#### **Minutes**

Indian Hills General Improvement District
Board of Trustees Meeting
District Office
3394 James Lee Park Rd. #A
Carson City, NV 89705
September 18, 2024
Regular Board Meeting
6:00 P.M.

**Trustees Present:** Chairman Robert Stulac, Vice Chairman Garcia, Secretary/Treasurer Siegman, Trustee Dunham, and Trustee Lufrano.

Trustees Absent: none.

Staff Present: General Manager Chris Johnson.

**Others Present:** District Counsel Chuck Zumpft, District Engineer Colin Surge, Residents Lynn Dement, Kathy Waters, Sharon Buckley, Kathryn Clark-Ross, Ronny Lynch, Joseph Meagher, and Sharon Silvas.

# 6:00P.M. - Regular Meeting

## 1. Call to Order

Request that Cell Phones and Pagers be turned off for recording purposes. Chairman Stulac called the meeting to order at 6:00PM.

- **2. Pledge of Allegiance:** Led by Trustee Siegman.
- **Public Interest Comment:** Resident Lynn Dement This is just a little item of difference. Lynn Dement, 1020 Mica Drive. We're going to do a Halloween contest. Halloween fall thing. The hundred yard deck decor contest. Breaking it into two areas east and west of 395. And Kathryn is going to assist me in giving out prizes to the two areas.

# 4. Approval of Agenda

Chairman Stulac stated absent objection he approves the agenda. No objection. Item passed, agenda approved.

# 5. Reports to the Board:

## a. General Manager Report

General Manager Chris Johnson reviewed his report with the Board. So, you've got my report. Brooke's report. The water and wastewater reports in there. I'll go over briefly because I have a couple things to add to it. The camera trailer, if you remember, we talked about camera trailer for the for

the sewer system. We picked it up. The guys sent a rep up to train our guys on it, and they've already ran some sewer line during a test, burned a CD, and it works wonderfully. It is amazing. So, we're really excited. And the fact that now we're going to be able to get down there and start looking at our sewers and seeing where our trouble spots are and making sure that we're ahead of the ball on that. So, and it's so if you do see it out there, a trailer out there that says Minden, Gardnerville Sanitation District on it, that's probably us, but we figured we'd leave their markings on there just in case we made someone mad. So. I'm kidding. We will. We will be removing their markings and updating with ours. The locks for the tennis courts. We finally got her back. She's going to be up here. That. I'm sorry. Next week. Next week? She's sending a sample out to us, and we're going to test it. And once it's done, we will get those ordered in and get them installed.

Chairman Stulac stated that's what the keypad on them.

General Manager Chris Johnson: stated that's with the keypad on it. And it requires no power, which is exactly what we need for our tennis court so that we're not trying to run power or worry about losing power out there. It's completely they're completely mechanical locks, but they'll have a pin number that they can plug in there and it'll open it.

Chairman Stulac stated and then on the weekends it'll work. Because like I came the other weekend and played and there was this lock on there, but someone was in there and they had put a I guess there was a temporary little procedure, as you know, that they had. So that's good that we're going to get that. What's the estimated time on getting the combo. I mean.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated I'm not sure how long it'll take to get them. Hopefully, they've got them in stock, and we'll be able to get them relatively quick. We just don't want to order them before we have one. She's sending us a demo so that we can put it up there and make sure that it's going to work on the fence before we order them, because they are they are kind of pricey, but they'll be worth it. So, thank you. We've had more vandalism. So, they went through and busted a bunch of sprinkler heads over at North Park and South Park, and they went through and just beat up the dog park, the new equipment. They actually bent the teeter totter in half to the point that it broke it broke it in half. So, our parks guys straightened it out and they did a pretty amazing job of straightening it out. But when the when they bent it in half, it actually split the sides of the teeter totter. So, our guys went up and got some steel still in stock and they can't. They can't weld it in there because this is aluminum. But they did use some nice long steel stock and some self-setting screws and got that reinforced. It's nice and strong now and got most of it repaired. So, when they went to find to look at the, the trail cam that we had hidden over there someone our, our nice little citizens that did this took the trail cam, pulled the flash card out of it, pulled the batteries out and through the trail cam over into the field. So we are So

on that note, while we're on the note cameras, I have an appointment tomorrow morning with a company up in Gardner or in Reno. That's going to provide me with some quote on some camera systems for our parks. And I also have been working with Brooke down at the community service. Douglas County Community Services, and she's giving me a couple companies that she's worked with. So, we will have cameras up in these parks.

Chairman Stulac stated just a question before you go to the next section on how many sprinklers did, they break this time in North and South Sunridge combined? Was it 1 or 2, or was it?

General Manager Chris Johnson stated Oh, it's like twenty-six. They went through and just smashed them. They took rocks and smashed them. So. Yeah. They did some damage.

Chairman Stulac stated well, I brought that up. I just we discussed this before at the July board meeting, if the board members remember, I was bringing up the comment about changing when we irrigate the parks because I came to the knowledge through being at the summer kickoff party with one of the parks people that works here. And he says, well, you know, they can't break them and kick them unless they're on. And so, they usually come on at 10 or 11 at night. And so, then they can just go by and, you know, and then they can kick it. So, Chris, let's just do what we did we. Because I know you were going to talk to the water guy who sets the clocks and maybe set it like at 8:00 or five in the morning because they're out at between ten and midnight, like when they knock the trash cans in our neighborhood over the other night. They're out.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated that they don't just damage them on their own. That's inaccurate. That's it's easy for them to kick them when they're up. But this one, they took rocks and went around and actually smashed the sprinkler heads in the ground.

Chairman Stulac stated Where it's flushed to the ground.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated they took big pavers and just smashed the sprinkler heads. So, it Yeah, there's it doesn't matter what time we're watering. The kids are just out there on a rampage.

Chairman Stulac stated I thought they were kicking them when they were up.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated it was during when they were going out to the school. We adjusted them. So, the big time that we noticed they were kicking was when they were going out to the school bus, because right at that time the sprinklers would run early morning, the stems would be sticking up. And it was right after that time that we would have broken

sprinkler heads. And it was right after that time that the kids went out to the school bus.

Chairman Stulac stated because at North Sunridge, which is close to my house, I know they were running at 10 p.m.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated they run multiple times throughout the night. Yeah.

Chairman Stulac stated I just thought it was a simple way to try to reduce the damage. But if they're taking rocks now or stones and smashing the head of it, I just thought, you know, it's a no cost thing to run them at 8 p.m. because people are still out and about walking the neighborhoods, and they're not going to do it then or less likely.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated less likely to anyway.

Chairman Stulac stated but if they're taking rocks to it now and it's just the other question, Chris, on the cameras, I thought a few months ago we were ordering cameras for the park, but.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated No, no, I've been. So, if you remember, I budgeted for the cameras at \$20,000 into this year's budget, which started July 1st. And so, I've started my research on getting the cameras and finding out what we can do with that 20,000.

