

Sun Valley G.I.D. Board Meeting Minutes of May 10, 2012

Board Members Present:

Margaret Reinhardt Chairperson Sandra Ainsworth Secretary Robert Fink Trustee

Board Members Not Present:

Linda Woodland Vice-Chair (vacation)

Garth Elliott Treasurer (ill)

Staff Present:

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

Jennifer Merritt SVGID, Staff

Others Present:

Vicky Maltman Audience
Jim Ainsworth Audience
Susan Severt Audience

Tim Neilsen Boy Scout Troop 585, Scout Leader

Nancyann Leeder
Fred Hillerby
Warren Brighton
Joseph Barstow
Nancyann Leeder, Esq.
Fred Hillerby and Associates
Sun Valley CAB, Chairman
H.O.P.E. Church, Pastor

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; Robert Fink, Margaret Reinhardt, Sandra Ainsworth. A quorum was present.

Item#2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Item#3. Motion to approve agenda

Sandra Ainsworth made a motion to approve the agenda. Robert Fink 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.

Sun Valley CAB Chairman Warren Brighton commented the Sun Valley CAB will be meeting May 12, 2012 at 9 am at the Sun Valley Neighborhood Center. Warren also commented there is free fishing at Pyramid Lake this weekend.

Susan Severt commented the Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful Annual Clean Up Day is May 12, 2012. Sun Valley has two sites one on Chimney Dr. and the other is located at 5th Ave. and Chocolate Dr., volunteers are still needed for both sites. Susan also reported the Food Pantry of Sun Valley is holding their second annual fundraiser at Sizzler Steak House located on Prater and McCarran May 17, 2012 from 4 pm until 9 pm. Sizzler will donate 20% of the proceeds to the Food Pantry of Sun Valley if you mention the promo Food Pantry.

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

None

Item#7. Discussion and motion as to payables and customer refunds for May 10, 2012.

Trustee Robert Fink gave a brief report of the accounts payable and customer refunds for May 10, 2012.

Sandra Ainsworth made a motion to approve the customer refunds for May 10, 2012 in the amount of \$1,675.94. Margaret Reinhardt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Robert Fink made a motion to approve the accounts payable for May 10, 2012 in the total amount of \$136,999.65. Sandra Ainsworth seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Item#8. Discussion and motion to approve the minutes from April 26, 2012.

Robert Fink made a motion to approve the minutes of April 26, 2012 with the following correction; page 6 item 10 change "liable" to "responsible". Sandra Ainsworth seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Item#9. Presentation by Troop 585 on Community Service.

Tim Neilsen Scout Master for Troop 585 commented the Boys Scouts are present tonight to earn their Community Service Merit Badge. Each of the Boy Scouts introduced themselves; Senior Patrol Leader Dakota Lund, Assistant Patrol Leader Kevin Ramirez, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader Brandon Ramirez, Scout Christian Culver, and Tender-Foot Jonathan Rodarite.

Item#10. Presentation by Nancyann Leeder regarding her Request for Qualification proposal for substitute legal counsel.

Darrin Price commented the District's legal counsel Stewart White recently retired and the Board recently approved Maddy Shipman who was the back-up legal counsel to become the District's primary legal counsel. The District is now looking for back-up legal counsel to replace Maddy Shipman. At the last meeting Garth Elliott had suggested Nancyann Leeder as a candidate for back-up counsel. Nancy is present tonight to answer any questions the Board may have.

Nancyann Leeder gave a brief history of her legal experience. She has been an attorney for 34 years, before that she was a reporter for the Reno Gazette Journal. She has been a trial attorney for most of the time, working with the City of Reno attorney's office. She represented the Traffic Board, Police Department, and she was drafted to the City Council as a back-up only. Most of her work has been trial work, a mediator, and currently she is a hearing officer for Washoe County and a Justice of the Peace for the City of Reno.

Margaret Reinhardt inquired if Nancyann worked in Carson City as a State Industrial Insurer.

Nancyann commented not really, she was the representative for the workers as a Nevada attorney for injured workers. She was with that department for 22 years. Again all of her work has been primary trial work.

Robert Fink inquired what Nancyann's interests are or if she belongs to any organizations.

Nancyann commented she likes to hike, backpack, camp, and fish. She used to play softball and was a part of track.

Robert inquired where Nancyann received her law degree.

Nancyann reported she went to Southern Illinois University and did her undergraduate school at the University of Reno Nevada.

