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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SEPTEMBER 16, 2020 – 9:00 A.M. VIA ZOOM

President Brown called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, September 16, 2020. Roll call followed.

DIRECTORS PRESENT

(via videoconference): **Brown, Cravens, Ives, Moll, Witherspoon**

DIRECTORS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT:

(via videoconference) **Zangara, Rosenthal, Ryan, Staudenmayer, Martin, Bailey**

OTHERS PRESENT

(via videoconference): **Austin Cho, Bill Moally, Tim Fulton**

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Ives moved to approve the following consent calendar items:

- August 19, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes
- Approval of Claims and Demands – Paid and Unpaid

Director Moll seconded, roll call was taken. Yes: Directors Brown, Cravens, Ives, Moll and Witherspoon. Noes: None. Absent: None.

RECURRING BUSINESS

MEETINGS ATTENDED BY NCSD BOARD MEMBERS

Director Ives attended the Northstar Property Owners Association meeting. Director Cravens attended the Airport meeting.

MOUNTAINSIDE BUILDERS UPDATE

There was no update for this agenda item.

NORTHSTAR CALIFORNIA/VAIL UPDATE

There was no update for this agenda item.

NORTHSTAR PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION (NPOA) UPDATE

Tim Fulton provided the following update for NPOA:

- General Manager (GM) Mike Staudenmayer's District Tour and Community Risk Reduction Chief (CRRC) Jason Gibeaut's presentation at the annual NPOA Labor Meeting were well received.
- NPOA is looking into adding signage at the dumpster site.
- Fines are being issued for violations at the dumpster site.
- Budget was doubled to address defensible space work for NPOA. NPOA will look to increase these amounts for the future.

NEW BUSINESS

TAHOE TRUCKEE SIERRA DISPOSAL RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE SERVICE AGREEMENT

GM Staudenmayer stated the District has not had a formal contract with Tahoe Truckee Sierra Disposal (TTSD), the company that services the region's solid waste collection through a contract with Placer County. Although general terms of service were understood by the District and TTSD, execution of an agreement was warranted to codify service levels and terms of the service provided. District Staff negotiated the terms of the proposed agreement over the course of several months. Considerations have been made to limit the extent of a necessary rate increase to provide an acceptable level of service. The duration of the agreement is for one year and will automatically renew if both parties are in agreement.

Director Moll moved to approve Tahoe Truckee Sierra Disposal Residential Garbage Service Agreement. Director Cravens seconded, roll call was taken, Yes: Directors Brown, Cravens, Ives, Moll and Witherspoon. Noes: None. Abstain. None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

ANNUAL CONTRACT WITH TAHOE WORX

Fire Chief Sean Bailey stated the contract with Tahoe Worx covers assistance in meeting with current OSHA requirements.

Director Ives inquired about the increase in cost. Chief Bailey stated that it has been several years since there was any increase. In addition, Tahoe Worx has been assisting the Fire Department with COVID-19 testing. All agencies under this contract received the same increase.

Director Ives moved to approve Annual Contract with Tahoe Worx. Director Witherspoon seconded, roll call was taken, Yes: Directors Brown, Cravens, Ives, Moll and Witherspoon. Noes: None. Abstain. None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

NORTHSTAR FIRE AMBULANCE FEASIBILITY STUDY

Chief Bailey stated the 2014 Northstar Community Services District Strategic Plan dictates that the fire department evaluates ambulance transportation services to the community of Northstar every five years. The last ambulance feasibility study occurred in 2015. Both the Truckee Fire Protection District and North Tahoe Fire Protection District have expressed concerns about revenue implications if Northstar Fire Department (NFD) were to provide ambulance service. Given the current wildfire threat, unknown effects of COVID-19, and the cost of providing ambulance transport services compared to potential revenue, the recommendation to the Board is that NFD not provide ambulance transport services at this time. It is further recommended that the study should be re-evaluated within five years.

DIRECTOR REPORTS

There was no update for this agenda item.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT – STAUDENMAYER

GM Staudenmayer provided the following report:

- The USACE Colonel had a meeting with Congressman McClintock regarding the Martis Valley Trail. It was indicated that the District will need a 404 Permit due to disturbance of water of the US. It was previously determined that the District did not require this permit. It was also communicated the USACE would require a supplemental NEPA process, which is the federal equivalent of the CEQA. The NEPA work should conclude by mid-January.
- Placer County accepted a bid for the Martis Valley Trail 3B trail segment. Work will be completed by Teichert.
- District Counsel Austin Cho will prepare a report for the Board on the status of the CFD litigation for presentation at the October meeting.
- The Forest Fuels/Green Waste Utilization Study continues to move forward. GM Staudenmayer is working closely with Northstar California/Vail to keep them informed of potential opportunities.
- The District has submitted projects in Placer County Water Agency's financial assistance grant program database.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief Bailey provided the following report:

- Usually, the District has less than five Red Flag warnings a year. Currently, the fire department has issued approximately nine Red Flag warnings.
- The Tahoe regional area, including Sparks, Reno and Carson City, has deployed a significant number of resources to assist with the California wildfires.
- Work is being performed on evacuation routes, including Northstar Drive and Big Springs.
- In defensible space efforts, 385 property inspections have been performed. This exceeds the goal of 350 inspections for the year.
- The FD is working with NPOA and other common space landowners to address defensible space needs for common space.
- For short-term rentals, the FD will require the owners to include information on evacuation routes and how to be notified about evacuations in the unit.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT – MARTIN/RYAN

District Engineer (DE) Eric Martin and Utilities Operations Manager (UOM) Matt Ryan provided the following report:

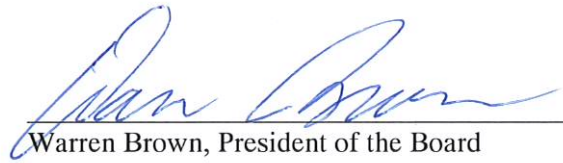
- The Forest Fuels/Green Waste Utilization Study with the US Forest Service Wood Innovations team is anticipated to be completed within the next few weeks. The alternatives for consideration by the Board is expected to be narrowed to three potential opportunities.
- The cleaning of both the 8" and 12" mains was completed. Inline electromagnetic data was not able to be collected due to a collection pig failure. The inspection pig became lodged in the pipe near the Highway 267 Lift Station and was dislodged with the use of special extraction equipment. Operations staff and SFE Global Staff were able to remedy the situation within 24 hours.
- Sierra Nevada Construction completed construction on all 14 Liberty Utilities Vaults on Highlands View Road. DE Martin is coordinating with SNC to replace guardrail along Highlands View Road and Ridgeline.
- UOM Ryan shared the Operations crew is working on defensible space at the District's corporation yard and received guidance from the FD.
- Litter has increased on the trails, requiring more attention from Operations staff. The amount of dog waste bags have also noticeably increased.
- Zone 4 construction has been significant during the summer months.
- NPOA has been fining property owners for violations at the dumpster site.
- Working with the Northstar Golf Course to tailor water consumption to reduce stress on the pressure reducing valves.

ADJOURNMENT:
The meeting adjourned at 11:04 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Julie Zangara, Secretary of the Board



Warren Brown, President of the Board