Chairman Stulac stated I see. You have the meeting tomorrow then. What's that then you have the meeting tomorrow.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated Yes. I've got one call tomorrow, but I've got three other companies that I'm meeting with. The problem that we're facing with these and it's, it's a big problem. We have big parks. We have, for example, if you remember, when I put the ring cameras out on James Lee, we installed a microwave that microwaves are our internet connection out to the to the potties out there, the bathroom. From there we put a Wi-Fi router in. And then that communicated with the ring cameras that were out there. So, I could actually control the ring cameras and use them down at like the ball field down here. We have no internet running internet access to all these different areas and to the parks. It's getting very, very costly. And even using home internet you know, the size of the parks, for example, we had we've discussed potentially having a citizen or a resident put a ring camera on their back fence watching the park. It's not going to do the trick. Ring cameras are designed for smaller ranges, and trying to cover the entire park with a ring camera isn't going to do it.

Chairman Stulac stated I thought we were putting a camera right by the skate park, where we're having the continued kind of vandalism. We never got one above the skate park. No.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated when we budgeted for the 20,000, we put that on hold so that we can just go with a full system instead of trying to piece things together. You will notice that the Douglas County Sheriff's trailer is out there again. They brought the camera trailer out again.

Chairman Stulac stated Chris, for explaining that.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated do you have any other questions on that? So that leads me into the next part, which is Monday nights. So, the guys noticed yesterday afternoon that someone shot out a couple of the lights out of the ballpark. We noticed that there was tempered glass shattered all over the place, and we were just. Where did they bring the car window? Over here and bust it? And then I looked up, and I'm sitting there. I'm like, where do we have tempered glass around here? And I'm like, oh, no. And I looked up and sure enough, they're missing out of the lights. But the great thing is, I'm so excited about this. They pulled out and left a CO2 cartridge lying on the ground. In order to put a CO2 cartridge inside of a BB gun, they had to handle it. So, I went back last night and picked it up with a rubber glove, put it in a bag, and I went and told CSI about it and called the sheriff. The Sheriff came out this morning. He's like, we'll run prints on it. So also, with the trailer here, they've got the guy who runs the trailer. He's going to be looking at it. And I'm really hoping that we can get something off of that one, because I'll tell you now, changing those lights, that's not something where you just climb up there and screw in a light bulb. Yeah, that's we either need a 200foot crane to lift that thing, or we need like a 90-foot scissor lift or not a scissor lift, a man lift. So, it's not cheap to fix that. And I'm going to guess that if they broke the lens with this BB gun, they'd probably damage the light that's inside there, too. So, yeah, if we can get the owners, we will. We will. The young person will or might be an old person, I can't tell, but they will be held fully accountable for it. So, I'm excited that the fact that they have the CO2 cartridge laying there?

Chairman Stulac stated Yeah, maybe we can get reimbursed for the if it's depending upon the age of the child. But sometimes, just like when kids start a fire and they're underage and the parents can be responsible, maybe we'll be able to recoup some funds from these.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated so items along with notes of DCSO also DCSO. I feel like I've been talking to the sheriff's office a lot lately, which is good because I like those guys. They're good people. But I talked to Ron down there and about our speeders up on Mica Drive, and he said he said, well, we haven't had any increased calls on it. And I said, well, I've discussed that, that they need to call. I said, and he said, well, get someone

out there. He says, we will increase the presence out there. So that is on their radar. And, you know, I just one quick call to call to him and they're going to increase the presence out there. Next month we have the five-k on the 19th, which is exciting. It's going to be another community event, so it's fun to host those events and have them have events that kind of draws people into Indian Hills and lets them see what we have up here, see the Northern Territory's up here. As far as it says, I'm still actively researching grant opportunities.

Trustee Lufrano stated real quick on the 5K, so it says the 5K is next month, but then at the end it says there will also be a course shorter course. So is it a 10K or a 5K or no.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated that there's A 5K and then there's like a 2K for families.

Trustee Lufrano stated Oh okay.

Chairman Stulac stated As a shorter course for the family. Yeah. The shorter.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated the smaller course is going to be for families. I don't know it's like just over 2k or something. I was looking at the 5K course and it's going up the hill.

Chairman Stulac stated so up through the switchbacks and stuff.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated Yeah. It's going up the bike trail which if any of you haven't had the opportunity go check out those trails. They are very, very well done. I really enjoyed those trails, but they're going to be running up those courses, up those trails. And there's some pretty narrow little trails at points, and they're pretty steep at points.

Trustee Lufrano stated is it only for runners?

General Manager Chris Johnson stated no. I mean, people walk.

Trustee Lufrano stated It's okay. Yeah.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated Yeah. So, every 5K I've ever done you, it always, you know, there's the start and the runners take off. And then 90% of us just walk leisurely and the runners are back in before we even make it up to the hill.

Trustee Lufrano stated so people that want to sign up go to Carson Valley Trails Association.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated yes and the link for that is also on our web page. So, you can go to our web page and sign up for it there.

Chairman Stulac stated Those trails are really great for mountain biking I use them. They are. They've been done very nicely. And then you get out the outside end of the south end of the hills here, and you get a great view of Genoa and the valley down there. I mean, it's spectacular.

General Manager Chris Johnson: So, before they put in these bike trails, I used to walk those trails up there. And I had my little doggie and I would track mine. I'd walk 5 to 6 miles up there around and then come back down. She probably covered 12 to 15 because she was running all over as I was walking. But yeah, you can walk all the way down to the south end, and when you get down to the far south, you're looking down on our wastewater plants, so you can see our wastewater plant there and the full valley out in front of you. They are beautiful trails. Now that they've put the bike trails out there, they're marked so you can see if you get there's a lot of trails apps out there that you can get for seeing trails, and it'll show you the trails that you're on. But also, there's signs up there showing you if you turn left, you're going for eight miles. If you turn right, you go in for two miles. So, they are great trails. They're definitely a benefit for the community. So as far as the grant opportunities, I need to change that. And because I did have a great talk with Brooke down at Community Services, today is about the residential construction tax, and there's a pretty good chunk of change in there. Not enough to build pickleball courts. She didn't think there was enough really a lot to do pickleball courts in there. And her board is kind of a pickleball courted out because there's pickleball courts all over the valley now. But a couple of things that we did discuss were potentially replacing our playground equipment because our playground equipment is getting pretty old out there and getting some worn. And also looking at resurfacing our basketball court out there. And we had talked before about removing one of our fields, potentially the softball field, which is an unused field, it's underutilized. And that's just grass that we maintain for maybe a dozen people use it every year. But we have had a number of people in the community express their interest in a bike park, you know, like a BMX track out there, a bike park where people can do that. With all of the bike trails meeting right here, I think that's a great location for a bike park, for people to come in off the trails and hit the bike park, and it would be a great draw for people. So, we're I'll talk with her and but if you have any ideas, by all means I'd love to hear them. And for stuff that we'll apply for with the RCT grant.

