



Sun Valley General Improvement District Board Meeting Minutes of July 26, 2018

Board Members Present:

Sandra Ainsworth	Chairperson
Susan Severt	Vice Chair
Joseph Barstow	Secretary
Carmen Ortiz	Treasurer

Board Members Not Present:

Garth Elliott	Trustee
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Staff Present:

Jon Combs	SVGID, General Manager
Chris Melton	SVGID, Public Works Director
Jennifer Merritt	SVGID, Administrative Assistant
Nancyann Leeder	SVGID, Legal Counsel

Other Members Present:

Michael Rider	Audience
Glenda Walls	Audience
Nancy Eklof	Nancy Eklof Public Relations

The meeting of the Sun Valley General Improvement District was called to order by Chairperson Ainsworth at 6:00 pm in the Sun Valley District Administrative Building, 5000 Sun Valley Blvd., Sun Valley, NV.

Item# 1. Roll call and determination of a quorum.

Board members present; Chairperson Ainsworth, Vice Chair Severt, Secretary Barstow and Treasurer Ortiz. A quorum was present.

Item# 2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Led by audience member Mr. Rider.

Item# 3. Public comments or items not on the agenda.

None

Item# 4. Motion to approve the agenda.

Vice Chair Severt made a motion to approve the agenda. Secretary Barstow seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Item# 5. Certify posting of the agenda.

Ms. Merritt certified posting of the agenda.

Item# 6. Trustee/Manager's announcements, request for information, and statements relating to items not on the agenda.

Mr. Combs announced the Sun Valley Pool is offering a Free Swim Day July 28th sponsored by DR Horton. He also announced Family Classic Car Club will be hosting a Show & Shine at the Sun Valley Community Park on August 25th from 10 am until 3 pm.

Item# 7. Discussion and action to approve accounts payable and customer refunds for July 26, 2018.

Treasurer Ortiz gave a brief report of the accounts payable for July 26, 2018.

Treasurer Ortiz made a motion to approve the accounts payable for July 26, 2018 in the total amount of \$473,408.48. Secretary Barstow seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Ortiz gave a brief report of the customer refunds for July 26, 2018.

Treasurer Ortiz made a motion to approve customer refunds for July 26, 2018 in the total amount of \$1,055.65. Vice Chair Severt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

There were no public comments.

Item# 8. Discussion and motion to approve Board Meeting Minutes of July 12, 2018.

Secretary Barstow made motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes of July 12, 2018 as submitted. Vice Chair Severt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

There were no public comments.

Item# 9. Marketing update by Nancy Eklof with Nancy Eklof Public Relations.

Ms. Eklof with Nancy Eklof Public Relations gave a brief recap of various projects she has worked on for the District. She reported her primary focus was promoting the opening of the Sun Valley Pool and Dive Into Summer Event. She promoted these events with various media outlets including Reno Media Group who provided a live radio remote at the Sun Valley Community Park during the Dive Into Summer Event. She successfully drafted and finalized the Summer Pipeline for distribution. She continues to send the Pipeline electronically to various outlets. She reported she provided media advisories for the free swim days June 23rd and July 4th. The District has been getting a lot of positive coverage of the pool. The news stations have been using the Sun Valley Pool as its image and video for various segments. She also commented she continues to work directly with staff on various marketing needs including attending the monthly marketing meetings.

Audience member Mr. Rider commented he appreciated having the live radio remote at the Dive Into Summer event. He also suggested having the radio station participate in the raffle to potentially bring in more patrons and to also announce the names of our generous sponsors.

Item# 10. Update by District representative, Chairperson Ainsworth, regarding Western Regional Water Commission business, including but not limited to, the Trustee's taking a position regarding the possible action of the Commission to disband itself via the 2019 Legislative Session.

Chairperson Ainsworth gave a brief update regarding the Western Regional Water Commission. She stated during the recent Western Regional Water Commission meetings several of the board members would like to consider dissolution of the Western Regional Water Commission. She stated the Chair of the Western Regional Water Commission would like to consider changing the focus of the commission and have the commission's primary focus be on storm water and funding of such. By changing the functions of the Western Regional Water Commission has the potential of eliminating several board/commission members, such as Sun Valley General Improvement District and Truckee Meadows Water Authority, because both agencies don't have storm water powers. The existing functions, duties and responsibilities of the Western Regional Water Commission cover all things water; water quality and storage of both surface and ground water, wastewater treatment and use of reuse water, collection system for storm water, cost and financing of treating, storing and delivery of water, and evaluating the water supply for current and future use for the region. Ms. Ainsworth stated the Western Regional Water Commission does not need to disband to redirect funds towards storm water. The Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission could propose a redirection of funds to accommodate this effort. Her concern with disbanding the Western Regional Water Commission is that Sun Valley General Improvement District would lose its seat(s) on a board(s) that currently protect the Sun Valley General Improvement District's interest in providing water to the Sun Valley rate payers. A lot of supporting efforts from various governmental agencies and elected officials wanted to make sure that all agencies providing a "water" service had a seat on the Western Regional Water Commission.

Ms. Ainsworth reported the Western Regional Water Commission is tentatively scheduled to have a workshop on August 14th to discuss further the dissolution of the Western Regional Water Commission in order to have time to submit a Bill Draft Request for the 2019 Legislative Session. She requested from the Sun Valley General Improvement District Board of Trustees' what position would they like for her to take during the workshop and future board meetings. She stated she is not in favor of the dissolution of the Western Regional Water Commission.

