

# West Slope fire chief accused of domestic violence

An El Dorado County fire chief is back behind bars – this time on domestic violence charges.



William Dekker

Garden Valley Fire Chief William Dekker was arrested early Jan. 13. Bail was set at \$7,500.

Dekker, 60, was **arrested in December** on driving under the influence charges. On Dec. 22 the district announced that Dekker had resigned and the board appointed Linda Szczepanik as interim chief.

The problem is Dekker never turned in any paperwork to officially resign so he has been getting paid to not work.

Financial details of the resignation have not been released.

*– Lake Tahoe News staff report*