# Round Hill General Improvement District Board of Trustees Meeting September 15, 2015

Tuesday 6:00 pm

#### 1. Meeting Called to Order (T-Mark 1)

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Glen Smith.

#### 2. Pledge of Allegiance (T-Mark 2)

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Glen Smith.

#### 3. Roll Call (T-Mark 3)

Chairman Glen Smith, Vice Chairman Steve Seibel, Trustees Wes Rice, Chuck Fagen and Keith Fertala were present. The District Manager, Administrative Assistant and District Counselor Pat Fagan were present. Residents Darin Smith, Dick Hoadley, Steve Teshara and Keith & Dana Novotny were present.

#### 4. Public Comment (T-Mark 4)

None

# 5. Approval of Agenda (T-Mark 5)

Motion to approve the agenda as presented. Seibel/Fagen 5-0 approved.

# 6. Discussion and possible action on a billing adjustment request from Round Hill resident Keith Novotny. (T-Mark 6)

Manager Reed reiterated discussions from the August 18, 2015 board meeting. At that meeting, the board requested that Manager Reed provide a spreadsheet of surrounding area Districts' policies and rates on vacation rentals. He contacted nine Districts, all of which do not have different water and sewer rates for single family homes vs. vacation rentals.

He stated that the fine imposed by D.C. for operating a V.R without a permit was rescinded when Mr. Novotny obtained a permit in July 2015. As indicated by D.C., rescinding the fine was by agreement and did not mean that Mr. Novotny was not operating a V.R. without a permit. It was just part of the agreement to mitigate the situation.

RHGID has substantial evidence that the property on Paiute was being used as a vacation rental. Therefore, in keeping with the District's tariffs, the billings as presented to Mr. Novotny should stand.

In keeping with the District's tariffs, a motion was made to respectfully decline the request for abatement. Rice/Fagen 5-0 approved.

# 7. Discussion and possible action to modify the Districts' tariffs related to vacation rentals. (T-Mark 7)

After discussion of item #6, a motion was made to maintain the District's tariffs as currently written. Seibel/Rice 5-0 approved.

8. Discussion and possible action on a request from DCSID for representation to attend Planning Commission and Board of County Commissioners' meetings and to consider funding for public relations for DCSID #1 retention basin project. (T-Mark 8)

Manager Reed reported that DCSID had requested additional support for this project; including attending two meetings, a Planning Committee meeting on Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:20 p.m. and a Board of County Commissioners' meeting on Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. The Planning Committee meeting will be held at the old County Courthouse in Minden and the County Commissioners' meeting will be held at the Tahoe Transportation Center at the Lake.

DCSID has spent approximately \$90,000 on advertising and other processes in attempting to secure the necessary permit. As shown below, they are soliciting support from stakeholders to offset their costs in the amount of \$35,000; \$804 of which is allocated to RHGID.

The \$90,000 has been paid for out of DCSID's construction fund, which is in turn funded through the rates RHGID pays to DCSID on an annual basis. DCSID receives revenue from its users, through rates.

Motion to approve the request from DCSID for representation to attend Planning Commission and County Commissioners' meetings and to fund \$804 for public relations for DCSID's proposed gravel pit / storage basin project contingent on surrounding entities participation. Rice/Fertala 5-0 approved.

# 9. Consent Calendar (T-Mark 9)

Motion to approve the consent calendar as presented. Fagen/Seibel 5-0 approved.

### 10. Staff Reports (T-Mark 10)

Manager Reed reported that RHGID water operators replaced the impellers on the pumps at the Pinewild sewer lift station. The impellers were badly corroded and scarred and it may be necessary to replace the volutes for the pumps in the near future.

Manager Reed has been working with TWSA and Sustainable Community Advocates to develop a response to the Tahoe Keys Integrated Weed Management Plan (IWMP) in opposition to the use of herbicides in Lake Tahoe. The TWSA Board meeting has been rescheduled to October 1<sup>st</sup> to allow for more attendance at the meeting. The Board meeting will be dedicated entirely to the herbicide issue.

Members of the TWSA subcommittee also met with Harold Singer from the Tahoe Area Sierra Club to discuss strategies moving forward with the Tahoe Keys IWMP. The TWSA may work with the Club to oppose the introduction of herbicides into Lake Tahoe.

At the Douglas County Commissioners' meeting Manager Reed testified on behalf of DCSID's gravel pit project. He then wrote a letter to Douglas County staff supporting the project.

Manager Reed met with representatives of Castle Rock to discuss the possibility that Castle Rock might transfer ownership of their water and sewer lines to RHGID. He stated that prior to any such transfer, RHGID would need the water and sewer lines brought up to current standards. Legal processes for such a transfer would also need to be completed. Castle Rock representatives are looking at getting real cost estimates for repairing / replacing their water and sewer lines and will then open preliminary discussions with the RHGID Board.

Manager Reed was scheduled to appear in Small Claims Court on September 8, 2015 against a Round Hill resident that is 4 months past due. RHGID has been in Small Claims Court against this same customer in 2013. RHGID has a lien on the property for the third time and the property owner did not show up for the court appearance. The District was awarded a judgement against the homeowner and will file a writ of execution.

11. Adjournment (T-Mark 11)
Move to adjourn. Fagen/Seibel 5-0 approved.

Attest:

Chairman

Wesley Rick Secretary