Chairman Stulac stated Chris, did someone come in from the CVTA, the Carson Valley Trail Association, and talk about a bike park? Because I ran into a guy on the trail. I'm actually a volunteer now for Carson Trail Association, where you build trails, and you maintain them because I hike a lot, and I hike a lot and bike on. And I said, well, you know, go in. And he was talking about using the dirt area where we line up all the roll offs for the recycling events. I said, I don't know, you know, Chris uses that whole area. He used that whole area for the drop off process, you know, and he says, look

at this big dirt. Yes. He said, there's this big dirt field there. Did he come in and talk to you?

General Manager Chris Johnson stated no, he didn't. I know I've spoken with a number of people about putting a bike park in here. We've looked at different areas. So, we've looked at like right down here, the exercise trail down in this area, down here, putting the bike park out there potentially because this is all our open land out there. But again, my idea for the bike park is to get rid of that grass. Yeah. I really don't want to water any more grass that we're not using.

Chairman Stulac stated so at the, at the play field, where, where.

Trustee Dunham stated where is the grass that you're going to put the bike park in.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated the Softball field. Right here. Just right here. I think that's a good idea. Keep it all here. The nice thing about it is, one of the reasons the softball field doesn't get utilized is there's no parking is far back from the softball field. You really have to walk a distance to get there, whereas by park they're just going to ride their bikes up to it. So, but we'll I'll go ahead.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated there was a new team or a coach that was bringing their girls softball here. Did he drop out or is he still.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated they didn't officially drop out. They just faded away.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated they faded away. Okay.

Chairman Stulac stated just kind of disappeared. Very much like the soccer team that used to play out on the soccer fields.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated so they're not a factor then?

General Manager Chris Johnson stated no, no. And we also talked about, I mean, worst case scenario, if it came down to where they came back and said, no, we want to use the softball field, and they really did push for it. Then we can turn that soccer field into a bike park, which is where we originally talked about putting in pickleball courts. I still think that is a perfect place to pick up, put in pickleball courts, and I'm not giving up on that yet, but I think having it up on the softball field is a is a more ideal location for a bike park. Chairman Stulac stated yeah, I was going to make that because I know a little while back, we were talking about taking the grass out of the soccer park. But so, you're saying now, Chris, the baseball field is not being used either?

General Manager Chris Johnson stated No, not the baseball field is the softball. The softball field. Over. Behind. Oh, behind. Behind the tennis court. Behind the tennis courts.

Chairman Stulac stated oh. That one. Oh, okay. I got you.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated field one.

Chairman Stulac stated field one. Okay. Thank you for clarifying that.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated because the baseball field is used a lot.

Chairman Stulac stated okay. That's what I thought.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated field two is the home field for the Sierra Lutheran baseball team.

Chairman Stulac stated thanks for clarifying that.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated also that football teams play out there. They practice and play out on field two all the time also. So. Okay. So yeah, I'm excited about that. I will definitely keep you guys posted and bring it back to the board for further discussion on what we want to do as far as with those residential construction tax grants ones. So any other questions on my report?

Chairman Stulac stated Chris, I just had a question on the grants, and I know we haven't got any. You know, there's not grants out there that we've gotten for any upgrade or replacing the roads, but have we been able to apply for any or is there not even any to apply for?

General Manager Chris Johnson stated there was one that I was trying to get into, which is the Nevada. Now I'm going to run a blank on it. Which one? It was due back at the beginning of September, and I just I found it, and it was shocking. It was like, hurry and get it done. And I could not get it done in time. So, but I am on her mailing list now. So, when the next grant opens up, she'll email me so that we can apply for that. And but yeah, it's there's I haven't found any to apply for at this point. Our RCT grant and our and the Nevada grant and I haven't checked lately on the, the state revolving fund, so we'll be checking back on that one also.

Chairman Stulac stated I was thinking, I thought maybe because Stacy went to that training and she I know you got so much going on, I thought she would be was going to be like, well, I guess it's I guess if you found one she would apply or is she looking to.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated So the training that she's been going through is grant writing. So, once we do find a grant that we're eligible for, we can apply for Stacy's training is how to write the grant to make us to give us a better edge in it, to make us more competitive and to present it in a way that is more desirable to the grant provider.

Chairman Stulac stated Actually, a couple of weeks ago, I took it upon myself to go online and just start googling and searching for because I think everybody knows one of our biggest issues with infrastructure is our roads. And I came to a lot of dead ends, but I looked online and saw a fair amount of funding from the Department of Transportation at the federal level. But they're in all these categories. In a lot of them were not related actually to, you know, there was safety grants and other things, but not much money that I saw anywhere. So, I know what you kind of got a feeling what you search and see. It's not much there, but there was a lot of pots of money that were for different topics and specific things that I won't go into detail. But anyways, I just was curious if we had any, if we happen to have got one that we were able to apply for, but not at this point.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated it's funny how this job has changed my perception of the world in ways. And for example, I went to Hawaii a two weeks ago and I was like, man, our roads are great because those are some beat-up roads over there. So everywhere I go, I'm like, I'm observing how other people's roads look, and I see everywhere we go, the roads are all beat up everywhere you go. except for 395 through Gardnerville now, it's like the newest road. And Reno is a perpetual cone zone. I mean, I don't I can't remember the last time Reno didn't have cones in it, so they. But I haven't seen any new roads up there. Yeah. Anyways are there any other questions on my report?

Vice Chairman Garcia stated just a quick on the RTC pickleball court. Not enough funding. So, what's RCT? Sorry. Residential construction tax? Yes, I know that, but I won't say it right. Ever. Thank you for correcting that. The. What's the hill to climb on? What they have versus where we need to get to.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated that's a great question because I haven't given up hope on the pickleball courts yet. The one thing that that discourages me or is discouraging to me, I should say it's not discouraging me, but it is a discouraging it's discouraging is the fact that they just used use the RCT to put in pickleball courts down at the community center, up at the lake, out in Topaz. Topaz estates. So that's what she meant when she said her board is kind of pickleball out. So, I don't know how easy of a fight that's going to be for them to provide us with money to put pickleball courts at the north end of the valley. I you know, Brooke and I talked about it, and she agreed. And when I say Brooke, I mean community services director, she agrees. She's like, pickleball is the fastest growing sport. And I told her, I said, Brooke, my biggest one of my biggest goals of this is to get rid of this

lawn up here. Like we're we have underutilized fields out there that are costing us money to maintain for no reason. It's costing me man hours. It's costing weeding or fertilizing all the watering that we do. And it's a waste. So, I haven't given up on that yet. She said for four pickleball courts, we would be looking at \$600,000. I don't know that I trust that number. If it was, if it was undeveloped, bare earth, then yeah, I can imagine there would probably be costs, but I don't think she understands that. We've got a pretty much built-up area ready to go up there with that court.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated so 600 K for four. But what funds were available?

General Manager Chris Johnson stated 360. Oh, and that doesn't mean we're getting all that.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated No, no, no. But that's okay. So that it's feasible then at least maybe even get a starter, get two courts in, and have the base for another. Or get some community funding.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated yes. And that's what I meant when I said I haven't given up the fight on that yet, but you know, I it's something where I was going to reach out to this guy and say, hey, are you calling? How much are we looking for? I'm looking at to put in a couple pickleball courts, and.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated I wouldn't be. Well, I think tennis courts, pickleball courts adjacent to each other might be. And since we're looking at possibly displacing the women's the girl's softball field anyway, they're in close proximity to each other. That would address a lot of any of the possible noise complaints from neighbors hearing the constant dinging of, yeah, pickleball. You know, it's a whole different noise in tennis.

