

ROUND HILL GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING**

**LOCATION: ROUND HILL DISTRICT OFFICE
343 UTE WAY
ZEPHYR COVE, NV 89448**

October 4, 2016

TUESDAY 3:00 PM

This is the agenda for all items scheduled to be considered. Unless otherwise stated, items may be taken out of the order presented at the discretion of the chairperson. The Board may combine two or more agenda items for consideration; and may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item on the agenda at any time. Action may only be taken on those items denoted "For Possible Action".

- 1. Discussion Item: CALL TO ORDER 3:00 P.M.**
- 2. Discussion Item: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 3. Discussion Item: ROLL CALL**
- 4. Discussion Item: PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comment may be accepted on items not on today's agenda, but not acted upon until it is scheduled for a subsequent meeting or meets NRS 241.020 (2) "Emergency" criteria and may be limited to a maximum of five minutes.

For agenda items, the Chairman will read the Agenda listing into public record. Staff will present a summary of the staff report and recommendations, including any updated information that was received after the date when the staff reports were distributed. The Board of Trustees will follow with questions of staff. At that time, the Chairman will open the hearing to public testimony. Normally, the applicant and/or their representative are permitted to speak first, followed by Trustees questions. The Chairman will then request comments from the public at large. If you wish to speak on a particular item, please limit your comments to five minutes and be as brief and concise as possible so that all who wish to speak may do so. Comments may be prohibited if they become disruptive to the meeting by becoming irrelevant, repetitious, offensive, inflammatory or amounting to personal attacks and interfering with the rights of other speakers. The Chairman has the right to establish time limits for comments and to allow for rebuttal.

- 5. For Possible Action: APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- 6. For Possible Action: Discussion and possible action on RHGID's involvement with DCSID and their election processes.**
- 7. For Possible Action: Adjournment.**

This notice and agenda have been posted on or before 9:00 a.m., September 29, 2016 in accordance with NRS 241.020. Copies of the agenda were posted at the following locations: Round Hill G.I.D. office, Zephyr Cove Post Office, Pinewild Homeowners Association office, Douglas County Library and the Douglas County Administration Building at Lake Tahoe.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above-mentioned information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and complies with provisions of NRS 241 and the laws of the State of Nevada. I also certify that this notice has been posted at least three working days before the convening of the meeting.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patti Acri". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned in the lower-left quadrant of the page.

ITEM # 6

Discussion and possible action on RHGID's involvement with DCSID and their election processes.

PRESENTED BY: Greg Reed

BACKGROUND:

District staff continues to work with DCSID to determine if there is an alternative solution to operating DCSID. A meeting was held on September 7th for all of the Lake GIDs to meet to discuss any updates. The letter that was penned by Chairman Smith has been used by the agencies to create a letter coming from DCSID, KGID, RHGID and TDD to Senator Settlemeier, as attached.

RHGID legal counsel has reviewed the proposed Inter-Local Agreement (ILA). As written, the ILA provides RHGID with the same level of input as is currently available. The ILA has been signed by RHGID and delivered to DCSID for their signature.

On July 22nd, Glen Smith, on behalf of the District, submitted the attached letter to State Senator James Settlemeier. A copy of the letter was also supplied to Douglas County Commissioners Barry Penzel and Nancy McDermid. To date, we have received no responses.

We have yet to receive a response from the Secretary of State's office regarding the letter that we sent to their office regarding the operation of DCSID.

At the regular September meeting, this Board agreed to the concept of the letter that was drafted to be sent to the Legislative Oversight Committee. At the September 22 meeting with DCSID, a final draft letter was developed. The final version of that letter is attached.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the attached letter to Senator Settlemeier to be signed by RHGID.

Date: September 22, 2016

To: Honorable Members, Nevada Legislative Committee for the Review and Oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the Marlette Lake Water System (NRS 218E.555)
Senator Ben Kieckhefer, Chair
Assemblyman Jim Wheeler, Vice Chair
Senator James Settelmeyer
Assemblyman Michael Sprinkle
Senator David Parks
Assemblywoman Robin Titus

Fr: Douglas County Sewer Improvement District #1 (DCSID)
Kingsbury General Improvement District (KGID)
Round Hill General Improvement District (RHGID)
Tahoe Douglas District (TDD)

Re: Request for Legislative Amendments to Expand Ratepayer Governance of the Douglas County Sewer Improvement District #1 (DCSID)

The four special districts identified above are each involved in the collection and conveyance of wastewater within the Tahoe Township of Douglas County. DCSID operates the wastewater treatment plant that serves the entire Township.

Management of these districts have reached general agreement on the purposes and guiding principles we offer for your consideration as you examine revisions to NRS 309, Local Improvement Districts, to expand the ratepayer governance of DCSID. Our shared goal, with your support and guidance, is to accomplish the following:

- Revise NRS 309 to allow the expansion of the boundaries of DCSID for the election of directors to represent the entire wastewater collection area in Tahoe Township, including DCSID and the improvement districts that utilize DCSID wastewater treatment.
- Revise NRS 309 to allow the Casino Core directors to be representatives of the landowners of record in the casino district or designees of those landowners with one director from each of DCSID's existing divisions 1 and 2.
- The other three DCSID directors shall be elected from and by registered voters in the newly expanded DCSID electoral territory (all of Tahoe Township).

These changes would bring the number of DCSID directors to five and provide for ratepayer governance from throughout the DCSID electoral area.

Background

Douglas County Sewer Improvement District #1 was established in 1953 pursuant to NRS 309, Local Improvement Districts, to have district directors who were landowners within the service territory. The district's service territory included the Stateline casino district. Casino owners paid for the development of DCSID and its facilities.

Subsequent to the original construction, DCSID was expanded to include several residential neighborhoods and the service area was expanded to include the entire Douglas County portion of the Lake Tahoe Basin (Tahoe Township).

Each neighborhood, GID or homeowners association (HOA) that has tied into DCSID for wastewater treatment has a customer relationship with their local wastewater collection utility, and, ultimately, with DCSID.

Property owners in the DCSID service area have no choice for wastewater treatment services and should have a voice in the operation of DCSID. Over the years, property owners in the service area have contributed to the capitalization of DCSID through the rates that have paid. The casino district generates 38 percent of the wastewater flows treated by DCSID (2015 flow rates).

DCSID has done a competent job of managing the wastewater treatment operations, making capital improvements, keeping up with evolving federal and state regulations, and keeping rates at or below those charged by other wastewater treatment districts.

The boards of directors of DCSID, KGID, RHGID, and TDD agree it is timely to make changes in the governance structure of DCSID to reflect ratepayer input from throughout the Tahoe Township.