

MEMORANDUM
OFFICE OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF PLACER

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jennifer Montgomery, Supervisor District 5

DATE: January 25, 2011

SUBJECT: COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS – Placer Sierra Fire Safe Council –
Approve the reappointments of Tyrone Gorre to Seat 2 and Karina Silvas
to Seat 4 and the appointment of William David Hart II to Seat 6 as
requested by Supervisor Montgomery.

ACTION REQUESTED

Approve the reappointments of Tyrone Gorre to Seat 2 and Karina Silvas to Seat 4 and the appointment of William David Hart II to Seat 6 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

NAME: WILLIAM DAVID HARTL

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT IN WHICH YOU RESIDE: #5

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

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

ORGANIZATION/COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE: see attached

EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE: see attached

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: Jan 12, 2011 SIGNATURE: [Handwritten Signature]

William D. Hart II
Re: PSFSC Seat #6
December 12, 2010

These pages are submitted with and intended to provide statements relevant to the Placer County, Board of Supervisors, Application for Membership on Advisory Board or Commission in relation to my desire to fill the current vacancy of seat #6 on the Placer Sierra Fire Safe Council (PSFSC). I believe my training and experience, education and career, community backing and track-record of community service, coupled with my availability to commit uniquely qualify me to serve my community in this capacity.

As a Director of the Alta Fire Protection District (AFPD) and resident of a high fire-risk area, I have a great interest in seeing PSFSC achieve its goals. As a director, I am in a position to bring the goals and activities of PSFSC before the constituent members of my district - soliciting their cooperation, as well as to ensure Fire Safe awareness and education is a priority for the only two local fire departments in Placer County between the cities of Colfax and Truckee. This outreach ability can only become more of an asset to the County as the new State fiscal direction removes more and more of our woodlands and urban/wildland interfaces from State Responsibility Areas (SRAs) and, therefore, CalFire's responsibility and pushes them down to the local agencies.

As a member of the Fredonia Volunteer Fire Department (FVFD), I graduated from the basic firefighter classroom and practical training academy required by the State of Pennsylvania to "suit up" and respond to calls for emergency services. I also received additional formal training and state certification as an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) with special training and additional certifications in high-angle and fast-water rescues and recoveries. Additionally, I have been trained as an instructor and have conducted numerous classes in CPR certification for the American Heart Association.

Fredonia is located between two major state highways in a rural area surrounded by large tracts of public lands and popular with vacationers and tourists for its trout streams, hunting, camping and winter-sports. Our calls for service were primarily in response to wildland and structure fires, medical emergencies, motor-vehicle accidents, farming accidents and to a lesser extent, search and rescue. This is very similar to the calls the firefighter's of our area do and can be expected to continue to receive and illustrates a commonality with the fire safe needs facing our portion of the County. This training and experience makes me well-suited to understand the threats facing our community, therefore, allowing me to better work within the Council's budgetary constraints to ensure its use of limited funds will be done in a manner most likely to ensure the greatest benefit to the members of this community.

After being honorably discharged from military service, a degree in Business Administration provided an excellent springboard to launch a successful career of planning and leading management consulting and analysis projects for federal, state and local governments, including Placer County.

My graduate studies in Systems theory has taught me the skills to view and consider the effects of actions and decisions beyond the immediate scope, allowing me to avoid many of the pitfalls associated with sub-optimization of effort and resources.

Though now retired for a number of years, my military service and career with various government contracting organizations has allowed me to develop the skills and experience necessary to work effectively with the public sector in advisory, peer-to-peer, and support capacities. As a manager, I have gained extensive experience preparing budgets, profit and expense reports, standards and procedures, as well as, responding to governmental reporting requirements.

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Volunteerism is a piece of Americana we cannot afford to lose or abuse. From Benjamin Franklin's first horse-drawn company to our own PSFSC, men and women give of their precious time, with no expectation of reward, to improve their community as they are called. Without them many parts of this country, such as that served by my District, would have little or no emergency management preparations or services. Service to one's community is a responsibility of every citizen. It is especially important in rural communities such as ours, where formal government services are often limited or non-existent. My zeal for civic duty is well known in our community, particularly my interest in local emergency response and preparedness. I make it a point to keep contact with a number of our elderly and infirmed to ensure their basic needs are met and they have some social contact. I provide funds and food in support of a local program to provide free weekly lunches to members of our community. I have cultivated relationships across our various social- and demographic lines allowing me to reach out to a board spectrum of our community, to gain their trust and be able to discuss issues openly and honestly, to understand their needs, dissatisfactions, and expectations. I work with our assorted community organizations planning and executing fund-raising events, and providing goods and services to be auctioned and raffled at these events. I have provided no-cost defensible-space clearing to those in my community who cannot afford to pay for it. As by-products, I have been able to employ some of our youth and provide free firewood to some of our families and seniors who have been very hard hit by the economic problems we face. I am a member of the Dutch Flat Community Center Volunteer Committee, involved in the planning and execution of our Fourth of July Parade, the annual White Elephant Sale, and our monthly community potluck dinners. Over the last several months I have begun attending monthly coffees with Jennifer Montgomery, our County supervisor, with the goal of - informally - providing input from and reporting information back to my neighbors who do not have the luxury of attending themselves.

In summary, the current vacancy on the Council allows me the opportunity to put my skills, experience, and commitment to civic duty to further use to my community. My training and service as a volunteer firefighter, EMT, and CPR instructor give me the ability to relate to the threats facing our community and have some insight to the effort required to mitigate those threats. My experience interacting with government organizations, on all levels, and conforming to government reporting requirements makes me an asset in communications and negotiations required to help the Council achieve it's goals. Decades of management experience provides me the public speaking, consensus-building, reporting, and financial skills necessary to ensure proper operation of the "business" of the Council. My commitment to civic duty has been repeatedly demonstrated in action, not just words. My personal situation allows me to continue to expand upon this commitment. Most importantly, to me at least, I have been urged by many of our citizens, young and old, poor and not so poor, to help implement actions, such as the stated goals of the Council, which would make our community a better safer place in which to live. While I know I will be an asset to my community by serving on this council, my commitment is further strengthened knowing they know.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to working with you in the near future,



William D. Hart II

PLACER SIERRA FIRE SAFE COUNCIL

PUBLIC COMMITTEE

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

Terrence 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

Don Adams
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: Secret Town/Emigrant Gap
TERM LENGTH: 2-years
APPOINTED BY: BOS
EXPIRES: 1/31/2012

SEAT # 6

Vacant Seat
REPRESENTS: Secret own/Emigrant Gap
TERM LENGTH: 2 year
APPOINTED BY: BOS
EXPIRES: 1/31/2011

SEAT # 7

Ken Delfino
REPRESENTS: City of Colfax
TERM LENGTH: Until Replaced
APPOINTED BY: City of Colfax
EXPIRES:

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