

**Round Hill General Improvement District  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
September 16, 2008**

Tuesday

6:00pm

**1. Meeting Called to Order. (Side A/c#01)**

Meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Glen Smith.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance. (Side A/c#02)**

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Trustee Fagen.

**3. Roll Call. (Side A/c#06)**

Vice Chairman Glen Smith, Trustees Steve Teshara, Wes Rice and Chuck Fagen were present. The District Manager, Secretary, Counsel and Engineer were present and Chairman Joe Francoeur was absent. Residents Tom & Bonnie Lawell, Donald & Mary Tweten, Brenda Meek, Herb & Donna Wheeler, Earl Swenk, Mike Murphy, Al & Julie Bowra, Craig Zager, Rita Bienz and Carmen Santee were also present.

**4. Public Comment. (Side A/c#60)**

Mr. Murphy asked the Board when the crack sealing throughout Round Hill would be completed. Manager Reed stated that the crew had started the project and hoped that it would be done before the end of the summer season.

**5. Approval of Agenda. (Side A/c#94)**

Motion to approve the agenda as submitted. Teshara/Rice 4-0 approved.

**6. Discussion and possible action to accept a change to the Verizon Lease and a relocation of the Verizon Cellular Tower based on input from Round Hill residents. (Side A/c#96)**

Manager Reed reported that he attended the TRPA public hearing held on September 4, 2008 to discuss Verizon's application to erect a Cellular Tower at the District yard. At the meeting, several Round Hill residents voiced their concerns about the placement of the Cell Tower. Some of the concerns were the potential health effects, the scenic impact, noise level and the possible loss in property values in the Round Hill area.

At that meeting, Manager Reed and Kevin Brennan of Verizon explained the reasoning behind the location chosen but were willing to go back and try to find an alternative location on District property. They agreed on relocating the tower to the North East side of the property, moving it another 160 yards, approximately 300 feet from the nearest resident. Another TRPA meeting was scheduled for September 18, 2008 after the District's Board meeting to request approval on this agreed upon alternative location.

Virtually all residents present voiced their opposition to the cellular tower being placed anywhere at the District yard.

Trustee Teshara stated that the issue brought before the Board was whether to relocate the Tower on the property or not as the District is already under contract with Verizon to continue with the project.

Trustee Rice stated that the District yard has had a cellular tower on site for 13 years and no residents have ever commented on the effects of property values or health to date.

Manager Reed stated that his recommendation was to relocate the tower to the North East side of the District's property.

Motion to approve the relocation of the Tower to the North East side of the District yard with direction to the District Manager to speak for the residents of Round Hill regarding their opposition and get information regarding the scenic and RF issues to the residents so they can more fully understand the literature and information that is available. Teshara/Rice 4-0 approved.

**7. Discussion and possible action to approve the transfer of Certificate of Deposit funds from Colonial Bank to Morgan Stanley. (Side B/c#197)**

Manager Reed reported that RHGID has a Certificate of Deposit held at Colonial Bank in the amount of \$885,656.23. The maturity date is today, September 16, 2008. He recommended transferring this CD to Morgan Stanley based on discussions at the August 19, 2008 Board meeting.

Trustee Rice stated that RHGID needs to protect its assets with the current economic situation. Morgan Stanley would serve as an intermediary between RHGID and other banking institutions and maintain more than 20 CD accounts to keep them all insured under the \$100,000 FDIC limit. Morgan Stanley would manage the accounts so that the RHGID staff would have only one bank to deal with. District staff would continue to monitor these accounts and routinely report the status of the funds to the Board of Trustees.

Motion to approve the transfer of Certificate of Deposit funds to Morgan Stanley in the amount of \$885,656.23. Fagen/Rice 4-0 approved.

**8. Discussion and possible action to authorize the District Manager to enter into an agreement with Valic/AIG for the creation of a District 457 (b) plan for district employees. (Side B/c#250)**

Motion to table this item for a future Board meeting. 4-0 approved.

**9. Discussion and possible approval for the District Manager to attend a MicroPaver training session in Phoenix, AZ from December 8-12, 2008. (Side B/c#257)**

Manager Reed stated that the District had previously purchased the MicroPaver software system as an Asset Management tool to assist the District in maintaining its roads. Training is essential to the proper utilization of this tool and there is nobody currently working at the District that has knowledge of the program.

There is a two part training session available and the cost to the District would be \$2,598 if the sessions were taken separately. The two sessions taken together would cost only \$1,999.

Trustee Teshara suggested that the District Manager and one staff employee go to the training sessions.

Motion to approve the District Manager to attend the MicroPaver training sessions and if staffing and budgeting were available, have another staff member attend the training with him.

Teshara/Fagen 4-0 approved.

**10. Consent Calendar. (Side B/c#330)**

District Secretary Patti Acri reported that she had been working with the auditors on the year end financial and Public Employees Retirement System audits. The audit should be available for presentation to the Board at the October Board meeting.

Motion to approve the consent calendar as amended. Rice/Fagen 4-0 approved.

**11. Staff Reports. (Side B/c#399)**

Manager Reed reported that John Fassmann accepted and started September 8, 2008 as an Operator I with RHGID. The excess fill accumulated in the District yard had been removed by Rapid Construction and staff is working on crack sealing the roads throughout the District.

A new “snow indicator” had been installed at the District office. This will allow the operators to check snow conditions from their homes and prevent “false alarm” trips to the office in the middle of the night.

The aging SCADA system continues to be a priority for the District. Manager Reed has scheduled meetings with two competitors for this project and hopes to have proposals at the next Board meeting.

Mr. Reed and District Counsel Pat Fagan, continue to follow the progress of the Public Utilities Commission regarding the marking of sewer laterals. Mr. Reed reported that the latest proposed language is still being opposed. The District Board opposes the implementation of these rules against the principal that the District does not own the laterals and therefore should not be responsible for marking them.

Manager Reed has reviewed and commented on both the Lake Tahoe Source Water Protection Risk Assessment and the Draft Technical Memorandum Districts GIS Assessment Wastewater Infrastructure Partnership in conjunction with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Jen Mahe of Allison MacKenzie reported that she had reviewed the applications required from Morgan Stanley and found them to be applicable to the District’s needs for transferring funds into fully protected accounts.

Vice Chairman Smith reported that the Nevada Tahoe Conservation District may possibly be relocating to the back of the Safeway Mall. The Fire Safe Chapter is anxiously waiting for the California Clearing House funds to be released in order to begin scheduling work days for the crews.

Trustee Teshara stated that some of the neighbors have organized a political action committee named “Citizens for a Fire Safe Community” to look at a tax measure on the November 2008 Ballot allowing Round Hill residents to keep in place the Zephyr Fire Crew. This crew has been trained to do the curb side chipping, help residents with their defensible space evaluations and brush cutting. He also reported that a meeting would be held at the Fire Station on September 17, 2008 at 6:00 pm if anyone were interested in more information on the matter.

**12. Correspondence. (Side C/c#65)**

None

**13. Adjournment. (Side C/c#66)**

Move to adjourn made by Trustee Rice/Fagen.

Attest:

---

Glen Smith  
Vice Chairman

---

Wesley Rice  
Treasurer