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Kelly remaining on the board. Hildebrandt called for an executive session to be held later to discuss personnel matters, and that motion was approved. The amended agenda and minutes of the previous meeting were then accepted.

Pocock asked the board if they wanted to go ahead with the election of board officers. There was a suggestion that the election be postponed until the investigation was resolved. Hildebrandt said that the board should go ahead with the election since new directors had just been sworn in. He said that he wanted to see who would be leading the board during "these difficult times ahead." He added that the election of board officers was on the approved agenda. Despite the approved agenda, Pocock asked if the board still wanted to have the election of officers. Pocock said to go ahead with the elections, then changed his mind and asked for a motion. The board voted 4-3 to delay the election of officers.

Update to April's meeting report

Since *OCN* published its article on the April 25 meeting (May 5 issue, page 21 or at http://www.ocn.me/v12n5.htm#tlmfpd), it has been learned that after an executive session, the board considered two matters of great interest to the public that were not on the agenda: forming a "fire authority" with the Donald Wescott Fire Protection



Above: Former Monument Mayor Sy Sibell called the investigation into certain allegations regarding the district leadership "a witch hunt." *Photo by Bernard Minetti.*

District, and deciding to put a mill levy increase of three mills on the November ballot.

For the fire authority discussions, Roger Lance was designated as the Tri-Lakes board's representative, and Chief Robert Denboske and a firefighter would also be participants in these discussions.

At the March 28 meeting, Pocock had suggested reasons for wanting a mill levy increase when he said: "All I want the board to do is think about this for the time being. We got several things on our plate ... for example, the Supreme Court decision on the healthcare is going to be a big decision-maker for us, because right now we pay for 100 percent of our employee medical ... and I don't expect that to change ... unless we decide that the costs are going to go through the roof."

Director Hildebrandt talked at that same meeting about the fact that many municipalities were going bankrupt. "For us to be paying 100 percent of everything is

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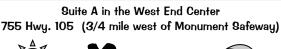


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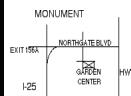
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