

# Sun Valley G.I.D. Board Meeting Minutes of August 14, 2014

#### **Board Members Present:**

Sandra Ainsworth
Garth Elliott
Wargaret Reinhardt
Joseph Barstow
Susan Severt

Chairperson
Vice-Chair
Secretary
Treasurer
Trustee

#### **Board Members Not Present:**

#### Staff Present:

Darrin Price SVGID, General Manager Mike Ariztia SVGID, Public Works Director

Erin Dowling SVGID, Customer Service Supervisor

Maddy Shipman SVGID, Legal Jennifer Merritt SVGID, Staff

#### **Others Present:**

Jim Ainsworth
Suzanne Dutra
Jeanne Herman
Vicky Maltman
Michael Rider
Glenda Walls
Audience
Audience
Audience
Audience

John Crabtree Battle Born BMX Barry Bouchard Nevada Trends

Jennifer Budge Washoe County Regional Parks and Open Space

# The meeting of the Sun Valley GID was called to order by Chairperson Ainsworth 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; Treasurer Barstow, Vice Chair Elliott, Chair Ainsworth, Secretary Reinhardt, Trustee Severt. A quorum was present.

#### Item#2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Led by Trustee Severt

#### Item#3. Motion to approve agenda.

Chairperson Ainsworth stated she has a request to postpone agenda item 14.

Secretary Reinhardt made a motion to postpone agenda item 14 because she would like additional information. Vice Chair Elliott seconded the motion.

During discussion Darrin Price, General Manager announced he will not be at the August 28<sup>th</sup> meeting and respectfully requested to postpone agenda item 14 until the September 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The motion carried by the following; Ayes: Vice Chair Elliott, Secretary Reinhardt, and Chairperson Ainsworth, Noes: Treasurer Barstow and Trustee Severt.

Vice Chair Elliott made a motion to postpone agenda items 13, 15, and 16. Secretary Reinhardt seconded the motion. The motion failed by the following; Ayes: Vice Chair Elliott and Secretary Reinhardt, Noes: Treasurer Barstow, Trustee Severt, and Chairperson Ainsworth.

Secretary Reinhardt made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Vice Chair Elliott 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.

John Crabtree with Battle Born BMX commented he has been an active community member involved with the Sun Valley Baseball League and the Sun Valley BMX. Mr. Crabtree requested for the District to review the current Bighorn BMX agreement, Mr. Greg Proctor, and its current non-profit status. He reported he researched Bighorn BMX non-profit status and their non-profit status expired in 2011. Subject to NRS Chapter 82 and NRS 318 any General Improvement District that has an operating company or entity on property must be a non-profit. He also reported that the agreement between the District and Bighorn BMX, that the Lessee is required to have involvement with the Sun Valley community. He stated he personally saw the change of hands of the track several years ago and watched Mr. Proctor take the track over enthusiastically, and the last few years the track has gone downhill. He stated he is not before the Board to bad mouth Mr. Proctor, the current track operator, or any of his volunteers. Mr. Crabtree stated he has had several conversations with Mr. Proctor including conversations of him taking over the track at the beginning of next year and that Mr. Proctor was aware of his non-profit status was expired and that the District was aware of the non-profit status too. Mr. Crabtree again respectfully requested review of the current agreement and the non-profit status of Bighorn BMX. He also stated during his own research, he learned that there are four Elementary schools within a two mile radius of the BMX track. There are a total of 2,393 students enrolled in those schools and less than .01% is utilizing the BMX track. He his curious why more individuals are not taking advantage of the track and believes at the end of the District's own research, the District will have its own answer why the track is not being utilized by more individuals. Mr. Crabtree stated that he has all of his Battle Born BMX non-profit paperwork listing himself as president and Jim Severt as a member, that are willing to take over the track. His non-profit paperwork is established and his EIN number is filed, but his non-profit is not filed with the

president and Jim Severt as a member, that are willing to take over the track. His non-profit paperwork is established and his EIN number is filed, but his non-profit is not filed with the Federal Government yet due to the lack of funds. He stated during his conversations with Mr. Proctor, Mr. Proctor stated he had obligations to fulfill for the 2014 BMX season and once those obligations were fulfilled, then the transition of the new track operator could take place with the sanctioning body USA BMX. Mr. Crabtree stated he invited Mr. Proctor to attend the District Board meeting with him, but he never received any reply.

