

**Round Hill General Improvement District
Board of Trustees Minutes
January 17, 2023**

Tuesday

4:30 pm

1. Meeting Called to Order

Meeting was called to order by Secretary/Treasurer Hunter Harris.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Secretary/Treasurer Hunter Harris.

3. Roll Call

Chairman Keith Fertala, Vice Chairman Darin Smith and District Counsel Alida Mooney were present via Zoom. Trustee's Hunter Harris, Gregg Rossi and Joshua Buck were present. District Manager Andrew Hickman and Administrative Assistant Patti Page were present.

4. Public Comment

None

5. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda as presented. Buck/Rossi 5-0 approved.

6. Discussion and possible action to approve or deny a substantial abatement of sewer charges for the property located at 252 Cheyenne Circle.

Manager Hickman stated that after inspection, it was found that the excess water did run over ground and not into the sewer system. This property had the same issue in 2021 and was denied an abatement of sewer fees as District staff could not prove the water had run over ground. The homeowner stated that he thought the issue repaired had been repaired last year.

Manager Hickman also stated that moving forward, the issue must be corrected as another abatement may not be honored. The Board agreed.

After discussion, motion was made to approve the abatement of sewer charges for the property located at 252 Cheyenne Circle in the amount of \$3,402.36. The homeowner will be responsible for the water usage in the amount of \$1,545.55 and the minimum sewer fee of \$87.24. Buck/Harris 5-0 approved.

7. Discussion and possible action to either remain with Eide Bailly for auditing services for 2023 at a cost of \$36,000.00, or to solicit bids from other governmental auditing service providers.

Eide Bailly (formerly Kohn & Company/Kohn Colodny) has been performing our annual audits since at least 2005. Our working relationship and their knowledge of the industry and RHGID specifically has been an invaluable asset.

However, the cost for auditing services has increased significantly recently. In 2020, the cost was \$17,600. In 2021, it was \$18,400. In 2022, it was \$29,700.

Trustee Harris stated that perhaps we should get a new set of eyes on our financials and hope that the costs are lower.

Motion directing Manager Hickman to solicit proposals from other governmental auditing services providers. Harris/Rossi 5-0 approved.

8. Discussion and possible action to form a subcommittee of 2 (two) Trustees to enter into contract negotiations with District Manager Andrew Hickman.

The District Manager's contract expires June 30, 2023.

Formation of a subcommittee to enter into contract negotiations is customary. After negotiations are complete, the subcommittee will bring the results to the Board for final approval at a future Board Meeting. Beginning negotiations this early will help staff prepare the 2023 Budget.

Motion to form a subcommittee consisting of Chairman Keith Fertala and Secretary Hunter Harris to enter into contract negotiations with District Manager Andrew Hickman. Harris/Rossi 5-0 approved.

9. Consent Calendar

Discussions regarding the current balance remaining in the Wells Fargo checking account which collects no interest prompted the Board to direct staff to bring the issue back to the board as an agenda item for further approval on placement of those funds, CD's and the districts CIP organization.

Motion to approve the consent calendar as presented. Harris/Rossi 5-0 approved.

10. Staff Reports

Manager Hickman stated that there was no Managers report as he hadn't attended any meetings. He and staff had been working on snow removal operations non-stop.

Included in correspondence were two e-mails from residents regarding the great work staff was accomplishing with snow removal. Both e-mails stated that Round Hill has the best snow removal around the basin by far.

No attorneys report.

11. Adjournment

Move to adjourn. Rossi/Buck 5-0 approved.

Attest:



Keith Fertala
Chairman



Hunter Harris
Secretary