTH: 2-year
APPOINTED BY: BOS
EXPIRES: 1/31/2011

SEAT # 3
Manny Gonzales
REPRESENTS: Placer Hills Fire District
TERM LENGTH: 2-years
APPOINTED BY: BOS
EXPIRES: 1/31/2012

SEAT # 4
Karina Silvas
REPRESENTS: Placer Hills Fire Protection Dist.
TERM LENGTH: 2-year
APPOINTED BY: BOS
EXPIRES: 1/31/2011

SEAT # 5
Karen Calvert
REPRESENTS: Sec Tn/Emigrant Gap
TERM LENGTH: 2-years
APPOINTED BY: BOS
EXPIRES: 1/31/2012

SEAT # 6
Vacant Seat
REPRESENTS: Secret Tn/Emigrant Gap
TERM LENGTH: 2 year
APPOINTED BY: BOS
EXPIRES: 1/31/2011

SEAT # 7
Suzanne Roberts
REPRESENTS: City of Colfax
TERM LENGTH:
APPOINTED BY: City of Colfax

