

**Round Hill General Improvement District  
Board of Trustees Public Hearing Minutes  
May 16, 2017**

**Tuesday**

**4:00 pm**

**1. Meeting Called to Order**

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Steve Seibel.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Steve Seibel.

**3. Roll Call**

Chairman Steve Seibel, Trustees Chuck Fagen and Darin Smith were present. District Manager Greg Reed and District Counselor Justin Townsend were present. Vice Chairman Wes Rice and Secretary Keith Fertala were absent.

**4. Public Comment**

None.

**5. Approval of Agenda**

Motion to approve the agenda as presented. Fagen/Smith 3-0 approved.

**6. Discussion and possible action to accept the draft 2016 Water Quality Report and 2017 Newsletter.**

Staff presented articles and the Water Quality report prepared and ready to go for printing. There were no further suggestions from the Board. Motion was made to approve the draft 2016 Water Quality Report and 2017 Newsletter. Fagen/Smith 3-0 approved.

**7. Discussion and possible action to approve the 2017 / 2018 Final Budget.**

Manager Reed stated that the only change to the Budget from the April meeting was line item #7065. We had a sewer pump failure and therefore, had to purchase a replacement. He added this to the current budget as he would like to have a spare on hand.

Motion was made to approve the 2017 / 2018 Final Budget as amended. Fagen/Smith 3-0 approved.

**8. Discussion and possible action on dates to hold the 3rd annual B-B-Q Luncheon for Round Hill residents.**

Manager Reed presented four dates that did not interfere with staff schedules. After discussion, the board chose July 21, 2017 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to hold the 3rd annual B-B-Q Luncheon for Round Hill residents. This information will be included in the Districts 2017 Newsletter and in the May & June billing invoices. Fagen/Smith 3-0 approved.

**9. Discussion and possible action to initiate foreclosure proceedings.**

Manager Reed reported that RHGID initiated a lien against a resident for non-payment of water and sewer charges in April 2013. The account is currently \$7,062.50 past due. This amount includes \$1,885.72 in water and sewer charges and \$5,176.78 for the water meter and installation.

On July 28, 2015, RHGID received a judgment against the property owner. In September 2016, RHGID filed an amended lien to include the water meter and installation costs as well. This is the only account in the District that is significantly past due; and our only account with a lien against the property.

Manager Reed explained the process the District would have to initiate in order to proceed to foreclosure. Initiation of the foreclosure process is time consuming and antagonistic. Initiation of the foreclosure process might be an incentive for the home owner to pay the past due amount.

After discussion, Manager Reed stated that the District could again file a small claims case in the hopes that it would prompt the homeowner to pay the invoices in full.

Because this account has been problematic for many years, Trustee Darin Smith felt it was time to initiate foreclosure proceedings however, neither Chairman Seibel or Trustee Fagen were ready to have District staff proceed with foreclosure proceedings because there were only three board members in attendance.

Chairman Seibel requested that the issue be tabled until the June board meeting.

#### **10. Consent Calendar**

Motion was made to approve the consent calendar as presented. Fagen/Smith 3-0 approved.

#### **11. Staff Reports**

Manager Reed reported that the Tahoe Keys Homeowners' Association has submitted an application to the Lahontan Water Quality Board for an exemption to the herbicide prohibition. The Tahoe Water Suppliers Association and RHGID are preparing responses to the application submission and will provide both written and oral testimony when the process is open for public comment.

District staff attended the monthly meeting with TKPOA to discuss their herbicide application and their non-chemical method processes. TKPOA's request to their homeowners to approve a one-time \$1,600 special assessment to fund future herbicide and non-chemical methods of addressing the invasive species within the Tahoe Keys, passed by a 2 to 1 margin. TKPOA will now have the funding available to continue their process of requesting permission to use herbicides in the Keys.

District staff is in the process of negotiating terms for engineering services for the design and construction oversight of the Castle Rock project with Farr West Engineering. Once the negotiations are complete, this item will come before the Board for consideration.

District staff attended the Legislative rural caucus to inform the leaders of the rural caucus that we are interested in SB 462 and SB 471. SB 462 would allow Counties to create a committee to look at and potentially dissolve GIDs within the County. RHGID is not in favor of this legislation and testified in front of the Senate Government Affairs Committee to that fact. SB 471 would dissolve DCSID and create a new sewer Authority. The Authority's Board would be made up of one County Commissioner, one RHGID Trustee, one KGID Trustee, one TDD Trustee and one person appointed by the rest of the Board from the Casino Corridor. RHGID spoke in favor of SB 471. Also attached to SB 471 was a provision to protect the GIDs by changing wording in NRS 318.

Both SB 462 and SB 471 passed from Committee on April 14, 2017 do pass as amended. Both of these bills were discussed at a public hearing by the Assembly Committee on Government Affairs on May 8, 2017. All GIDs at the Lake are now in favor of SB 471. These bills must come out of Committee by May 19<sup>th</sup>.

District staff continues to work with NDEP to update the Water Operator Certification Rules. District staff attended a meeting with Douglas County to discuss the creation of a storm water utility. A storm water utility is the County's mechanism to raise additional funds to assist them in managing their storm water. Several GIDs within the County continue to debate the pros and cons of the creation of another layer of bureaucracy.

District staff met with Round Hill resident Bob Loding to discuss snow melt run off onto his property. District staff had re-routed storm water from the top of Elks Point Road that was washing over the roadway into the drainage culvert at the top of Elks Point. This diversion eventually ended up crossing Mr. Loding's property. Upon inspection, it was determined that the water could be further diverted and would not cross Mr. Loding's property. Farr West Engineering investigated the water flow and will prepare a letter report suggesting long term remedies.

The bi-monthly meeting of the area Managers took place on May 9<sup>th</sup>. The following items were discussed: Employees' salaries, SB 462 and SB 471, storm water management, Rights of way and permitting by the County, appointment of the new County Comptroller, and the County Manager's search process.

District staff continues to wait for a response from the USFS on the renewal of the special use permit at the water treatment facility.

No Attorney's or Association Reports.


**12. Adjournment**

Move to adjourn. Fagen/Smith 3-0 approved.

Attest:



Steve Seibel  
Chairman



Keith Fertala  
Secretary