Darrin inquired if Nancy is familiar with the local government and what's going on and how they operate.

Nancyann commented she reads the newspaper everyday and listens to the news.

Robert inquired with Nancyann if she was provided a copy of the agenda in advance would she prepare and research any of the agenda items that might be controversial.

Nancyann reported she would always prepare for meetings and research items as needed.

Darrin inquired if she was aware of the time commitment that is associated with the District. The District meets twice a month on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month. As a substitute legal counsel you would be notified on very short notice if services are needed.

Nancyann is aware of the meeting schedule and she does not see a problem with the short notice.

Darrin commented that the District has another interview scheduled for the next board meeting and anticipates the Board will make some kind of decision regarding a back-up counsel in June.

Item#11 Discussion regarding the District representation on legislation.

Darrin Price commented that Fred Hillerby is on his way and Darrin requested if the Board could postpone discussion regarding Fred Hillerby until he is present.

Sandra Ainsworth made a motion to move item 11 after items 15. Robert Fink seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Item#12. Community Garden update from the Boys and Girls Club of Truckee Meadows.

Darrin Price reported both Mike Wurm and Heather Sam with the Boys and Girls Club of Truckee Meadows had prior obligations and could not attend the meeting. Heather Sam director of the Sun Valley Teen Center provided a letter updating the progress of the Community Garden as well as provided a calendar of all the work she has scheduled for the Community Garden. The update reported the Teen Center has continued to weed the lot and the raised garden beds. For the planting season the beds have been prepared for planting of carrots, broccoli, cauliflower, kale, lettuce, tomato, cucumber, summer squash, onion, strawberries, watermelon, cantaloupe, and pumpkins. The teens will be responsible for watering the garden and weeding the garden on a regular basis. The garden schedule is from May through September.

Margaret Reinhardt commented she appreciated the update and the schedule has been well thought out.

Item#13. Discussion and possible motion regarding request from Vicky Maltman to waive fees for the use of the Neighborhood Center for a youth craft/art workshop.

Vicky Maltman reported her Women's Club would like to have a craft event at the Sun Valley Neighborhood Center on June 16, 2012 from 9 am until 12 pm for the youth. There would be three instructors and seven or eight other assistants helping the youth with their craft projects. Some of the craft projects include making bookmarks, air dry clay and some other youth related projects. Vicky commented she can get the insurance as needed but requested the Board to consider waiving all the fees associated with the rental of the Neighborhood Center since it is a free event to the youth in the Sun Valley area.

Robert Fink inquired if Vicky Maltman and her instructors would be required to be background checked per the District's Volunteer Policy.

Mike Ariztia commented since the event is not a District event and the District is only renting the Neighborhood Center to an individual, it is their responsibility for the safety and welfare of the children and not the District's.

Darrin Price commented Vicky and her instructors would not be acting as District Volunteers.

Sandra Ainsworth made a motion to approve Vicky Maltman's request to use the Neighborhood Center for a youth craft event, with the waiver of all rental fees, but insurance is still required. Robert Fink seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Item#14. Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding proposed articles for the Summer Pipeline.

Darrin Price provided a list of proposed articles for the upcoming Pipeline and they include; thank you and acknowledgement to Stewart White, announcement of the new Aquatic Supervisor and Customer Service Supervisor, park update and the different organizations who use the park, Fun Sunday, Health and Safety Fair and articles related to water conservation and leak detection. Darrin inquired if the Board had any articles they would like to have in the Pipeline.

Margaret Reinhardt reminded staff about the Community Service Award article.

Jennifer Merritt commented she received a request from a public member regarding a possible article on some senior artists at the Senior Center.

Darrin commented he would like to possibly report on the recent letters the customers are receiving from an insurance company regarding insurance coverage on water lines from the meter to the home. He commented that the Board could submit their article requests to him after the meeting if needed.

Robert Fink inquired if the District wants to put something in the Pipeline regarding the candidates for the Sun Valley GID Board. He thinks that all the candidates should be featured at the same time and allowed the same amount of space.

Darrin commented he is not comfortable with answering that question and would like to have counsel address that question. Darrin suggested making it an agenda item for discussion.

Item#15. Discussion and possible motion to approve staff attending the Certified Pool Operators class May 22nd and May 24th, 2012 in Reno, Nevada.