Jeanne Herman announced she is running for Washoe County Commissioner District 5. Ms. Herman stated she would be happy to meet with anyone who may have any questions for her.

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

Darrin Price, General Manager provided a map that shows the current application locations for proposed marijuana dispensaries, labs, and grow facilities of which there are two potential Sun Valley sites. Mr. Price reported the entire report regarding marijuana applications is available on the Washoe County website.

Vice Chair Elliott commented he had three major victories during the last two Washoe County Commission meetings. Mr. Elliott accused Washoe County of illegal purchasing practices, which encouraged Commissioner Jung to investigate the matter. Mr. Elliott complained about an \$80,000.00 transaction that the County did and did not allow for an open public bid or inform the public of the bidding process. He stated during the last meeting he became aware that the County was not going to make their new website mobile device friendly. He believes that more than 85% of viewers are using some kind of mobile device. He stated Commissioner Jung requested that the new County website be mobile friendly. He commented on the marijuana applications and the opening and closure of Sun Valley businesses. Mr. Elliott also commented on the very well attended free swim day and commended the lifeguard staff for quickly resolving a minor dispute that broke out at the pool.

### Item#7. Discussion and motion to approve accounts payable and customer refunds for August 14, 2014.

Treasurer Barstow gave a brief report of the accounts payables for August 14, 2014.

Treasurer Barstow made a motion to approve the accounts payable for August 14, 2014 in the total amount of \$626,673.39. Trustee Severt seconded the motion. After discussion the motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Barstow gave a brief report of the customer refunds for August 14, 2014.

Treasurer Barstow made a motion to approve the customer refunds for August 14, 2014 in the total amount of \$928.12. Vice Chair Elliott seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

#### Item#8. Discussion and motion to approve minutes of July 24, 2014.

Treasurer Barstow made a motion to approve the minutes of July 24, 2014. Secretary Reinhardt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

# Item#9. Update regarding Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District meeting with possible direction to staff.

Darrin Price, General Manager gave a brief report regarding the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District meeting. He stated he attended the meeting with Chairperson Ainsworth, Trustee Severt, Chief Moore, and both Commissioners Weber and Jung. The meeting was to discuss the outstanding billing balance for hydrant rentals with the District. He stated there was no progress from the meeting and both entities thought it would be in the best interest to both of the entities if the attorneys discuss the outstanding billing balance and provide a recommendation how to proceed.

Maddy Shipman, District counsel stated there is not much to report at this time. She stated that she has been in contact with Blaine Cartlidge Attorney for the Fire District and she will update the Board as needed.

Vice Chair Elliott inquired if it would be premature to take any kind of action at this time.

Ms. Shipman responded the Board can act at any time if they would like, she reminded the Board that she is currently working with Mr. Cartlidge regarding the issue.

Trustee Severt stated she attended the meeting with Mr. Price and she agreed that all of the public officials thought it would be in the best interest for the attorneys of both entities to look at the issue and present to both boards their recommendations.

Chairperson Ainsworth agreed with Trustee Severt's comments.

There were no public comments.

# Item#10. Recommendation to approve an Intergovernmental Funding Agreement between Sun Valley General Improvement District and Washoe County regarding Residential Construction Tax for neighborhood park development within Sun Valley for approximately \$127,018.76.

Jennifer Budge, Washoe County Regional Parks and Open Space gave a brief report on Residential Construction Tax. She stated that Washoe County is the fiscal agent for Residential Construction Tax (RCT) collected within the unincorporated areas of Washoe County, including Sun Valley. She stated NRS 278.493 outlines the parameters for the funds to be used for neighborhood park development within the geographic area in which the funds were collected. Washoe County currently has \$127,018.76 in collected RCT for neighborhood park development for Sun Valley. Ms. Budge recommended approval of an Intergovernmental Funding Agreement between Sun Valley GID and Washoe County to transfer the collected RCT funds to Sun Valley GID and to be used towards park development. She reported through the terms of the proposed agreement, approximately \$60,000.00 would be allocated toward the Gepford Park Community Building and the remaining funds of approximately \$67,018.76 would go towards future development at the four Sun Valley Neighborhood Parks.

Darrin Price, General Manager reported that both the Washoe County Parks Commission and the Board of County Commission unanimously voted to approve the Intergovernmental Funding Agreement earlier this month.