Chairman Stulac stated Yeah.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated Yeah. So, and that's I, I happen to be dating a pickleball addict, and so it's, I mean, I can tell you where all the pickleball courts are right now and I'm not a pickleball player,

Vice Chairman Garcia stated, and I know they are probably sick of hearing about pickleball, but why should we be left out? That's our that's our argument from it.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated and actually I've made that comment before. So, at a chamber board meeting. The one my one concern with that softball field is, again, there's no parking. The closest parking is over here or by the dog park, which there's eight spots right there at the dog park. Ten. And that then you have to walk up into the field from there. Or you park over here on the cull de sac and walk in. So, there's just no parking close to that

field, which is why I kind of see it as a great place for a bike park. Take that out. And they unload their bikes here and ride their bikes into it. So, the pickleball courts, being here on the soccer field, one of the draws to that is one of the parking, but also two, we have the lights from the ball field which we could tie into to put lighting out onto the pickleball courts. Also, we have the snack bar there. So, in a long-term dream. Things like that, having twelve pickleball courts and being a location for tournaments, having the snack bar there, the restrooms and being able to host tournaments there.

Chairman Stulac stated plus having the tennis separate from the pickleball courts is probably a good thing because if you're playing tennis, I play both actually. But when you play tennis, if you had the bing, bing, bing right next to you and you're serving and hitting, it's probably better that they're that they would be apart if you had them on the soccer field. But just a comment on that.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated well, we need to keep in mind the people that live around the pickleball courts.

Chairman Stulac stated is there many people close to that soccer field?

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated everyone that you see right there is within earshot.

Chairman Stulac stated I thought you were okay. I thought that there was a good amount of dirt between the end of that park.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated I don't think there's enough. There's not enough. If you think it bothers tennis players, think of how it's going to bother people that don't play at all.

Chairman Stulac stated So you don't like the soccer location of it.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated I don't mind the soccer out there at all. Or the baseball field.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated The sound is it's far enough away. Specifically, if you put sound dampeners up on the fence, I don't think it would be that much of an issue, quite honestly. I mean, like I said, I've, I've been all over two pickleball courts, not by choice. And, and there have been a few times we'll, we'll pull into the parking lot and I'm like, where are they. You know, I can't see the park them. And she's like, they're over there in that far corner over there, and they're close by, but I can't hear them. You can't hear them until you get up on them. But yeah. So, it's definitely something we keep an eye on. But you know, again, this is pretty far down the future for us.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated Keeping the lights into the night.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated I mean well remember that that's only going to happen on reservations just like our ball field. So, our park regulation says our parks close at sundown.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated typically people Well, but not that ball field back there.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated that's by reservation.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated Yeah, that's until 10:00.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated So any other questions on my report?

Vice Chairman Garcia stated no, sir.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated kind of getting off into the weeds here. Let me see. One thing I do want to point out. Brooks report. This is really neat. And I say this because one of my keys, one of one of the most important things to me as a manager is professional development and personal growth inside of my employees. I firmly believe that employees that are growing and getting more involved in their job have more, have more responsibility and more training to do that. They will be better employees, and it will cost us less money in the long run. So, Brooke, who is our HR manager, was invited by the general manager of Pool Pact to join their board. So, their HR oversight committee. That is awesome. I and she came into me and said, so I was asked to join the HR Oversight Committee and do it. Absolutely. And she goes, well, our meetings and I'm like, we'll work around your meetings. So, it's a great opportunity for her. And it says a lot about a lot about Brooke and her skills and what she does and the fact that they're asking her to do that. So, I just wanted to make sure everyone saw that, that.

Chairman Stulac stated I saw I wasn't sure if it was you or Brooke that got the offer. So, thanks for clarifying that. When I read it, I was thinking, I guess that's her section. That's her administrative report, I see.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated nope. Any other offers to board for boards that I get these days? I'm like, no thanks, I got enough on. So other than that, things get a lot of questions about accountant report for the wastewater, water, wastewater. Everything's going smoothly. Knock on wood. We should have our that new pump back by the end of this month. In fact, in the next couple of weeks we should have it and get it installed. So, lift station one, lift station two, pump three. We'll be back to full functioning order.

Chairman Stulac stated Well, we'll get to public comment submitted on these, but does anybody else from the board have a question or comment for Chris? Anybody else on the manager reports there?

General Manager Chris Johnson stated did you want to give public comment after the engineering?

Chairman Stulac stated yeah, I'm going to those next.

#### 1. Administrative

General Manager Chris Johnson reviewed the report to the Board.

#### 2. Water

General Manager Chris Johnson reviewed the report to the Board.

# 3. Wastewater

General Manager Chris Johnson reviewed the report to the Board.

# b. District Accountant Report

General Manager Chris Johnson reviewed the report to the Board.

## c. Engineer Report

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated this month I've been coordinating with Chris on a CIP update proposal, which I think we talked about in the last meeting. We're still working on some details of that, but it's likely coming to the board in their upcoming meeting. We've been dealing with the North Hobo Tank project, specifically the bid opening, which I'll talk about more in item number six. I did receive plans from Stanka Consulting for the Lily Court project.

Chairman Stulac stated The improvement plans for what Court?

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated Lily Court. The tentative map came through here a few months ago. I did get their improvement plans back, so I need to review those. I haven't yet. They should be fairly simple. And I don't believe they've changed anything other than adding the surface improvements that we require from them. The sidewalk, curbing, and gutter. And then I noted Chris's pickleball dream, and I'll check on pricing and get him something in the next few weeks. So, he has a rough idea of how.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated It's a fine line between dream and nightmare. Yes. Okay.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated that's it for me. Unless there's any questions.

Chairman Stulac stated but just related to the park. So, Chris, the \$360,000 is earmarked for us or potential.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated no, no. It's available. For North County, the residential construction tax fund.

Chairman Stulac stated Okay. Thanks for clarifying that. And then thanks, Colin.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated Thank you, Mr. Chair. I will add that with that 360 available, I'll be going for every penny we can get.

Trustee Dunham stated yes. when you said North County, does that include the Johnson Lane area also or is that strictly.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated I think it includes Johnson Lane area or Stephanie, I'm not sure how far North County is according to community development. Well thank you.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated Could you could you find out for us?

General Manager Chris Johnson stated sure. Yeah.

