Fallen Leaf Lake without a concessionaire

By Kathryn Reed

After what seemed to be an endless quest to figure out what to do about a concessionaire for the marina and store at Fallen Leaf Lake, the Community Services District is back at square one.

"Right now we are negotiating the separation agreement," Sandy Wirth told *Lake Tahoe News*. She and her husband, Rob, took over the operation last May. "It just didn't work out. It was more than we bargained for."



Fallen Leaf Lake needs someone to run the marina. Photo/Kathryn Reed

Tom Bacchetti, president of the Fallen Leaf Lake CSD board, said he hoped to have everything with the Wirths resolved by the Feb. 12 meeting in South Lake Tahoe.

"They did have a multi-year contract that allows them to withdraw after year one," Bacchetti explained.

The district has sent out a request for interest. The RFI

states the district is looking for people who have run a similar operation. Gary Gerren, who was brought on last year as chief of the volunteer fire department, is the point person for collecting proposals. He was made interim general manager when former interim General Manager Tom Barnes was let go.

Barnes is pursuing a wrongful termination lawsuit against the Fallen Leaf Lake CSD.

Gerren is not making any more money with the extra responsibilities.