## Round Hill General Improvement District Board of Trustees Meeting March 18, 2014

Tuesday 6:00pm

#### 1. Meeting Called to Order. (Side A/c#1)

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Glen Smith.

#### 2. Pledge of Allegiance. (Side A/c#2)

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Glen Smith.

#### 3. Roll Call. (Side A/c#6)

Chairman Glen Smith, Vice Chairman Steve Teshara, Trustees Wes Rice, Chuck Fagen and Steve Seibel were present. The District Manager, District Counsel and Administrative Assistant were present.

#### 4. Public Comment. (Side A/c#9)

None

#### 5. Approval of Agenda. (Side A/c#22)

Motion to approve the agenda as presented. Teshara/Rice 5-0 approved.

#### 6. Discussion and possible action to approve the 2014 / 2015 tentative budget. (Side A/c#29)

After discussions a motion to approve the tentative budget as presented. Rice/Fagen 5-0 approved

# 7. Discussion and possible action to approve the Street Light Replacement Policy #1-2014. (Side A/c#110)

Manager Reed reported that RHGID is responsible for maintaining the street lights within the District in working order for the safety of the residents in the neighborhood. As of March 1, 2014, RHGID pays NV Energy approximately \$450 per month for the power and bulb replacement and repair costs. In the event that an existing bulb becomes non-operational, NV Energy is responsible for replacing / repairing the bulb.

RHGID staff had received requests to have bulbs replaced with lower wattage fixtures. At the same time, RHGID thought it prudent to change bulbs to dark sky compliant fixtures at the same time we were changing bulb wattage. Initially, NV Energy changed one bulb on McFaul Ct. at the request of the District. Subsequently, a request to change four bulbs on Cheyenne Way and Cheyenne Circle became a "project" for NV Energy, complete with engineering and design costs as well as installation costs. Changing four bulbs became a \$3,069 project. Based on the increased costs and process complexity required by NV Energy, the Board requested that the District develop a policy for street light change out requests. See the attached requested policy.

After discussions, a motion to accept the Street Light Replacement Policy #1-2014 with modifications omitting the change to dark sky compliant fixtures and allowing for the changing of the bulbs only. See the attached approved policy. Seibel/Rice 5-0 approved.

8. Discussion and possible action to approve the updated Conservation Plan. (Side A/c#227) Motion to approve the updated Conservation Plan. Teshara/Seibel 5-0 approved.

### 9. Consent Calendar. (Side A/c#260)

Patti reported that the change in banking and lockbox services using their CEO Program with Wells Fargo Bank has been completed and is completely operational. Motion to approve the consent calendar as presented. Seibel/Fagen 5-0 approved.

## 10. Staff Reports. (Side A/c#275)

RHGID received the preliminary permit from TRPA for Pinewild. The permit expires February 21, 2017. The easements and quit claim deed have been recorded. Pinewild now has three years to make the modifications to the roof of the building. Midkiff and Associates is now creating a list of items to complete to finalize the permit. Work required includes the creation of BMP maps for submission to the TRPA and finalization of the construction drawings for the roof adjustments. Farr West Engineering is preparing a proposal to create the BMP maps and Midkiff will pursue the construction drawings with Resource Concepts.

RHGID has also received the coverage transfer permit from TRPA that will allow the District to keep the old lift station in place and transfer it to Pinewild for their use. RHGID has an agreement with Sierra Sunset Properties to purchase the transfer coverage. Once the transfer is complete, Pinewild can modify the existing lift station as approved in the TRPA permit. Midkiff is pursuing the transfer with Sierra Sunset.

The water rights permit allocation modifications presented to the Board by R.O. Anderson have been filed with the State water engineer. These modifications were made to change the place of use of permits from designated lots in the District to a District wide apportionment. The permit applications have been advertised for comment as required. After the required comment period, the state water engineer will issue new water rights permits. RHGID will then be able to show beneficial use on those portions of the permits and have those permits proved.

The Lake Tahoe Fire Protection Partnership will receive \$650,000 for fiscal year 2014 / 2015 from the U.S. Forest Service through the South Tahoe PUD. RHGID's share of this 50 / 50 matching grant is \$8,974. District staff intends to use this money to offset the cost of construction of the upper water storage tank.

District staff attended the annual Nevada Rural Water Association's conference in Reno. Multiple training opportunities were available for water operators for their required continuing education credits.

Manager Reed attended a conference call with the Nevada League of Cities to discuss upcoming changes to health insurance. The League is attempting to secure insurance for its members going forward. Where there are now four plans available to the League to choose from, in the future, each member agency will have four similarly structured plans developed for their individual circumstances. It is likely that premiums will increase, perhaps significantly. District staff will continue to monitor these insurance discussions.

District staff met with representatives of Rain for Rent, a company that rents water storage systems. In the event that we need to take the contact chamber offline to effect repairs, we can use Rain for Rent to install temporary storage and pumping facilities.

Manager Reed attended an aquatic weeds working group meeting. Even though the EPA has not approved the Lahontan Water Quality Board's basin plan amendment, the aquatic weeds working group is still considering moving forward with studying the possibility of the use of herbicides in Lake Tahoe. RHGID staff and the TWSA are opposed to the use of herbicides directly in the Lake, and we continue to articulate that opposition at every opportunity.

Manager Reed attended the quarterly TWSA Board meeting. Topics on the agenda included the aquatic weeds working group, the 2014 / 2015 budget, the ArkStorm table top exercise, a progress presentation on the update to the risk assessment model, and a discussion on EMPs.

District staff met with representatives from DCSID to discuss our preparations for an EMP event. DCSID is conducting research for their Board to consider an EMP response strategy.

District staff received calls from a residents at 269 and 271 Cheyenne regarding snow plowing. District staff does a conscientious and admirable job at clearing the streets during and after a snow storm event. The priority objective is for the operators to get the snow off the streets. Therefore, there is only one place the snow can go, and that is to the side of the road. The District will utilize the front end loader with the side gate when appropriate. However, there has not been enough snow during the 2013 / 2014 snow season to warrant the use of that piece of equipment. Angling the plow blade toward the middle of the street is not appropriate.

No attorneys report.

Chairman Glen Smith reported that the Tahoe Douglas Fire District had received another \$50,000 in 50 / 50 matching grant funding for the defensible space rebate program. In addition, pine needle pick—up will be scheduled after Memorial Day; curbside chipping will continue this summer; and clean pine needles, cones and slash may be received at Boulder from Memorial Day through July 4<sup>th</sup>, depending on Kingsbury Grade construction limitations.

11. Adjournment. (Side A/c#550)

Move to adjourn. Seibel/Fagen 5-0 approved.

Attest:

Glen Smith

Chairman/

Wesley Rice Secretary