STPUD board member arrested

By Kathryn Reed

South Tahoe Public Utility District board member Dale Rise was arrested Tuesday morning on charges of obstructing a police officer.

"He wasn't very cooperative," South Lake Tahoe police Lt. Marty Hale said. "He tried to shut the door in the officers' face. He was pretty belligerent and uncooperative."

Three officers responded to the Rise home about 7:25am Tuesday because of a verbal altercation between the couple, Hale said.

"They were called by a third party who was hysterical," Rise said the next day. "It's a personal matter. I was defending someone's rights and I got in trouble. I am sure the police report will not be accurate because of what did occur."

The police report did not say who the reporting party was.

Rise said he believes officers "overstepped their bounds" and that he will fight the misdemeanor charge in court.

Hale said officers had to use a Taser on Rise.

Rise posted bail later that day.