Ms. Leeder stated the direction for the Sun Valley General Improvement District Board of Trustees' to Ms. Ainsworth should be direction to report back to the Western Regional Water Commission of the Sun Valley General Improvement District's objection for the dissolution.

Mr. Combs reported Mr. Enloe with Truckee Meadows Water Authority is against the desire to change the functions of the Western Regional Water Commission to storm water only. Mr. Enloe doesn't know how he can justify collecting 1.5% from Truckee Meadow Water Authority rate payers for a service that Truckee Meadows Water Authority does not provide. Mr. Combs stated Sun Valley General Improvement District is in the same situation; how to justify collecting the 1.5% from our rate payers for a power that Sun Valley General Improvement District doesn't have any control over. He stated it is in the best interest of Sun Valley General Improvement District, on behalf of the rate payers, that we continue with the Western Regional Water Commission as created by the Legislature in 2007.

Vice Chair Severt stated she recommends objecting of the dissolution of the Western Regional Water Commission. She doesn't understand why members of the Western

Regional Water Commission would want to change the functions of the commission for something that it already has authority to pursue, study of storm water. She stated she is not sure the Legislature would approve of such changes of the Western Regional Water Commission because the commission is responsible for carrying out all aspects of the Truckee River Operating Agreement.

Secretary Barstow stated he would like to keep as much representation for Sun Valley, especially if the District is going to continue collecting 1.5% from the Sun Valley General Improvement District rate payers.

Treasurer Ortiz stated she concurs with all of the Trustees' statements and in the interest of protecting the Sun Valley General Improvement District rate payers, the District needs to strongly object of the dissolution of the Western Regional Water Commission.

After further discussion the Board of Trustees' gave Chairperson Ainsworth direction to attend the Western Regional Water Commission workshop and vocalize the District's objection of the dissolution of the Western Regional Water Commission; report back to the Sun Valley General Improvement District Board the outcome of the Western Regional Water Commission workshop and future need of acquiring a lobbyist.

There were no public comments.

Item# 11. Discussion regarding whether and how to recognize the Sun Valley Cal Ripken Little League for their participation in the State Championship Game.

Mr. Combs stated this item was requested by Secretary Barstow. Mr. Barstow would like to recognize the Sun Valley Cal Ripken Baseball Little League for participating and finishing second in the State Championship Game.

Secretary Barstow stated he would like to recognize the Sun Valley Cal Ripken Baseball Little League with a certificate and possibly some ice cream.

Vice Chair Severt stated the Sun Valley Cal Ripken Baseball Little League should be a recipient of the Sun Valley Community Service Award along with certificates for each of the players.

After further discussion Secretary Barstow made a motion to recognize the Sun Valley Cal Ripken Baseball Little League with the Sun Valley Community Service Award and invite the 2nd Place Sun Valley Cal Ripken Baseball team to accept the award and recognize each player with a certificate. Vice Chair Severt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

There were no public comments.

Item# 12. Legal report by Nancyann Leeder.

None

Item# 13. Field report by Chris Melton.

Mr. Melton reported on the following items;

- The 12" Water T-Main project for the middle school has been completed, staff is currently testing and sampling the line prior to putting it into service and Sierra Nevada Construction has scheduled paving on August 31st.

- Field staff is currently working on installing drainage at the Sun Valley Community Park near the BMX Track to eliminate standing water from the irrigation runoff. Staff will also be raising the walk path to the BMX Track.

Item# 14. Manager's report by Jon Combs.

Mr. Combs reported on the following items;

- Washoe County Health Department contacted the District offering No Smoking signage for the Sun Valley parks. The signs will be the same signs installed at the Washoe County, City of Sparks and City of Reno parks.
- Health Department rescheduled the District's meeting to consider the District's waiver request for small water projects, meeting is scheduled for July 30th.
- He will be attending the upcoming Truckee Meadows Water Reclamation Facility Joint Coordinating Committee meeting and the Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission meeting scheduled for August 1st.
- He wished Sandra Ainsworth a Happy Birthday on behalf of the District.

Item# 15. Public Comments.

None

Item# 16. Board Comments.

Vice Chair Severt reported the Nevada Public Agency Insurance Pool is holding its annual board retreat on September 20th and September 21st in Lake Tahoe. They will be offering a lot of guest speakers including Daniel Burrus of Burrus Research who is a global specialist and strategic advisor.

Treasurer Ortiz gave a brief recap of the 2018 American Water Works Association ACE Conference. She reported the conference had a total of 12,300 attendees, 473 exhibitors, 1,303 international attendees, 68 countries represented, 3,000 first time attendees, 760 speaker/presenters, 125 volunteers, 126 sessions and 16 tracks.

Item# 17. Future Agenda Items.

Mr. Combs reported the following items will be on the next agenda;

- Review and adoption of the District retirement policy regarding continuation of health benefits.
- Consideration to attend the Nevada League of Cities and Municipalities annual conference.
- Consideration to attend the Nevada Association of Counties annual conference.
- Staff update regarding the Middle School water and sewer projects.
- Continuation of the Western Regional Water Commission possible dissolution.

Vice Chair Severt requested a small report on the Sun Valley General Improvement District Water Quality Report. She also stated future discussion regarding acquiring a lobbyist.

Item# 18. Adjournment.

Secretary Barstow made a motion to adjourn at 7:05 pm. Vice Chair Severt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Approved by the SVGID Board of Trustees on August 9, 2018.

Minutes Prepared by: Jennifer Merritt, Administrative Assistant