**d. Attorney Report** District Counsel Chuck Zumpft stated he has nothing to report.

**Public comment:** Resident Lynn Dement: stated just with all the funding that you hope to get from the county, is that earmarked for James Lee, or is it could it be used for any of the parks in Indian Hills? That was my question. And also, as far as playground equipment here, I think it's a great idea, but I'd like to comment. We need something for older children, not just the toddlers and the six-year-olds. Maybe a rock-climbing wall. Something of that nature. Something for older kids to attract them into doing healthy things if they're capable of that. And also, I'm assuming we have insurance for this to cover the cost of this vandalism. I don't know. I've never heard it mentioned in meetings. Also, I think a security guard, as we've talked about before, might be cost effective rather than the cost of all the cameras and keep and having to keep replacing them.

Chairman Stulac stated would you restate that again, Lynn? What did you say?

Resident Lynn Dement stated a security guard.

Chairman Stulac stated a security guard. Okay. Thank you.

Resident Lynn Dement stated rotate around each of the parks for a couple hours every night. Can you cover everything? No, but you can probably hire somebody for that. I don't remember if it was 20,000 or 60,000 for the cameras, but you could probably pay somebody to be a presence here. And I think that would be a little bit more effective, since they are damaging everything that's put out there. And as far as the sheriff's department and the speeding and it's I think I'm a little tired of hearing that we, as the public are, are responsible for what I think is a sheriff's department job. I have called them on three occasions. The other night and I'm sure you heard it, too. Next door to you, the five. We used to call it souped up cars out in the driveway and on the side of the road. Zooming round and round and round the block. Loud as can be. Call the sheriff's department. An hour later, I got a message. If you. What is it you want me to do? And if you want to call back, push

one, which I did. Never heard back from them. I called because I almost got hit in the crosswalk. Well, you know you don't have a tag number. So, what do you want me to do? I think there's a little too much faith put into how much they really care about speeding up there.

Chairman Stulac stated kind of wrap it up Lynn, because it's been over three minutes and there will be more agenda items, but anything else quickly.

Resident Lynn Dement stated I think that's it.

Chairman Stulac stated Thank you. Okay. Thank you.

Resident Kathryn Clark-Ross stated I just have a question because I was in a meeting and on that Monday, Chris and they're still bringing up the \$50,000 that we got for the dog park is that going to be, are we going to be billed for that in this 360,000, or was it that taken care of prior? Do you understand that ask can you answer that right now? No. Well, yeah, because they said. We're still. Going to pay back.

Trustee Dunham stated I can this is what the predecessor, John Lufrano, told me, that that fund was coming from all the north end of the county, Stephanie, and Johnson Lane. And with the permit for the new houses, there was money being taken from there that was set in that pile. It wasn't part of anything else other than the new permits for the home building that caused that 50,000. Now, the only way I know that is, like I said, John Lufrano had told me about that, and that's the only thing that I can attest to.

Resident Kathryn Clark-Ross stated I know it's coming out of that fund, but I thought we had paid prior, and this is new money.

Trustee Dunham stated well, I believe that's two separate funds because this was just a special fund the way John had said, maybe. Thank you. I don't know if John mentioned that, but maybe she could.

Chairman Stulac stated we can't really continue the discussion on the public comment, Well, yeah, that's I'm sorry that it wasn't on the agenda, but I do believe that they're separate. The issue of the dog park, I think, is unless. Chris, you wanted to say anything on it.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated well, Mr. Chair, if at your discretion, if you'd like me to answer the question, I would.

Chairman Stulac stated yeah. That. So maybe the insurance to.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated fund it actually is done this month and we've already been reimbursed for it. So, the original 40,000 and change was submitted earlier this year, which was the cost of the dog park equipment, the shade structure, and the water fountain. And we did receive the check back on that. The last eight thousand was submitted three weeks ago. And I don't know if we've gotten the check from the county yet, but it's only been three weeks and the county takes a little time, but that that grants that expires this month. So, we're done with it. And that is completely

separate from the 360 that's currently available. So, but they are both from the same fund. They're both the same RCT funds, but they're two different grants from two different times.

Chairman Stulac stated Chris, would you just mind answering with vandalism, does our insurance cover that or not?

General Manager Chris Johnson stated that was our insurance does. But we have a \$1,000 deductible. So that's right. If they do \$500 worth of damage, then we don't claim the insurance on it. Okay.

Chairman Stulac stated Thank you.

Resident Ronny Lynch stated I guess I have a question. I'm reading number seven. It says discussion and possible action regarding pedestrian safety on South Ridge and Mica, are we still talking about?

Chairman Stulac stated no, that's coming up in two. Yeah, we're finishing number five. We're at we're at six coming up now and then we'll get to that. All right. We'll go ahead and close public comment then on the reports to the board.

6. Discussion and possible action to award a construction bid for the North Hobo Tank Painting Project to Viking Painting, LLC. in the amount of \$277,800.00, funding \$120,000.00 from the FY 24-25 budget and the remaining \$157,800.00 from the water reserve fund.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated we open bids on September 9th with two bids. Viking Painting LLC and Resource Development Company. The low bid apparent low bidder was Viking Kingdom royalty at \$277,800, and the RDC was roughly \$305,000, so they were fairly close. My estimate was roughly \$150,000, a large discrepancy between my estimate and the two bids. For some context on that, we did just do Ridgeview Tank in 2022. Sorry. That was a 420,000-gallon tank. The North hobo tank is 188,000 gallons. So, this tank that we're about to make is roughly half the size 45% of the size. Ridgeview in 2022 was \$160,000. So, we're looking at a tank that's roughly half the size. And the cost is at roughly 75% of what it was in 2022. I did call Olympus, who didn't bid on the project but did Ridgeview in 2022. They confirmed that the pricing has dramatically increased over the last couple of years, and the prices are unfortunately fairly accurate. They didn't bid on the project because they are busy, but yeah. And also with just the fact that we had two bids that were so close together. I don't think that there were any issues in terms of like if we go to rebid the project, I don't think we're going to see any better pricing. I think that that's what the price is these days.

Chairman Stulac stated Colin, could you, for the edification of the public and everybody, just quickly summarize why and the purpose of the painting of the tank is for.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated yeah, I was about to get there.

Chairman Stulac stated Oh. I'm sorry.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated It's okay. Yeah. So, unfortunately, even though we're seeing such an increase in price. I do still recommend that we move forward with the project, because the interior coating and the various accessories, we're going to install a sample tap, a new tank vent and an air gap on the overflow pipe, and then actually an external liquid level indicator. All of these items were pointed out on the NDEP Sanitary survey that they did this last year.

Chairman Stulac stated So we were cited for those things.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated yeah Indian hills were cited for those, those issues. That's why the project came about. So, we do actually have to address those issues in order to be in compliance with NDEP. So therefore, I am recommending that we award the project to Viking Painting LLC in the amount of \$277,000. One last thing. I do have a \$20,000 contingency force account in there as well in case there's any issues.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated what's that for?

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated If we go, go to blast the paint, the interior coating, and we find holes or damage to the steel because the interior coating is failing and we receive a change order from the contractor, we would be able to use the \$20,000 force account for situations like that. The main reason we do the force account is because we meet once a month. Anything over? I think it's \$5,000. Chris cannot in terms of the change of the contract, over \$5,000 would be for an approval for. We meet once a month. And a lot of those items that occur in the field, we need an answer on quickly. Otherwise, we're looking at a larger change order. If we're telling a contractor to wait until we meet once a month to get approval. So that's how we do it. We set up the force account, and you guys approved at the beginning. And we use that for changes that are under the \$20,000 course.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated so what happens if there are no change orders? What happens to the 20,000 at the end of the project?

