

**Minutes of the Gardnerville Ranchos General Improvement District Board of Trustees  
Meeting held on Wednesday February 3, 2021 @ 5:00 p.m. at 931 Mitch Drive, Gardnerville,  
NV**

**Zoom Meeting**

**Present:** Greg Reed, Beth Cook, Mike Rowe, Michael Bennett and Ramon Naranjo from USGS.

**Trustees Present:** Brad Newlon, Leann Teter, John Sheridan, Bob McDowell and James McKalip

**Public Comment:** None

**Pledge of Allegiance led by James McKalip**

**Approval of Agenda:** Bob McDowell motioned to approve the agenda with corrections. Leann Teter seconded the motion. All ayes. Agenda approved.

Public Comment: None

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. For possible action to review and approve General Counsel's summary of tortious claims for 2021

Mike Rowe stated that there were no claims against the District in the year 2020.

**John Sheridan motioned to accept General Counsel's Summary of Tortious Claims for 2020 and make it part of the District's records. James McKalip seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion passed.**

**Public Comment:** none

2. For possible action: Board discussion to authorize the District Manager to join Douglas County as co-funder of a USGS proposed study at a cost not to exceed a total of \$100,000 spread equally over the next three years.

Greg presented an updated 2012 USGS study looking at the impacts to the Carson watershed based on updated population projections. Ramon Naranjo from USGS was present to answer questions. Bob McDowell questioned if USGS is going to follow the County Master Plan regarding projecting population. Ramon Naranjo replied that they will go with the projections provided by the County. Bob would like to know if the public will be allowed to give comments. USGS will periodically be giving presentations to the County to convey what they are doing. Greg stated that Town of Minden and Indian Hills GID will not be participating in the study. The idea of the study being developed by USGS is to capture the declines in the aquifer that have occurred over the last 30 years and then look at the consequence of adding additional wells to a system that is already stressed. Brad Newlon asked if GRGID will have any oversight of the data if GRGID joins in on the study. Is there any benefit for the residents of the Ranchos for participating in the study? Greg stated that participating in the study is important because it would show that GRGID is part of being a proactive part of the solution and not the problem.

**Bob McDowell recommends that the Board authorize the District Manager to join Douglas County as co-funder of a USGS proposed study at a cost not to exceed a total of \$100,000 spread equally over the next 3 years. John Sheridan seconded the motion. Brad Newlon and Leann Teter voted nay, Bob McDowell, John Sheridan and James McKalip voted aye. Motion passed.**

Public Comment: Ron Bush would like to see periodic updates on the plan to the public.

3. Possible action to accept the interconnection study prepared by Lumos & Associates for the intertie between GRGID and the Gardnerville Water Company.

Greg Reed reviewed the report developed by Lumos & Associates.

**Leann Teter motioned to accept the interconnection study prepared by Lumos and Associates for the intertie between GRGID and the Gardnerville Water Company. James McKalip seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion passed.**

Public Comment: None

4. Possible action to authorized the District Manager to apply for funding from Carson Subconservancy District for the intertie project with the Gardnerville Water Company  
**John Sheridan motioned to authorize the District Manager to apply for funding from the Carson Water Subconservancy District for the intertie project with the Gardnerville Water Company. Bob McDowell seconded the motion. 4 ayes. 1 nay (John Sheridan). Motion passed.**

Public Comment: Ron Bush voiced concerns about receiving funding and the Board deciding not to go with option 2, will Gardnerville Water Company not support the connection at the Riverview/395 location. He would like wording to say that the District has not made a decision on which option to construct.

5. Possible action to authorize the District Manager to sign a contract with Lumos & Associates for the design of an above ground facility at the Long Valley Booster Station.

Mike Bennett presented a proposal for the design of the Long Valley Booster Station. This design should satisfy the deficiencies identified by the Nevada Department of Environmental Protection.

**Bob McDowell motioned to authorize the District Manager to sign a contract with Lumos and Associates for the design of an above ground facility at the Long Valley Booster Station after land use is secured. James McKalip seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion passed.**

Public Comment: None

6. Possible Board action to approve the proposed budget considerations. Greg reviewed his list of 2021/2022 Budget considerations.

**James McKalip motioned to approve the proposed budget considerations. Bob McDowell seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion passed.**

Public Comment: None

7. Possible action to authorized the District Manager to attend the American Water works Association's Annual Conference in San Diego in June at a cost not to exceed \$3,500.00. The AWWA convention is held annually. The conference this year is being held in San Diego from June 13<sup>th</sup> thru June 16<sup>th</sup>.

**John Sheridan motioned to authorize the District Manager to attend the AWWA Annual conference in San Diego in June at a cost not to exceed \$3500.00. Bob McDowell seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion passed.**

Public Comment: None

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Minutes: Leann Teter motioned to approve the minutes of the January 6, 2021 Board meeting. John Sheridan seconded the motion. All ayes. Minutes approved.**

Public Comment: None

**Check Summary: Leann Teter motioned to approve the check summary for the month of December 2020. James McKalip seconded the motion. Summary approved.**

Public Comment: None

#### **REPORTS**

District Engineer: Mike Bennett reviewed the January tracking schedule.

District Counsel: Mike Rowe prepared the claim summary for this month's Board Meeting.

District Manager: Greg Reed reviewed his Manager's report

#### **REPORTS**

Bob McDowell inquired about where the agendas are posted.

John Sheridan: Nevada League of Cities has partnered with the Nevada Association of Counties to put together a bill draft request and what they plan to address the legislature regarding Ad Valorum taxes. He would also like to see an agenda item on the GRGID Community Plan going back to the BOCC for approval and incorporated into the Master Plan. He would also like to see an item on the agenda for snow plow contract.

James McKalip: Jim would like to see better ways to communicate with the residents of the Ranchos. Possibly a newsletter and/or upgrading the Website.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

James McKalip motioned to adjourn the meeting. Bob McDowell seconded the motion. All ayes. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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Beth Cook, Acting Secretary