Vice Chair Elliott inquired if the funds belong to the District, why did the District have to take aggressive action to request for the funds instead of Washoe County giving the funds to the District at the time of taking ownership of the parks?

Ms. Budge responded she does not recall any aggressive action taking place, she personally spearheaded the agreement with Mr. Price. She reminded the Board and audience members that the RCT are Washoe County Funds and collected in the unincorporated Washoe County area, previously prior to transferring ownership of the parks, Washoe County had an invested interest in those funds to help fund the construction of the Sun Valley parks in addition to other funding sources such as grants.

After further discussion there were no public comments.

Trustee Severt made a motion to approve an Intergovernmental Funding Agreement between Sun Valley GID and Washoe County regarding Residential Construction Tax for neighborhood park development within Sun Valley in the amount of \$127,018.76 dollars. Treasurer Barstow seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

# Item#11. Update regarding the Gepford Park Concession Building with possible motion to award bid to Public Restroom Company.

Darrin Price, General Manager provided a letter from the District's engineer Shaw Engineering, regarding the Gepford Park Community Building. The letter states that Public Restroom Company was the lowest responsive bidder for the Gepford Park Community Building. Public Restrooms Company has submitted a revised bid amount in the amount of \$236,616.00 with the optional cost to insulate and condition (heating/air condition) the concession room for \$9,836.00 and the meeting room for \$11,486.00. Shaw Engineering recommends after review of the proposed bid

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and options, for the District to reward the Gepford Park Community Building to Public Restrooms Company in the total amount of \$257,938.00. Mr. Price thanked both Chairperson Ainsworth and Vice Chair Elliott for taking the time to visit Public Restroom Company onsite to look at how the building is constructed and what the finished product will look like. He reported that staff has diligently started preparing the pad for the building and hopes to have a completed and installed building by October of this year if approved.

Chairperson Ainsworth inquired if the District has started with installing utilities to the site.

Mike Ariztia, Public Works Director responded installing of the utilities is part of the prepping for the building.

Vice Chair Elliott stated he didn't notice the changeover to plastic from copper to save money. He also didn't see a price for the magnetic door locking system. Mr. Elliott stated to his knowledge he still has not seen a floor plan for the building.

Mr. Price responded the Board was provided a preliminary floor plan when the District first started talking about the new building. Mr. Price apologized for not providing a floor plan with tonight's staff report. The building consists of two ADA compliant restrooms, a concession room and a meeting room.

Vice Chair Elliott inquired if there was an estimated cost for the magnetic locks. He recalls from his past experience installing them that they are very expensive.

Mr. Price responded the magnetic locks are very expensive. The proposal for approval tonight includes the pre-wire for future installation of a Securitron magnetic locking door system. He stated the magnetic locking system is a very powerful magnet installed on the doors. The system can be controlled by a timer that would lock and unlock the doors automatically to save on staff time.

Secretary Reinhardt requested clarification regarding the funding of the building, how much will be used by grant funds, Washoe County funds, and District funds.

Mr. Price responded the District was awarded a Community Development Block Grant to help fund a portion of the purchase of the building. The District will use a portion of the Residential Construction Tax funds for the remainder portion to purchase the building. He stated most grants require a match of some kind. The District's in-kind match is approximately \$10,000.00 in time and labor to demolish the old building and prep for the new building.

Audience member Vicky Maltman suggested installing the magnetic locks in the beginning in efforts to save on potential overtime of staff to lock and unlock the doors every day. She inquired how much it would cost to install the magnetic devices.

Mr. Price responded that currently District staff patrols all four Sun Valley parks on a daily basis including weekends. Locking and unlocking of the restrooms would be an added duty during the park patrols. The cost for the magnetic devises is approximately \$15,000.00.

Secretary Reinhardt inquired what would determine the need to install the magnetic devices in the future. The old building had been broken into several times.

Mr. Price responded the magnetic devices would only be for the restrooms. The concession room and meeting room would always remained lock, unless the rooms were being utilized.

Audience member Michael Rider reported the Sun Valley Cal Ripken installed a security system on the last building. He stated if the District does not install a security system on the new building then Sun Valley Cal Ripken would install one again in efforts to protect the building and protect their items stored in the building.

After further discussion Treasurer Barstow made a motion to award the bid of the Gepford Park Community Building to Public Restroom Company in the amount of \$257,938.00. Secretary Reinhardt seconded the motion.