Mike Ariztia requested permission for him and Erica Burnett to attend the Certified Pool Operator (CPO) class May 22nd and May 24th, 2012. The class will be held in Reno and the total cost to attend \$670.00. The CPO certification is a requirement to operate a pool and the class provides valuable information regarding the chemicals, water chemistry, pumping and health requirements. Mike is requesting Erica the District's Aquatic Supervisor to become CPO certified since she will be the one in charge at the pool and him as a backup.

Robert Fink made a motion to approve Mike Ariztia and Erica Burnett to attend the CPO class in the total amount of \$670.00. Sandra Ainsworth seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Item#16. Financial report by Bill Short.

None

Item#17. Legal report by Maddy Shipman.

None

Item#18. Field report by Mike Ariztia.

Mike Ariztia reported on the following;

- The construction of the Family Dollar Store is going smoothly. The contractor performed the jack-and-bore under Sun Valley Blvd and there were no problems.
- He has been working with the insurance company for reimbursement of expenses for the repair of the fence located on 7th Ave. and Sun Valley Blvd due to an accident.
- The landscapers have started up the irrigation systems at all the parks and will be repairing some of the grass area on the soccer field.
- The lifeguards will be cleaning the pool in the coming weeks in preparation of the pool opening June 7, 2012.

Item#19. Managers report by Darrin Price.

Darrin Price reported on the following:

- The Boys and Girls Club of Truckee Meadows recently had a clean up day at the Sun Valley Community Park as well as made some minor repairs inside the Teen Center.
- All of the Lessee's at the Neighborhood Center are still happy with the District and their programs are doing very well.
- He attended the Staff Working Group and a popular topic of discussion was the upcoming legislation. Several members of the Western Regional Water Commission don't think there is a need any longer for the WRWC and some of the members are no longer attending the WRWC meetings. The WRWC was formed by legislation and it would have to be dissolved by legislation too. Darrin's concern is if the WRWC was to go away were would the 1.5% for Regional Water planning go. It was discussed that the 1.5% would go to Truckee Meadows Water Authority. Darrin doesn't like that idea since the District does its own planning for the Sun Valley area. His other concern is regarding the Washoe County Article 422 requiring the District to donate any development water rights to Washoe County and then lease them back from the County for 99 years. There is still some discussion who will become the Lessor to the District for the water rights once the merger happens between TMWA and Washoe County.
- He provided a Customer Service report showing the monthly payments, late notices, and disconnects for April.
- Stewart White was able to stop by the District office to deliver all of the records but won't be able to attend a board meeting until July.

Item#11. Discussion regarding the District representation on legislation on which could include;

Darrin Price reported this item was requested by a Board member. Based on prior discussion during the meetings, Maddy had created some options for the Board to consider regarding Fred Hillerby.

Fred Hillerby with Fred Hillerby and Associates commented he is pleased to say he has represented the District for 21 years. It has been a great opportunity for him and hopes that the Board is not dissatisfied with his representation over the years. He inquired if that was the issue or if it was a budget issue that Board would like to discuss his agreement again.

Robert Fink commented the person who wanted to discuss the issue is not here tonight.

Margaret Reinhardt inquired if the Board should wait to discuss Fred Hillerby's Service Agreement until there is a full board.

Fred Hillerby commented he could attend the May 24th board meeting in hopes the board member who requested the item will be back to address their concerns.

Robert Fink made a motion to delay item 11 until May 24, 2012 at a 6:30 pm Time Certain. Sandra Ainsworth seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

- A. Possible termination of current agreement with Fred Hillerby and Associates resulting in no representation.
- B. Possible amendment of current agreement with Fred Hillerby and Associates for coverage only during legislative session or for more reporting.
- C. Possible termination of current agreement with Fred Hillerby and Associates to allow consideration of other proposals on future agenda.

Item#20. Public Comments.

Vicky Maltman commented she was able to obtain insurance for the Meet the Candidates for May 19, 2012 if Patricia Lancaster would still like to hold it. Vicky commented in order for her to get the liability insurance to cover the event it, the event will be sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Susan Severt commented that all the candidates that will be on the primary and general election ballot have been sent an invite to attend the Meet the Candidates. She has not received formal confirmation back from some of the candidates.

Item#21. Board Comments.

None

Item#22. Future agenda items.

 Discussion regarding an article in the Pipeline introducing the candidates for the Sun Valley GID Board.

Item#23. Adjournment.

Robert Fink made a motion to adjourn at 7:10 pm. Sandra Ainsworth seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.