

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SOUTH TRUCKEE MEADOWS GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA**

TUESDAY

5:00 P.M.

APRIL 24, 2007

PRESENT:

Bob Larkin, Chairman
Bonnie Weber, Vice Chairman
Jim Galloway, Trustee
David Humke, Trustee
Pete Sferrazza, Trustee

Nancy Parent, Chief Deputy County Clerk
Katy Singlaub, County Manager
Melanie Foster, Legal Counsel
Rosemary Menard, Director of Water Resources

The Board met in regular session in the Commission Chambers of the Washoe County Administration Complex, 1001 East Ninth Street, Reno, Nevada, and conducted the following business:

07-14STM AGENDA

In accordance with the Open Meeting Law, on motion by Trustee Humke, seconded by Trustee Weber, which motion duly carried, Chairman Larkin ordered that the agenda for the April 24, 2007 meeting be approved.

07-15STM MINUTES

On motion by Trustee Humke, seconded by Trustee Galloway, which motion duly carried, Chairman Larkin ordered that the minutes of the regular meetings of January 23, 2007 and February 27, 2007 be approved.

07-16STM MANAGEMENT REPORTS

6:46 p.m. Chairman Larkin temporarily left the meeting.

Trustee Galloway asked about the water quality for Well No. 9 and whether it would be usable in the water treatment plant. Based on recent staff discussions, Water Resources Director Rosemary Menard believed the recommendation would eventually be to not use Well No. 9 as a separate well but to process it through the proposed South Truckee Meadows Water Treatment Plant. She indicated that staff was still working on a proposal for the Board's review. In response to additional questions by Trustee Galloway, Ms. Menard replied that water from Well No. 9 would probably be

treated for arsenic removal at the treatment plant rather than pretreated at the well site and indicated that was already built into the budget and design of the proposed treatment plant. She stated the design was for a surface water treatment plant, mainly to operate on the creek systems for Whites Creek and Thomas Creek water supplies, but also to accommodate arsenic treatment for supplemental groundwater when the creek systems were unavailable. Trustee Galloway asked if the technology for treating arsenic would be different than that used in a previous pilot program. Ms. Menard believed so but was not entirely sure. She understood that the technology in use at the wellhead was not operating as expected when the pilot study was designed. Trustee Galloway asked for additional information at the next meeting as to whether the arsenic treatment for the proposed water treatment plant was a proven technology. Ms. Menard pointed out that arsenic treatment was being done successfully at the Longley Lane wastewater treatment plant and the membrane filtration process being developed for the South Truckee Meadows Treatment Plant would use similar technology.

Trustee Humke asked for clarification about water from Well No. 9 being sent to the surface water treatment plant. Ms. Menard stated it was a proposal that was still under discussion. Trustee Humke wondered about the policy implications and stated the Local Managing Board was on record as not wanting to use surface water at all. Ms. Menard indicated she had not been aware of that. She understood they had surface water rights, which could not be used without a treatment plant. Ms. Menard commented that, once the new treatment plant was in place, their view might change because there could be a way for them to have surface water treated at a lower cost. She indicated she would follow up and investigate the issue further with Steve Cohen, Chairman of the Local Managing Board.

6:51 p.m. Chairman Larkin returned to the meeting.

Trustee Galloway recalled that, at some point in the past, the South Truckee Meadows General Improvement District (STMGID) would have preferred to trade surface water rights for groundwater rights with Washoe County because they either had to trade them or find some way to treat the water for conjunctive use. He believed the Division of Service Agreement provided that STMGID would pay when water was taken from the County system and the County would pay when water was exported to the County system. Trustee Galloway wondered if the proposed water treatment plant would be able to treat water from Well No. 9 in the fall season when the streams were low. Ms. Menard agreed to check into it and provide more information.

On motion by Trustee Humke, seconded by Trustee Weber, which motion duly carried, Chairman Larkin ordered that the following reports be accepted:

1. Customer Water Usage Report – March 2007
2. Well Level Report – March 2007
3. Work Order Summary – March 2007
4. Financial Report – January and February 2007

- Minutes of Local Managing Board regular meeting of February 20, 2007.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There was no response to the call for public comment.

BOARD, LOCAL MANAGING BOARD AND STAFF COMMENTS

Trustee Humke indicated that Steve Cohen, Chairman of the Local Managing Board had communicated his apologies that he could not attend the meeting.

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6:55 p.m. There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

ROBERT M. LARKIN, Chairman
South Truckee Meadows General
Improvement District

ATTEST:

AMY HARVEY, County Clerk and
Ex-Officio Secretary, South Truckee
Meadows General Improvement District

*Minutes Prepared By:
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Deputy County Clerk*