During discussion Mr. Elliott stated it is a big chunk of change but majority of it is not rate payer funds. After seeing and inspecting the old building, the new building is an extremely needed item to bring the park up to standards, which should have been brought to by Washoe County prior to the transferring of ownership.

The motion carried unanimously.

#### Item#12. Review of District's fall pipeline newsletter articles with possible direction to staff.

Darrin Price, General Manager provided a list of proposed articles for the fall pipeline. The articles included a Customer Service Satisfaction report, Summer Recreation recap, Feral Cat Program, Photo Contest reminder, Winterization, Veterans Day celebration, and the various Neighborhood Center programs.

Secretary Reinhardt made a motion to approve the proposed articles for the fall pipeline. Trustee Severt seconded the motion.

During discussion audience member Vicky Maltman requested the District to include the promotion of the Fun Crafts for Kids program in the pipeline.

After further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

## Item#13. Review of District's Rental Properties history and rental application process with possible direction to staff.

Mike Ariztia, Public Works Director gave a brief report regarding the District's rental properties on Prosser Way. Mr. Ariztia provided a report of the rental history and stated the District has had some vacancies over the years and most vacancies average three to four months and one vacancy for seven months. The rental unit that was vacant for seven months received the most damage and the District had to perform a significant amount of work to make it rentable again. This particular rental was rented for six and half years. He stated District staff performs two brief inspections twice a year; one in the spring time to change the batteries in the smoke detectors, change the furnace filter, and to turn on swamp coolers. In the fall staff performs the same inspection but then winterizes the swamp coolers. During the last inspection of the unit in question, it appeared to be in good living conditions. He does not think it was the lack of District staff following up on the rental property; he thinks the tenant could no longer afford to live in the unit. He stated the mother who was the original lessee of the property moved out and left the children there and that is when most of the damage occurred.

Mr. Ariztia reported when a vacancy occurs on a rental property, District staff performs an inspection to assess necessary cleaning and repairs needed. Determination of necessary repairs is then broken down between normal wear and tear items and repairs or cleaning required due to the tenant damage or neglect. Any repairs or cleaning deemed necessary due to the tenant damage or neglect is then deducted from the tenant's deposit. Once the unit has been restored to a rentable status, any remaining deposit is refunded back to the tenant, when a forwarding

address is provided. He briefly went over the rental advertisement and application process. Currently the District advertises through Craigslist and the use of a for rent sign is placed on the property. Staff accepts rental applications, applications are then reviewed (verifying rental history, employment/income and references), and then staff selects the best qualified applicant and signs a rental agreement.

Secretary Reinhardt inquired how come the financial information on the rental application is crossed out and not collected.

Mr. Ariztia responded he is not sure why that portion of the application is crossed out. That portion of the application has been blocked out since the time he has taken over the rental properties. He stated on the last rental property staff did collect financial information from all the applicants and will continue to do so in the future.

Maddy Shipman, District counsel stated she thinks the question is why the District removed the financial portion from the application. Ms. Shipman's opinion, by the District requiring collection of detailed financial information such as banking account numbers creates a liability for the District.

Secretary Reinhardt stated requiring detailed financial information on a rental application is a standard question and practice by most property owners.

Ms. Shipman stated she is only making a suggestion and if the District would like to collect the detailed information, then all applications would need to be stored in a safe and secured location.

Mr. Ariztia inquired if he collects the detailed information, what authority does he have to verify the financial information.

Secretary Reinhardt stated even if the District does not verify the information, it still has the applicant assuming that you are going to verify the information and chances are the applicant will not provide false information.

After further discussion Mr. Ariztia stated it was not his intention to not collect financial information on the applications, but moving forward he will make it a standard practice to collect all applicants' financial information.

Vice Chair Elliott stated he was pleased to hear that District staff makes routine inspections.

There were no public comments.

- Item#14. Review and discussion regarding comparison of benefits, wages, and economies of approved similar entities in selected regions.

  Postponed
- Item#15. Review and discussion regarding District's Personnel Policy 6.8 Health Insurance Coverage (Medical-Dental-Vision) for new hire's with possible direction to staff.

  Darrin Price, General Manager provided an analysis of the District current expense for medical coverage from the District's insurance company. He reported because the coverage cost is dependent on what tier an employee falls under, any potential savings would be realized once the new employee was hired and dependent on what tier they were covered under. He provided various scenarios of potential savings.