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated I do a formal change order to back out the \$20,000 project so it won't be used.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated It comes back to us.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated if there's no problems that occur during construction. You'll pay 257,800.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated so if you remember our last when. We did the last tank, we had to go. I actually had to come back to the board for an increase because of that. We did find the nodules on the bottom, which they had to go and scrape off, and they had to go weld plates over the bottom of it. And that was, was that like \$16,000 or something like that I can't remember.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated yeah. That the last thing we did, we had a \$10,000 force account. That's why this time he increased it.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated it came back at like twenty-six over. So, we had the 10,000-force account count plus the extra.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated well, chances are we're going to use it. Very good chance we're going to use it.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated this should be pretty accurate, but it's just there in case.

Vice Chairman Garcia: Contingency fund for it is a contingency fund.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated yes, a contingency fund that's exactly what it is. And it's basically saying here, this is, this is what we've got 277,000. That could be the cost of the project. The project should only be 257. But in case we run into any unexpected circumstances, unforeseen circumstances, then we've got the money there to use for those.

Trustee Lufrano stated Colin, question for you because it's broken out into line items on, on this estimate. If the cost to the contractor is more than what they've estimated. That doesn't matter. Right? They're just going to charge the amount of the project, meaning they're not charging line item by line item. Is that correct or not?

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated they are charging line item by line item. They're not allowed to bill more than each line item without a justifiable change in the contract.

Trustee Lufrano stated okay. So just a minute ago, you said, I believe this is what you said, that you're worried about the interior painting of the tank. So, I think on here, the installation of new coating system on interior is significantly different between the two bids. Would it be advantageous for us to consider the higher bid? Because that's where the increased cost would actually, as I say, that that doesn't make any sense. The lower bid. If they went, if Viking went over the ninety-three, they would just charge us additional, but it would likely not go up to the 157 that that resource development is asking.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated yes, they would have to have a justifiable reason. We would have to uncover something. Yes. Under the existing coding that is abnormal that that they couldn't anticipate in their bid.

Trustee Lufrano stated okay. How about nobody ever asked? That seemed like a ridiculous question as I heard it out loud. But nobody ever asked to pay more. Yes. Just wondering if there was any reason to go for one versus the other because it was broken out like that.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated if the reason that they if they bid, the amount that they bid and their costs end up being more, they have to eat those costs unless there is a reason why It's justified.

Trustee Lufrano stated okay. Thank you.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated that actually didn't sound ridiculous at all. And what exactly what you just described there is what force counts for. That's so that difference between the two, you know, the one that for 93,000, if they get in there and they say, you know what this is what we normally would encounter in a project like this, but this is way worse than they're going to put in a change order for us. And that's what the force account is for. So, if it did go up over that 93,000, then we'd have that force account there to handle that.

Trustee Lufrano stated I just I guess I was just noting that the items three, four and five, the bids are so significantly different between the two contractors. I would just wonder why.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated that's normal.

Trustee Lufrano stated It is. Okay.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated yeah. They have different ways that they like to separate their money in terms of, in terms of cash flows and all that. And that's completely normal, especially for something like this. If we take certain assumptions on what it's going to cost as well. For something like asphalt, there are a lot closer together. But for something like, you know, blasting the inside of a tank, they have different assumptions that they make.

Trustee Lufrano stated okay.

General Manager Chris Johnson: And correct me if I'm wrong, Collin. It depends on what they're doing in-house and what they're having a subcontractor do. It could be that could account for big differences. And there's also variables.

Chairman Stulac stated well, this this made me ask a question now because it was good. Because now I take a look at the power wash. The cleaning power wash is so much more, especially when you look at the power. So, item two that's it's over double. But I wonder I guess you really can't question Viking. Maybe you can. But when you look at the power wash for number four 54,000 versus 2,700 what the heck are they charging us \$54,000 for when we have someone else who can do a power wash for they 90% 80% less.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated the \$54,000 is more accurate to the price of blasting the inside of the tank.

Chairman Stulac stated than the other.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated the other contractor looks like they have most of their price for the installation. The new coating system on the second line, which is the installation.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated so they're including blasting in the second line instead of the third line.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated yes, and they can't say for sure.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated that's how they compartmentalize those anyway.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated yeah.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated I mean I'd assume that, but we don't know.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated we know that most of the work is in the prep. The \$54,000 is a lot more accurate for blasting inside.

Chairman Stulac stated than the \$2,700 that resource put out.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated I don't think you can get even the blasting material for \$2,700.

Chairman Stulac stated So they probably just padded that 157,000. Is on the inside of the coating. They probably just padded that all up to account for maybe just interesting. Such a big difference. Especially on number four there. It's what I want to see.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated what resource I should I assume that they may be doing is they may be padding the price of their new coding system line item so that when they go to purchase the materials at the beginning of the project, they get more money up front because they can charge for stored materials or purchase materials. It's not like they'll get paid more at the end of the day. They're just playing the game on their end in terms of cash flow likely is my assumption.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated yes. If I may, Colin? Yes, you. When you extrapolated the cost of the of the tank. Originally the estimate was based on a on the size difference, so the reduction in size. So, you used a percentage to extrapolate that. But on that extrapolation was there in the, on the, on the, on the original tank, was there a new air gap, new vent, new level indicator and new sample tank as part of that previous project?

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated that's a good point. There was a new external liquid level indicator. And that was it. So that was it. We do have three new accessories.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated so there are three new accessories on here that there's cost of good point. Cost of materials increased cost of labor increased two years since that last bid. And also, that we have three new basically fixed items that are added to this that were not accounted in your original bid because these are add ons.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated yeah. And the ridge view tank, we didn't do those and that looks like it's roughly fifteen grand.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated another thing that affects it and correct me if I'm wrong on this, but it's. This isn't a project that we're doing all the time, so it's not like you just go out and say, hey, what is it going to cost me to paint this tank? You know, there's a lot of variables in play. It's like me looking at, I want to buy a new motorcycle, or I want to

build a suborbital rocket. One of those is going to have a ton of variables in it. The other one is because it happens every day. You can get pretty close on the details. So.

Trustee Dunham stated this is for Colin what type of media material are they using.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated just sand.

Trustee Dunham: Sand.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated silica sand.

Trustee Dunham stated silica sand. Okay. I thought it might be something like crushed or industrial diamonds or crushed industrial rubies at that price.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated no silica sand.

Trustee Dunham stated I know that stuff is expensive. I've gone through a lot. Running a water jet? Yeah. But anyways, that does make a difference. I mean, silica sand. I buy that for, you know, \$5 a bag and it's a 60-pound bag, but they're going to use it maybe five times. I don't know. Do they put how many how much sand they're going to buy. Is that a breakdown in this \$50,000?

