

**Round Hill General Improvement District
Board of Trustees Minutes
June 28, 2022**

Tuesday

4:30 pm

1. Meeting Called to Order

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Keith Fertala.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Chairman Chuck Fagen.

3. Roll Call

Chairman Keith Fertala, Vice Chairman Chuck Fagen, Trustees Darin Smith and Gregg Rossi were present. Trustee Hunter Harris was absent. District Manager Andrew Hickman, Administrative Assistant Patti Page and District Counsel Justin Townsend were present. Alex Stodtmeister and Kristi Thompson of Farr West Engineering were present. Resident Bruce Steger was present.

4. Public Comment

None

5. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda as presented. Smith/Rossi 4-0 approved.

6. Presentation and discussion regarding the completed Rate Assessment for 2022.

A Power Point presentation was led by representatives of Farr West Engineering that detailed a rate assessment for Round Hill GID's water and sewer rates regarding Capital Improvement Projects, reserve fund balances, costs for operation/maintenance and charges for the future (through Fiscal Year 2026 – 2027). At the conclusion of the presentation Farr West Engineering again, recommended specified rate increases over a five-year period for both the water and sewer rates for the District to remain "on target" for financial goals, while keeping rates affordable for the customer.

No action was taken. Item for discussion only.

7. Discussion and possible action to approve to approve and Adopt Resolution #319 – Modifying the Round Hill GID Water Tariff Rule #24 to increase Base Water Rates for all line sizes and customers by:

- 2.9% effective July 1, 2022.
- An amount up to the Consumer Price Index effective July 1, 2023
- An amount up to the Consumer Price Index effective July 1, 2024
- An amount up to the Consumer Price Index effective July 1, 2025
- An amount up to the Consumer Price Index effective July 1, 2026

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Motion to approve and Adopt Resolution #319 – Modifying the Round Hill GID Water Tariff Rule #24 to increase Base Water Rates for all line sizes and customers. Smith/Rossi 4-0 approved.

8. Discussion and possible action to approve and Adopt Resolution #320 – Modifying the Round Hill GID Sewer Tariff Rule #23 to increase Base Sewer Rates for all line sizes and customers by:

- 30% effective July 1, 2022
- 10% effective July 1, 2023
- 8% effective July 1, 2024
- An amount up to the Consumer Price Index effective July 1, 2025
- An amount up to the Consumer Price Index effective July 1, 2026

Motion to approve and Adopt Resolution #319 – Modifying the Round Hill GID Water Tariff Rule #23 to increase Base Sewer Rates for all line sizes and customers. Rossi/Smith 4-0 approved.

9. Discussion and possible action to approve an employee health benefits plan.

Manager Hickman reported that there was no need to discuss the issue as he was informed at the last moment that the original policy chosen by employees and approved by the Board would be honored by Prominence Health Plan. No action was taken.

10. Discussion and possible action to approve Task Order #11 with Farr West Engineering for an amount not to exceed \$7,000 (as budgeted) for GIS Services for FY 2022 – 2023.

Per our General Services Contract with Farr West Engineering, this requires approval from the Board.

Manager Hickman stated that this will be funded through line item 5139 on the FY 2022 – 2023 approved budget. No additional funding will be needed.

Motion to approve Task Order #11 with Farr West Engineering for an amount not to exceed \$7,000 (as budgeted) for GIS Services for FY 2022 – 2023. Smith/Rossi 4-0 approved.

11. Consent Calendar

Motion to approve the consent calendar as presented. Rossi/Smith 4-0 approved.

11. Staff Reports

Manager Hickman attended the following meetings and activities:

- Douglas County Debt Management Committee on May 18th – Approval for Skyland GID to finance fence replacement
- TWSA 20th Anniversary Luncheon on June 1st
- NDEP Certified Water Operators Forum on June 8th
- Douglas County Board of County Commissioners on June 16th – ARPA Funds

We were able to secure two new Certificates of Deposit (CD) through Wells Fargo Advisors. Both were 1-year terms at a rate of 1.4%

Farr West has been in contact with Jeff Lommori from Sierra Nevada Excavation (the contractor) to discuss a start date for the project. The contractor is working on submittals. They submitted insurance documentation previously, but it didn't include the District and Farr West as additionally insured. Farr West asked that they provide a revised document. Still waiting on bonds and a start date.

Manager Hickman will be scheduling a meeting with Douglas County CFO Terri Willoughby and Grants Coordinator Debbie Swickard to discuss potential grant funding opportunities for RHGID.

The Water System Master Plan has been completed by Farr West Engineering and was delivered on May 25th.

Newsletters have been printed and mailed. Consumer Confidence Reports (contained in Newsletter) have been sent and the Certificate of Delivery has been filed with NDEP.

A water line leak was reported by Wyndham Resorts (on Elks Point Rd west of Hwy 50) over the Memorial Day weekend. They were able to wait for repair until the following Tuesday. The resort hired Lake Tahoe Plumbing to complete the repair. RHGID staff guided and assisted the repair, and the leak was fixed by 5pm on Tuesday.

Tahoe Keys has completed the herbicide application and 21-day monitoring period to control/eradicate invasive weeds within the Tahoe Keys.

Manager Hickman opened a discussion at the TWSA meeting as TWSA, Executive Director Madonna Dunbar and TWSA Board Chair Suzi Gibbons are directly involved with the processes leading up to this project. TWSA, which includes RHGID was adamantly opposed to the application of herbicides in the Tahoe Keys. The topic arose (as it did in this board) of testing to ensure that no chemicals reached any portion of Lake Tahoe, thus potentially contaminating surrounding water systems.

An article in the Tahoe Daily Tribune stated that the herbicides were infused with a red dye and that flow tests were done over the 21-day monitoring period to ensure there was no migration of the chemicals outside of the application areas. Madonna also said that there were tests conducted outside each application site, at a common location within the Keys channel and at the mouth of the channel leading to Lake Tahoe. If the testing result were anything other than ZERO, a three-tiered plan with notification would be implemented (containment, removal, mitigation).

This board has expressed some interest in possibly doing additional testing within the RHGID intake area. Other agencies stated that their boards inquired about this, as well. The response was generally "you could do so, if you like, but it is unnecessary. The testing in place is completely sufficient, so anything else would be costly and not needed."

No attorneys report.

12. Adjournment

Move to adjourn. Smith/Rossi 4 -0 approved.

Attest:



Keith Fertala
Chairman



Hunter Harris
Secretary