Trustee Severt thanked Mr. Price for the information. She stated since the Board is requesting to look at various benefit items for new hires, she believes a workshop would be very beneficial. During the workshop the Board can review the District's current entire benefit package and make a determination of what a new benefit package would look like for new hires.

Both Secretary Reinhardt and Vice Chair Elliott agree with Trustee Severt's comments and suggestion.

There were no public comments.

After further discussion Secretary Reinhardt made a motion to postpone agenda items 15 and 16 and to discuss the District's entire benefit package during a special workshop scheduled for September 23, 2014 at 6pm. Trustee Severt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

# Item#16. Discussion and possible motion to consider revision to District personnel policy 4.12 Career Incentive (longevity).

Postponed

# Item#17. Review and discussion regarding the history of merit and/or cost of living increases to District employees.

Darrin Price, General Manager provided a history of increases to the District employee's compensation for review purposes only.

Vice Chair Elliott stated after speaking with the other General Improvement District Managers', he believes the District's raises have been more than fair. He also performed a quick survey with JOIN which is a state financed agency.

Mr. Price responded the District Board approved eight agencies that the District could compare themselves to, and JOIN was not on the list.

Vice Chair Elliott continued and clarified that the agencies he is referring to are non-governmental agencies; and individuals who went back to work, after being unemployed for a certain amount of time; those individuals took a \$12,500.00 cut in pay. He stated the economy has not fully recovered.

Additional Board discussion ensued regarding the other General Improvement District raise percentages.

There were no public comments.

# Item#18. Discussion and possible motion per District personnel policy 9.3.1; Board to determine percentages for potential wage increase and/or consideration of alternative incentives. Darrin Price, General Manager stated per the District's personnel policy; during June of each year, the Board will determine the percentage calculations on which raises are to be based. Evaluation scores set by the manager/supervisor will determine the individual employee's raise. Mr. Price reported on the District's 2014/2015 budget; the Board approved a 0% increase to the compensation line items within the budget. He stated the Board does have the authority to consider alternative incentives for employees during years they are unable to give raises as a reward for excellent work, performance and dedication (i.e. additional vacation days, one-time incentive pay, or other). Mr. Price stated the 2013 CPI was 2.0% and the 2014 CPI is 1.8%.

Trustee Severt inquired if the District has ever given incentive pay for performance in the past.

Mr. Price responded the District has never approved a performance incentive pay because the Board did not want it to be mistaken as a bonus. He stated he has looked at performance incentive pay options and if the Board was to approve a performance incentive pay, the pay is a onetime pay and it does not affect the budget throughout the year. The Board has always approved additional vacation days that had to be used by the end of calendar year.

Audience member Vicky Maltman commented she noticed on the history of increases for District employees, that majority of the employees received a 3% raise and a Service Technician III and the Field Supervisor did not receive a raise in 2013/2014, but both the Service Technician III and the Field Supervisor received an 8% raise the prior year. She stated she received a 1.5% COL increase after not receiving an increase for three years. She also commented on the compensation increase the General Manager and Public Works Director received when they were converted to a salary position. She stated her opinion is that the Board is more concerned about the high pay that the staff gets and not concerned about the low pay that the rate payers get. The 1.5% COL increase was given to veterans and disabled veterans, retirees will not receive a COL increase. She stated she agrees having a workshop is a good idea.

Vice Chair Elliott stated as a correction to Ms. Maltman's comment regarding employee raises; the use of the term Board is collectively and not individually. He stated he has never voted to approve any of the high raises that were given in the recent years.

Chairperson Ainsworth requested to postpone agenda item 18 until after the review of the benefit and compensation comparison. Ms. Ainsworth reviewed the comparison report and most of the other entities offered a raise to their employees.

Secretary Reinhardt made a motion to include agenda item 18 in the September 23<sup>rd</sup> workshop. Vice Chair Elliott seconded the motion.

During discussion Trustee Severt stated the purpose of the workshop is to look at a benefit package for new hires. Ms. Severt stated she would like to consider reviewing and discussing this particular item with agenda item 14 (benefit and compensation comparison) for current employees.

After some discussion Secretary Reinhardt withdrew her motion and Vice Chair Elliott withdrew his second.