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated no.

Trustee Dunham stated okay. Thank you.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated Mr. chair, if I may add. In the budget, we put \$120,000 in the budget for this. This did come out significantly higher than our budget amount. If you remember, with the streets a couple of years ago with an Indian driver said, no, let's hold off on it. My first instinct is to say, let's hold off on this and wait on it. But we do have the findings from the NDEP report that we had to address. So, this is one of those projects that we just really can't hold off on. We do have the money in reserves. Reserves are \$980,000 for water right now. Give or take. So, the money is in there from the reserves.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated I agree, and I was just going to say in point in time that you actually are doing the work. You said it's not a regular schedule, so it's not going to be the same. If you're waiting longer to do the work. It's going to be more work to get it back up to par. So yeah.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated well, materials aren't getting cheaper either.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated no.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated yeah. Is the jointing system does have significant issues. As NDP pointed out as well. So, the longer you wait, the more risk there is that the steel of the tank is right.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated yeah. And just to clarify, I think, Colin, you said you gave an example of what a concern could be, which is after they get the coating off, that's what the contingency fund is for. It wasn't really a concern. It was an example of what the contingency or the force fund could be used for. Currently you don't have a specified concern.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated no.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated okay. Thank you.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated I'm just going off of past experience.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated Thank you. That's all I have.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated what's the expected life of a recoat like that?

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated 20 years.

Trustee Lufrano stated I'd like to make a motion.

Chairman Stulac stated well, before we do, we got to go to public comment. We'll go ahead and go to public comment. We'll come back to the Board of trustees for any final decision and then the possible motion then. So, let's go ahead. And is there anybody from the public that would like to. We're going to open up public comment on this, this particular item number six. Item six here. Okay.

**Public comment:** Resident Sharon Buckley stated I'm Sharon Buckley. Bob, you kind of took my thunder away when you brought up the issue of the discrepancy between item number four between the two vendors. And then the item number five is astronomically different as well on the installation of exterior coating I guess from. From maybe, from a consumer perspective, I used to bid on jobs a lot in the corporate world, and you just have to go out for bid. And in every instance, we had three minimum of three. And I know you commented here that you reached out to some others who have not replied. I'm curious about what the sense of urgency is for this project and whether or not there's time, legitimately time, to reach out to maybe 1 or 2 others and try to get another apples to apples bid for this. This is a lot of money. It's really a lot of money. And to see a discrepancy of from \$54,000 to \$2,700 for the same process, something. Something's not right. I mean, there must be something that isn't right if they're doing the same process. So why on earth would they be charging \$54,000 versus the other companies? 27. And the other has to do with \$6,000 over here to power wash versus \$2,700 and these guys are charging \$157,000 to do the coating. I mean, there's the discrepancies are so huge and blatant, I would think they would lend a little bit more valuation and hopefully get potentially get a third, at least a third bid on the project before you commit to spending that kind of money. So that would just be my thoughts on the process.

Chairman Stulac stated Anybody else? Come on. Okay. No one else. So, we'll go ahead and close public comment and just go back to the board of trustees. And just kind of begs one question I have. So, Colin, you indicated that you talked to the company who did the other

tank. I'll go back to your notes here. We did the project up on Ridgeview, you went ahead and actually that was Olympus and Associates, and they didn't want to bid on this one.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated Correct? Yeah, they expressed to me that they were too busy to give the project the attention it would need. So that's why they did not bid on it.

Chairman Stulac stated Chris, for lack of my own knowledge, with, with all the policies you have and procedures and with regards to the bids, is this is this under the mandate for the three or under or over?

General Manager Chris Johnson stated we get three. But if we don't get three bids, we can't push off a project indefinitely until we find three contractors. And specifically, on this, there's not a dozen contractors that do this work. There's very limited number of contractors to do this work.

Chairman Stulac stated I was just trying, remember what is the dollar amount for? So, three bids. Yeah.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated so by law, project is under \$100,000.

Chairman Stulac stated that's right. Under \$100,000.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated Chris has to solicit three bids. He doesn't have to actually get three bids. He has to solicit three bids. This project is over \$100,000. So, it went to a public bid. It had a minimum 21-day advertisement period.

Chairman Stulac stated that's right.

District Engineer Collin Sturge: I called the local contractors which the list is Olympus and Resource Development Company. There's not a lot of folks that do it. So, it was in a public advertisement for 21 days. And then a paper that the record-courier.

Chairman Stulac stated thanks for explaining that. I think that's helpful for the public to hear that, too. Thanks, Colin.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated so, Mister Chair, also when Collin talked to Olympus, he also said that that he doesn't see any discrepancies in these bids, that he would have been around the same time. In fact, he said he would be more. Didn't he?

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated yeah, he said he would be around the same price.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated Yeah. So, the fact if one of them came back at 150 and one came back at three hundred, I'd see a discrepancy. But the fact that they came back so close together, you know, as far as the line items in your I don't know how many of you do an actual personal budget line by line in your household. In my house, I put my internet charges under telecommunications. You might put it under entertainment. That's where these

discrepancies are is it's their internal process on where they're putting their costs at the end numbers are coming out close for us.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated about \$28,000 yeah. Pretty close.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated I would like to point out too, if we do decide to push down the exterior, painting the tank does require a certain temperature for cure. So, if we put it off another month or so, we likely would have to wait until spring.

District Counsel Chuck Zumpft stated that those bids will expire.

Chairman Stulac stated these bids?

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated yes, we'd have to rebid.

Chairman Stulac stated we're going to take a quick recess, and then we'll come back to the board and have any further discussion and or emotion. We'll take a five-minute break for the restroom.

Chairman Stulac stated let's go ahead and we'll resume the meeting. And we left off with the board having some kind of Trustee. Garcia, did you want to make a comment?

Vice Chairman Garcia stated I did want to make a couple of comments on what I consider not to be discrepancies, as Chris mentioned. I think that these companies are categorizing the work that they do in different buckets, just as Chris gave his example. If you look at lineitem number four, the removal of interior coating system, that is a big job that sandblasting the entire inside of the system. So clearly excuse me. And then cleaning and then cleaning out. So clearly resource development company did not include sandblasting. And the cost of sandblasting, the cost of material, the cost of removing all that in that \$2,700, they're more than likely what a reasonable person can assume that they are using that. They're putting that into the bucket of installing the new coat system there, including removing it as part of the cost of installing it. Now, costs have increased over the last two years. Most of us know our insurance went up 50%. These companies have to carry aggregate insurance of \$1 million or more, I believe, or something in that vicinity. So, the insurance costs, guess what? They get passed on to us. So, I do not see a discrepancy between the two bids that we have, considering that they are blind bids, and their total amounts came in close to each other. And we have a third who chose not to participate. That said, these are reasonable costs based on their estimates, but they just haven't the time. So those are just my observations, and I thought I would share that before we move on.

Trustee Lufrano motioned to award a construction bid for the North Hobo Tank Painting Project to Viking Painting, LLC. in the amount of \$277,800.00, funding \$120,000.00 from the FY 24-25 budget and the remaining \$157,800.00 from the water reserve fund. Secretary/Treasurer Siegman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

# 7. Discussion and possible action regarding pedestrian safety on South Sunridge and Mica Drive.

Resident Lynn Dement stated I apologize. I was advised it was and it makes sense that I should have numbered all of these things to all my suggestions to. It would make voting a little easier, and I didn't realize all my stickers were actually in here. But at the last meeting, we talked a good deal about speed bumps and that type of thing as mitigation for speeding. And I think we all did. I did come to the conclusion that that is just not going to work. The asphalt cement is too expensive. The rubber ones can't be removed. The rumble strips are very noisy, and once you pull them up, you can't put them back down. The county has no means to put them down for us and not farm things out. So just to say that's not what this is about, because I kind of eliminated that. Eliminated that. The only thing is. And I'll number these as we go along on the second page. Number, it will be number six of their rumble strips that are rolled out as a possibility. And there is a photo of them.

Chairman Stulac stated so you're calling that number. You're calling that number six on the second page. You call that number six. Okay.

Resident Lynn Dement stated and that is on page 32. That's the only thing that's a possibility as far as putting something on the road. In my opinion. Well, the portable weigh, like 30 pounds. You can roll them out for \$138.95. There. Are two of them there. We fold them up. However, in my opinion, you're open to vandalism. I mean because anybody can just go take them and walk away with them. So, you're going to have to weigh how effective this might be going down South Sunridge Hill to put three of them in a row. And how easy it would be for somebody to take them because that's all we're geared for now, I think, is preventing vandalism. Okay, so back to Number one is reached. The first one on my list here. Restriping of the crosswalks, repainting them. And they, they have to be wired for county regulations, but they do put sparkly plaza in there as a reflector. And I think every crosswalk in the district needs repainting, and I don't think I didn't provide a cost. I could look on Amazon for a gallon of paint, but I think the manager probably has better sources to come up with prices for this type of thing. I think they all need to be done. That is number one. And including where I assume you all are familiar with North South, Sunridge and Mica, where they all merge. I think we would like to see another crosswalk. Doesn't need a flasher, doesn't need anything. Where North Sunridge comes into Mica, he can turn left to go down the hill to the golf course or turn right. Not a lot of people use that crosswalk, but some do, and it would just be a matter of paint striping to add that crosswalk. And if you look at what vou're.

Chairman Stulac stated so if you're at the corner of North Sunridge North, you're seeing going east that way because there's already one going towards Sharon's house.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated so she's talking about putting one on North Sunridge.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated there's no crosswalk there, right?

Chairman Stulac stated yeah. I thought that was East. Okay, good.

Resident Lynn Dement stated there it is. The second photo I get to page 29, although it's not like that. It is page 28. It shows where the new crosswalk I think would be helpful. Some people do cross at Mica and then cross again to get over on the right-hand side of your sun ridge to go down that road. And I think it's just a matter of some paint. We're not I'm not asking for a flasher or anything of that nature. So that was number one. If you want to label that.

Chairman Stulac stated I thought number one was the restriping of the crosswalks. And then this is now adding.

Resident Lynn Dement stated it's included in that with restriping of the crosswalk also just striping a new one right there. That's number one. So but if you want to make them one and two that's up to you. Okay. You want me to do that? Number two. We the flasher that is on the median pole at the corner of Mica, North and South Sunridge faces west if you're coming up and like, until you see a big flasher in the middle and two smaller ones on the side. But if you're coming up from the golf course up South Sunridge, to Mica, there isn't a corresponding large center median flasher for the cars that are coming up the hill. So, number two is a request for flasher. Oh gosh. Yes. To add another flasher on that median pole. And again, I don't have a price for that. I don't know what the other one's cost. That's something you will have to discuss with the manager.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated so you're talking about one on just the opposite side of the pole?

Resident Lynn Dement stated yeah. Yes.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated same pole. Just on the other side of it.

Resident Lynn Dement stated just on the same pole. Ones down the hill.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman: New pole and. Facing the other. Direction.

Resident Lynn Dement stated yeah. We only have one. And I think this car is coming up south Sunridge from the golf course. It's a speeding problem there. And that crosswalk is very dangerous. So, I think it would help to have another one there.

Chairman Stulac stated well, let me just clarify, because you're saying on your page here your narrative, you said add a flasher on the median pole. That's the thing in the center. Right, right. But I thought you just conferred with Russ that it's the two ones on the end.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated No, no,

General Manager Chris Johnson stated the on the medium pole in the center. She just wants to make sure.

Chairman Stulac stated yeah just want to make sure.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated there's one that faces down Mica toward the highway.

Chairman Stulac stated that's right.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated she wants one on the other side of the pole that faces down South Sunridge towards the golf course.

Resident Lynn Dement stated that faces up. If you're coming up South Sunridge to Mica, one that will hit the cars that are coming up.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated up ok, so you get both directions on the median. Okay.

Chairman Stulac stated okay yeah. Great. Thank you for clarifying that. I just misunderstood what you said. So, I was confused. Thank you. Lynn. Go ahead.

Resident Lynn Dement stated Okay. And this has new no number. Chris has already addressed this, and I've seen the cars back out with posting your speed limit when you go by, so that's not something that's numbered here.

Chairman Stulac: The speed vehicles that you were trying to refer to. The speed vehicle in use. Is that the thing you're talking about?

Resident Lynn Dement stated Yeah, it's out there now. That was addressed by Chris's report it's out and functional right now. Okay. And number three, I think signage is important to add signage. I don't know the cost of that again. That's the district manager. Probably does. I'd like to see signs on South Sunridge that says radar in use, whether it is or not. I think that would be appropriate. If the sheriff does get out and do it, we're not exactly lying. If they've done it once, then radar can be used. And I think that would help. That's number three. Okay. And number four, if you look at the two pictures on a and B, when you're coming out. North Sunridge to the intersection of Mica and South Sunridge. And this picture these pictures actually shows that curve. Exactly. This is not the real thing. This was something I wanted. If you are coming down North Sunridge and turned right on Mica, the cars swerve around that corner and actually come up on the sidewalk, or they come up in the, so? Two of their wheels are actually on the sidewalk, or they're in the gutter. I had a woman almost hit me there. She came up on the curb enough that I whacked the hood of her car and said, what do you think you're doing? And she just laughed and drove away. I did not get her tag number. The Sheriff was not interested in that one because there really, to give him credit, there was nothing they could do. I couldn't get a tag number. You know, sometimes when something scares you, you don't instantly react to take down the information. So, there are two possibilities A and B of what could be done to force people to come out a little further before they make that turn. The stop sign at North Sunridge and Mica is so far back from the road that you're stopping. I don't know, 15ft before you even get to that intersection and the plantings. I know you don't want water, but they can say, okay, well, you know, that's a seed to grow without water. And the other is I don't know what those things are called. The poles.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated I think they're called ballasts or ballasts.

Resident Lynn Dement stated oh. