



Sun Valley G.I.D. Board Meeting Minutes of April 28, 2011

Board Members Present:

Margaret Reinhardt	Chairperson
Linda Woodland	Vice-Chair
Sandra Ainsworth	Secretary
Garth Elliott	Treasurer
Robert Fink	Trustee

Board Members Not Present:

Staff Present:

Darrin Price	SVGID, General Manager
Mike Ariztia	SVGID, Public Works Director
Jennifer Merritt	SVGID, Staff
Stewart White	SVGID, Legal
Bill Short	SVGID, CPA

Others Present:

Melissa Krall - Kids Safe Washoe County
Paul Miller - Truckee Meadows Water Authority
Leanna Dyer - Community Services Agency

The meeting of the Sun Valley GID was called to order by Chairperson Margaret Reinhardt at 6:00 p.m. 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; Margaret Reinhardt, Linda Woodland, Sandra Ainsworth, Garth Elliott, and Robert Fink. A quorum was present.

Item#2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Item#3. Motion to approve agenda

Linda Woodland made a motion to approve the agenda. Sandra Ainsworth seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Item#4. Certify posting of agenda.

Jennifer Merritt certified posting of agenda.

Item#5. Public comments for items not on the agenda.

Audience member Warren Brighton gave a brief update on the Clock Tower and commented on abandoned properties within Sun Valley and Washoe County.

Audience member Susan Severt reported the Washoe County School District will be available at the Sun Valley Neighborhood Center May 4, 2011 from 12 pm until 1 pm to discuss the schools budget. Susan commented May 7, 2011 is the Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful Great Clean Up, there will be two Sun Valley sites Chimney and Debussy. She also reminded everyone that April 30, 2011 is the last free dump weekend at the Lockwood Dump.

Item#6. Discussion and motion to approve payables and customer refunds for April 28, 2011.

Treasurer Garth Elliott gave a brief report of the accounts payable for April 28, 2011.

Garth Elliott made a motion to approve the accounts payable for April 28, 2011 in the total amounts of \$139,963.96 and customer refunds for April 28, 2011 in the total amount of \$1,131.72. Robert Fink seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Item#7. Discussion and motion to approve minutes from April 12, 2011 and April 14, 2011.

Linda Woodland made a motion to approve workshop minutes of April 12, 2011 with the following corrections; item no. 4 page 2 spelling correction "Reinhart" to "Reinhardt", item no. 5 page 4 change "\$10.00" to "\$8.26". Robert Fink seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Linda Woodland made a motion to approve the minutes of April 14, 2011 as submitted. Robert Fink seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Item#8. Consideration and possible approval of a request from Safe Kids Washoe County to use the Sun Valley Neighborhood Center and portion of the Sun Valley park for the Safe Kids Bike Camp, including waiver of park facility rental fees.

Darrin Price reported the District received a request from Safe Kids Washoe County to use a portion of the Sun Valley Community Park and Neighborhood Center. The request is for a Safe Kids Bike Camp that Safe Kids Washoe County will be hosting. In addition to the request for the use of the park facilities, they are also asking for consideration of waving rental fees.

Melissa Krall with Safe Kids Washoe County reported the last Safe Kids Bike Camp was held at the Sun Valley Community Park. The camp only used a room at the Neighborhood Center to store their personal items, and a portion of the parking lot for a bike training course and for lunch.

The purpose of the camp is to teach children about bike and pedestrian safety. The children they target are those who have little or no bike experience. All children throughout the course have an opportunity to earn the bike they are supplied with when the camp is over. Each child is provided with a bike, helmet, water bottle, backpack, and tee-shirt. Each camp is for one week, and she is hoping to offer six camps this summer, two of them being for advance riders with the possibility of using the Bighorn BMX Track for off road practice.

Robert Fink commented Melissa will need to contact Bighorn BMX directly for the use of the track.

Linda Woodland inquired if the seniors had any issues with the camp last year?

Melissa commented the camp shared space with the seniors last year and they didn't seem to mind at all. She thinks it could potentially offer intergenerational opportunities.

Garth Elliott commented he supports a cooperative agreement with Bighorn BMX for an advance training rather than sending the children off road on BLM property.

Margaret Reinhardt inquired what fees are being requested to be waived.

Darrin commented the fees would include the \$80.00 rental fee for the park, per day and the \$50.00 rental fee for the Neighborhood Center, per hour, these fees would add up to approximately \$1,900.00 over the six week course.

Melissa commented as part of the camp, each group is responsible for a community service project. Past groups have adopted the Sun Valley Regional and Community Park to clean up weeds and debris. Melissa commented she would be open to cleaning up other Sun Valley parks.

After some discussion Robert Fink made a motion to approve the request from Safe Kids Washoe County to use portions of the Sun Valley Community Park and Neighborhood Center, waiver of rental fees as noted, and for Safe Kids Washoe County to negotiate with Bighorn BMX for the use of the BMX track. Garth Elliott seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Item#9. Presentation recognizing the high quality of drinking water delivered to the residents of the Sun Valley; and adoption of a Proclamation declaring May 1-7, 2011 as National and Local Drinking Water Week.

Paul Miller with Truckee Meadows Water Authority ("TMWA") gave a brief presentation recognizing the high quality of drinking water. TMWA consistently provides high quality water that complies with all applicable drinking water standards and in many cases is significantly better than the minimum requirement.

Darrin Price read into the record the Proclamation for National and Local Drinking Water Week May 1-7, 2011 and requested for adoption of the Proclamation.

Robert Fink inquired what the purpose of the Proclamation is.

Paul commented in December 2009 the Environmental Working Group ("EWG") a non profit group who is based out of Washington D.C., published its "Tap Water Quality Database" and ranked TMWA the fifth lowest in the nation. TMWA immediately contacted EWG and began its attempt to set the record straight. Paul reported EWG misused the data provided from TMWA's Water Quality Report and TMWA continually requests them to correct their report. By adopting the Proclamation, it will show that the Sun Valley General Improvement District proudly stands behind the high quality drinking water they produce to Sun Valley residents and the recognition of the quality of TMWA drinking water.

Robert Fink made a motion to approve the National and Local Drinking Water Week Proclamation. Linda Woodland seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Item#10. Discussion and possible motion regarding installation of a security surveillance system at the Sun Valley Community Park and Neighborhood Center.

Mike Ariztia reported he met with both vendors as requested to discuss cameras located at various locations around the Sun Valley Community Park. After meeting on site both vendors were given the opportunity to provide revised bids.

Robert Fink inquired if the security equipment is budgeted for.

Mike commented the upcoming 2011/2012 budget includes funds for the purchase of the equipment.

Garth Elliott commented he has a lot of questions regarding the equipment that Burgarello Alarm is suggesting. Garth also suggested meeting with the vendors onsite.

Garth Elliott made a motion to defer this item and suggested the Trustees meet with both vendors onsite to ask questions in a non-quorum capacity.

Robert inquired why Burgarello Alarm is offering a service contract and Diversified Systems is not.

Mike commented Burgarello Alarm's bid is on a lease option to help reduce the upfront cost. During the course of the lease, Burgarello Alarm will service the equipment until the District has paid for it in full, at which time the District will be responsible for the service or the District could approve a new service contract. Diversified Systems does not offer a lease option or a service contract, the District would be responsible for the service of the security equipment. Mike commented he would be happy to set up another onsite meeting with both vendors.

Darrin Price suggested arranging a special meeting with all Board Members at the Sun Valley Community Park.

After some discussion Garth Elliott amended his motion to hold a special board meeting May 10, 2011 at the Sun Valley Neighborhood Center at 6 pm to receive presentations from both Burgarello Alarm, Inc. and Diversified Systems International. Robert Fink seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Item#11. Discussion and possible motion to consider amendments to existing Lease Agreements and Interlocal Agreements regarding cost sharing of utilities for the Sun Valley Neighborhood Center prior to renewals.

Mike Ariztia reported during the 2011/2012 budget workshop staff identified a significant cost in utilities for the Neighborhood Center and the Teen Center that is currently being paid 100% by the District. The estimated utility cost for these two facilities is \$18,000.00. With the District's continuing efforts to reduce costs on the overall budget, staff is requesting cost sharing between the District and the tenants of the two facilities. The proposal is for the District to pay half the cost of the utilities at the Neighborhood Center with the remaining half paid proportionately by the existing tenants. The proposed breakdown by percentage is based on square footage and estimated annual cost based on previous utility bills. The District's share of 50% of the total bill for utilities is \$3,800.00 per year, Washoe County's share is 35% their cost is \$2,700.00 per year, Family Resources share is 5% their cost is \$400.00 per year, and Head Start's share is 10% their cost is \$800.00 per year. Mike commented since the Boys and Girls Club of Truckee Meadows is the only tenant of the Teen Center, it is recommended they pay 100% of the utilities that is \$6,000.00 per year.

Leanna Dyer with Community Services Agency who represents Head Start reported they received the notice of this request and is willing to pay 10% of the utilities. They are very grateful for the opportunity to offer a Head Start program in Sun Valley and continue its partnership with the District for the use of the Neighborhood Center.

Garth Elliott thanked Community Services Agency for attending and efforts to work together with the District.

Darrin Price reported for the record the amounts presented are not fixed rates and that each tenant would be responsible for their percentage identified by District staff.

Robert Fink commented he does not like flexible rates, it is not consider good practice and would recommend a fixed rate for utilities.

After some discussion Linda Woodland made a motion to approve staff's recommendations for the Neighborhood Center and the Teen Center, to share in the cost of the utilities. Sandra Ainsworth seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following;

Yea: Linda Woodland, Sandra Ainsworth, Margaret Reinhardt

Nay: Robert Fink

Abstained: Garth Elliott (had personal work done by Community Service Agency)

Item#12. Discussion and possible motion of creating a program for reporting vandals.

Mike Ariztia reported he researched other government agencies such as the City of Sparks, City of Reno, and Washoe County. None of these agencies offer a reward to individuals who report vandals, they advise individuals who are looking for a reward to contact the Secret Witness Program.

Mike was directed to contact other organizations and/or neighboring states governmental agencies and inquire if they have a program that offers a reward.

A. Program policy and procedure

B. Reward amounts

Item#13. Discussion and possible direction regarding tentative budget for fiscal year 2011/2012.

Darrin Price reported he has nothing to new to update regarding the tentative budget.

Margaret Reinhardt commented if the District approves the proposed rate increase for the purpose of covering the water bond payment, she would like to see those funds separated from the water revenue and put aside in a special account that is designated for the water bond payment only.

Bill Short commented the District currently transfers a \$1.00 into a separate account for the interest payment of the water bond. If the District approves a rate increase, that increase amount can be transferred into the same account for the bond payment.

Darrin commented this would be something that could be requested during the Tariff Hearing.

Garth Elliott commented he would like to see a 6% reduction on the average from the tentative budget. This would be from reducing some line items and cutting some line items entirely. If the proposed rate increase is approved, he spoke with almost 200 people and they would be profoundly impacted by any rate increase.

Margaret Reinhardt asked Garth if he would like to go through the budget again line by line.

Garth did not think that was necessary, he will have his request ready for discussion by the first meeting in May or no later than May 17th.

Darrin requested Garth to meet with him prior to the next meeting to discuss what he would like to see changed in the tentative budget, this will allow staff enough time to research any reductions or possible elimination prior to the Budget Hearing.

Item#14. Discussion regarding the Secondary Wholesale project and Ladera Ranch, LLC.

Mike Ariztia gave a brief report on the Secondary Wholesale project and Ladera Ranch, LLC as requested by the Board. Ladera Ranch, LLC was approved for a total of 356 lots that would be built out in three phases. Phase I facility fees were paid in full in the amount of \$1,595,475.00 and the remaining amount of facility fees for Phase II and III are still due. These fees at today's current rate would be \$4,413,548.00 for Phase II and III. The Secondary Wholesale Point which consist of upgrades to the Truckee Meadows Water Authority system from Rancho San Rafael to the vault located at the District's Boundary tank were paid in February 2008 in the total amount of \$8,497,948.00. The total construction cost of the Boundary tank, pump station and transmission main was \$2,212,798.39.

Robert Fink inquired if Ladera Ranch, LLC paid any portion of the Boundary tank.

Mike commented Ladera Ranch did not pay any additional payments to the District, only facility fees.

Robert commented he thinks that Ladera Ranch, LLC should have been responsible to pay for the tank just like Lifestyle Homes. Robert also inquired what the purpose of the Westside tank was.

Darrin Price reported the Westside tank was constructed for additional fire emergency storage and additional storage for existing customers as identified in the water master plan.

Item#15. Update and discussion regarding the 76th (2011) Legislative Session.

Darrin Price reported on the following bills; AB211 Prohibits discriminatory employment practices based upon gender identity or expression.; AB330 Makes various changes to provisions relating to certain government contracts; AB405 Revises provisions governing the Public Employees' Retirement System; AB433 Expands prohibition on employers taking certain actions to prohibit, punish or prevent employees from engaging in politics or becoming candidates for public office with certain exceptions; SB98 Revises provisions relating to collective bargaining between local governments and employee organizations, and SB149 Establishes policies concerning certain persons with disabilities.

Garth Elliott commented on a bill that will increase the cap from 400,000 to 700,000 for two additional commissioners.

Item#16. Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding potential changes to representation on the governing boards of the Regional Planning Governing Board ("RPGB"), the Regional Transportation Commission ("RTC"), and the Western Regional Water Commission ("WRWC").

Darrin Price reported there has been discussion from Washoe County, City of Sparks, and the City of Reno of potentially disbanding the Regional Planning Governing Board since there is nothing to plan for at this time.

Item#17. Update on the Pyramid/US 395 Connection.

It was requested to invite Regional Transportation Commission back for an update.

Item#18. Financial report by Bill Short.

None

Item#19. Legal report by Stewart White.

None

Item#20. Field report by Mike Ariztia.

Mike Ariztia reported the following;

- 7th Ave. and Quartz Ln. project is moving along. It is projected that the storm drain will be fully installed by April 29th. The next step is to grade and prep for sidewalks.
- Mike provided a breakdown of the two recycling days. April 16th the District collected 4.6 tons of appliances and collected \$809.00 for the recycled metal; collected 97 Televisions and 40 monitors, the District paid \$1,855.00 for the disposal of these two items; and collected \$129.00 in donations. After applying the money received for the metal and donations, it cost the District \$917.00 for April 16th. On April 23rd the District collected 3.9 tons of appliances and collected \$683.00 for the recycled metal; collected 80 Televisions, the District paid \$1,200.00 for the disposal of the televisions; and collected \$62.15 in donations. After applying the money received for the metal and donations, it cost the District \$454.85 for April 23rd. The total overall cost to the District for both days was \$1,371.85.

Item#21. Managers report by Darrin Price.

Darrin Price reported on the following;

- There was record attendance at the Sun Valley Health and Safety Fair that was held at the Sun Valley Community Park on April 23rd. A total of 140 children received free immunizations, more than 40 adults received free immunizations, 37 free booster seats provided by REMSA, and NV Energy donated 1600 Easter eggs. A lot of positive comments were provided regarding the Fair.
- Darrin provided a year of Customer Service stats as requested by Garth Elliott.
- Truckee Meadows Water Authority approved their tentative budget with no proposed increases this year. He will continue to monitor any proposed rate increase.
- He attended the Pool/PACT meeting today and will attend the Pool/PACT board meeting Friday April 29th.

A. Update regarding activity of on-going commissions and committees.

None

Item#22. Public Comments.

Susan Severt commented the Spring Teen Dance is May 6th from 7 pm until 10 pm at the Sun Valley Neighborhood Center.

Item#23. Board Comments.

Robert Fink commented the Sun Valley Health and Safety Fair was a great success and recommended a letter of support be given by the District. He also commented the storm grate has been replaced on W. 7th Ave.

Garth Elliott commented he will be attending the Pool/PACT board meeting as the District's alternate representative. He encouraged individuals to contact the realtor responsible for any vacant home that has been vandalized. He continues to work with Jennifer Budge with Washoe County Regional Parks and Open Spaces regarding a portion of fencing that is still needed for the Sun Valley Regional Park. He also commented he would like to see the District start looking into solar options for the parks and its facilities to help offset costs.

Linda Woodland commented Highland Ranch Home Owners Association is now only down to 24 home foreclosures.

Item#24. Future agenda items.

None

Item#25. Adjournment.

Linda Woodland made a motion to adjourn at 8:10 pm. Sandra Ainsworth seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.