Trustee Severt made a motion to table agenda item 18 and bundle it with agenda item 14 on a future agenda. Vice Chair Elliott seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairperson Ainsworth called for a 10 minute break at 7:54 pm

# Item#19. Discussion and possible motion per District personnel policy 9.3; Board evaluation of the General Manager.

Darrin Price provided a report that listed some of his accomplishments for the fiscal year of 2013/2014 and his goals for the upcoming fiscal year 2014/2015. He stated that his accomplishments are the District's and staffs accomplishments. He stated the accomplishment he is most proud of is continuing to provide safe quality drinking water to the community and the District receiving zero violations from the Federal or State government. He stated he continues to represents the District in various capacities. He stated one of his duties as the General Manager for the District is to oversee the personnel and resources for the District and make sure that staff

is fiscally responsible to the rate payers. He thanked the District's dedicated and professional staff to the District's success.

Chairperson Ainsworth acknowledged Mr. Price accomplishments for the recent Community Development Block Grant, but she was more impressed of the total amount of grant funds Mr. Price has been awarded on behalf of the District over the past four years that equal to \$889,515.00.

Vice Chair Elliott stated one of his goals for Mr. Price is to have the District provide a complete District board packet electronically so that he and other patrons can review all the board information from the District's website, including mobile accessibility.

Mr. Price responded District staff has made the board packet information available electronically. All the staff reports for board meetings is currently available on the District's website and available to the public. In addition, the District's board room is equipped with Wi-Fi so that anyone can use their laptop, notepad, tablet or smartphone during the meeting.

Trustee Severt stated she appreciates Mr. Price's report; he has done a lot over the past year. Ms. Severt stated the total amount of grants that Mr. Price has been awarded is probably double the amount when you factor in the public safety the sidewalks provide. She also stated she provided him with a list of some goals she would like for him to work on over the next year.

Jennifer Merritt, Administrative Assistant commended Mr. Price for a job well done. She reported she has the opportunity to witness Mr. Price interact with officials, vendors, and staff and he is a true professional. He represents the District with compassion and she stated she has never seen someone who cares as much as he does for the Sun Valley community. He is tasked with a lot; he not only completes his tasks, but most of all he completes his tasks successfully.

Mike Ariztia, Public Works Director stated he has been working with and for Mr. Price for several years. He stated he has seen a significant difference in the way the Sun Valley community and the District is perceived over the past years. He believes a lot of that comes from the accomplishments of Mr. Price, he works hard to get the District recognized as an equal partner with other government agencies. He stated Mr. Price has been a great mentor for him.

Treasure Barstow thanked Mr. Price for always providing education for the Board of Trustees. Mr. Barstow thanked him for taking the time to show him how the District's water and wastewater system works.

Maddy Shipman stated she has worked with many boards and managers with the city and the county. She stated the District has a wonderful staff and a very responsive staff, and most companies don't have that unless you have good leadership at the top. She stated the District has a leader with Mr. Price and what she finds most impressive about him is his intuitive memory and knowledge about the District.

There were no public comments.

Chairperson Ainsworth reported after adding up all the evaluation scores, Mr. Price's overall evaluation score is 4.03, above expectations.

Mr. Priced thanked everyone's comments and the Boards comments and goals.

# Item#20. Discussion and motion to approve sending up to 7 employees to the 2014 Ca-NV-AWWA American Water Works Association Fall Conference in Reno NV.

Mike Ariztia requested approval to attend the upcoming CA-NV-AWWA Fall Conference. The conference will be held October 20<sup>th</sup> through the 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Grand Sierra Resort in Reno. Mike reported the District has been invited to volunteer at this year's conference. Volunteers will be responsible for scanning attendees in and out of technical sessions and help man the registration and information booth. In return for staff's time volunteering, staff will receive free registration equal to the time spent volunteering. He requested approval for additional one day registration for six field staff and one full registration for Mr. Price since he represents the District on various committees within the CA-NV-AWWA organization. Mr. Ariztia also reported field staff was approved to attend the Spring Conference in Los Angeles, but made the decision not to go based on the Fall Conference being held in Reno.

Several board members stated they are interested in attending the conference for one day.

There were no public comments.

