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**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
NOVEMBER 18, 2020 – 9:00 A.M.
VIA ZOOM**

President Brown called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. Wednesday, November 18, 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, Jerusha Hall, John Jewett**

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Ives moved to approve the following consent calendar items:

- October 21, 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.

MOUNTAINSIDE BUILDERS UPDATE

John Jewett provided the following update for Mountainside Builders:

- Currently zero inventory remaining
- Phase III of the Boulders construction continues

NORTHSTAR PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION (NPOA) UPDATE

There was no update for this agenda item.

NORTHSTAR CALIFORNIA/VAIL UPDATE

Jerusha Hall provided the following update for Northstar California/Vail:

- Opening day is November 20, 2020
- Operations planned under the Outdoor Recreation Guidelines for the State of California
- Safety plan includes a reservation plan and reduced capacity on the mountain
- Health screenings to be completed daily by all employees prior to arrival to work
- No sold out days in the new reservation system
- Employee foundation is donating money to an employee food assistance program
- A part of an incentive to draw employees to the resort, Northstar employees and dependents do not have to make reservations.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL TO SIGN A HAZARDOUS VEGETATION MOU WITH PLACER COUNTY

Fire Chief Sean Bailey stated the Hazardous Vegetation MOU with Placer County will allow the Northstar Fire Department to receive Placer County's help in further enforcement, abatement, and cost recovery to negate or relegate the District's ordinance to a lesser degree. The proposed MOU will provide the Fire Department with additional means to compel a property owner to bring their property into compliance. Following legal review by District Counsel and surrounding fire districts' legal counsel, changes were requested and incorporated into the MOU.

Director Moll moved to approve the signing a Hazardous Vegetation MOU with Placer County. Director Ives seconded, roll call was taken, Yes: Directors Brown, Cravens, Ives, Moll and Witherspoon. Noes: None. Abstain. None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

DIRECTOR REPORTS

There was no update for this agenda item.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT – STAUDENMAYER

General Manager (GM) Mike Staudenmayer provided the following report:

- Local hospital is preparing for vaccine distribution via ordering appropriate refrigeration systems, and coordinating with regional agencies on potential locations for distribution.
- To date the District is up 6.26% in property tax year over year with 125 transactions within Northstar this year, which is a record.
- The District's workforce has remained largely healthy throughout all stages of the pandemic.
- The District is applying for another \$500,000 grant from the TOT.
- The District's biomass utilization initiative is currently waiting on US Forest Service internal review of the draft feasibility report. District staff continue to research several grants to fund a potential project.
- Staff is working with Tahoe Truckee Sierra Disposal to potentially implement green waste bins for next season.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief Bailey provided the following report:

- Local burn ban was lifted November 10
- Forester Joe Barron burned 40 piles on November 16
- Northstar Fire Department sent an engine to assist with Reno's Pinehaven fire in the Caughlin Ranch area. Approximately 12 structures were lost in the fire.
- Defensible space staff completed 404 inspections exceeding the seasonal goal of 350.

- In April, any properties in violation of their defensible space compliance will receive a reminder letter. The property owners in question received an extension for compliance due to the pandemic.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT – MARTIN/RYAN

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

- District-wide water consumption increased year over year for single family residential customers from 134 MGal is to 162 MGal.
- IT Server Replacement Project has been completed with a ten-gigabit backbone to transfer information between the servers at the Administration Building and Corporate Yard Office.
- Operations staff has completed the transfer to winter activities and snow removal.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION REPORT – 1ST QUARTER FINANCIALS – ROSENTHAL

Director of Finance and Administration (DFA) Greg Rosenthal provided the following report:

- In order to foster a greater understanding of the components of the quarterly financials, DFA Rosenthal provided an in-depth overview of the construct of the report.
- The District invested in the California Employers’ Pension Prefunding Trust (CEPPT) at a low point in the market and has seen gains as a result of the timely investment.
 - The initial investment for the Miscellaneous classification of \$2,600,000 is now sitting at approximately \$3,000,000.
 - The initial investment for the Safety classification of \$1,000,000 is now sitting at approximately \$1,050,000.
- The Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) investments have realized a quarterly gain of \$25,000.
- Through the first quarter, no anomalies were present and the activity reported is what would be anticipated for this time of year when timing impacts are considered.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 10:44 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Julie Zangara, Secretary of the Board



Warren Brown, President of the Board