After further discussion Trustee Severt made a motion to approve staffs request as presented to send six field staff, General Manager, and to include five board members with one day registration to attend the Fall CA-NV-AWWA Conference. Secretary Reinhardt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

#### Item#21. Financial report by William Short.

None

#### Item#22. Legal report by Maddy Shipman.

None

#### Item#23. Field report by Mike Ariztia.

Mike Ariztia reported on the following items:

- Field staff is prepping the pad for the new concession building at Gepford Park.
- The District had a great pool season this year and thanked the lifeguards for their professionalism. There were over 300 attendees at the August 9<sup>th</sup> free swim day. The pool closed on August 11<sup>th</sup>.
- Continues to attend the RTC McCarran/Pyramid Hwy Project meetings. He reported none of the District facilities will need to be moved, the only expense to the District is raising of the manholes.

#### Item#24. Manager's report by Darrin Price.

Darrin Price reported on the following items;

- The Summer Blowout/Free Movie in the park was a success, with approximately 100 attendees. The District was able to raise enough money to cover expenses, excluding staff time. He thanked Trustee Severt for attending the event.
- The Board of County Commissioners approved the bid for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. sidewalk project.
- He provided a newspaper article from the Northern Nevada Business Weekly regarding Nevada expenses for health insurance.
- Gave brief update regarding the upcoming legislative session; currently Washoe County, and the City of Sparks do not have any proposed Bill Draft Requests for consideration, City of Reno might provide a Bill Draft Request regarding penalties for graffiti, and RTC is considering revising its current fuel tax and looking at other ways to generate revenue. Mr. Price also

stated that in the past the District has participated by signing a Mutual Agreement by all entities that collectively we would all work together during the legislative session. When the agreement was discussed this year, each entity agreed there is no need for an agreement for the upcoming legislative session.

#### Item#25. Public Comments.

Joseph Barstow gave a brief update on the Food Pantry; recently he had to turn away three pallets of food from USDA because he received another donation. USDA has agreed to hold their donation for the Food Pantry for a later date. The Pantry has received confirmation from the Grocery Outlet store and Big Lots in Lemmon Valley for donations. He reported that the Grocery Outlet held a Root Beer Float Fundraiser and all the proceeds went to the Food Pantry. He also reported during a recent pie fundraiser, there were a total of thirty-seven pies that were purchased to be thrown in his face. He also reported the numbers for the Food Pantry remain the same with some new faces. Some of the people who had been receiving assistance from the Food Pantry have gotten back on their feet and are starting to give back to the community.

Michael Rider thanked the District and staff on behalf of the Sun Valley Cal Ripken for the new building at the Gepford Park.

#### Item#26. Board Comments.

Vice Chair Elliott commented he attended the recent Sun Valley Cal Ripken Board Meeting because he had rumors that the District was being blamed for the tardiness of the new building. Cal Ripken was very ecstatic and appreciative of Mr. Price and the District for trying to get the building installed as soon as possible. He also reported he is still trying to find a diverse selection for potential Citizen Advisory Board members for Sun Valley. He also reported he continues to work with a University of Nevada Reno student who is preparing a history report on Sun Valley.

Trustee Severt stated she has heard of Battle Born BMX before but was surprised to learn that her brother was a member of Battle Born BMX. She also stated she had heard that Bighorn BMX was having some rider issues at the track and thinks those issues can be discussed at a future meeting or by giving staff direction. She also stated she is concerned about postponing agenda items 14 and 18 to the next board meeting when the General Manager will not be present.

Chairperson Ainsworth reopened agenda item 18

Trustee Severt made a motion to defer both agenda items 14 and 18 to the September 11<sup>th</sup> board meeting. Secretary Reinhardt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairperson Ainsworth reported the Board is back on Board Comments. Ms. Ainsworth apologized for not being able to attend the Summer Blowout, she was hosting a wedding.

Treasurer Barstow apologized for not attending the Summer Blowout, because he was officiating a wedding.

#### Item#27. Future Agenda Items.

Darrin Price reported the following items will be on the next agenda;

- Review of the draft fall pipeline newsletter
- Certificate presentation to the Sun Valley lifeguards
- Community Service Award presentation
- Marketing update
- Review of the BMX Agreement

- · Reader board update
- Update regarding vendor trucks in the parks
- Discussion regarding a District Fun Crafts For Kids Program

Chairperson Ainsworth requested an update from Grady Tarbutton the Sun Valley Senior Service Program.

Vice Chair Elliott requested a report from Mike Ariztia regarding maintenance of the parks and consideration requesting a proposal for future maintenance.

#### Item#28. Adjournment.

Vice Chair Elliott made a motion to adjourn at 8:59 pm. Secretary Reinhardt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.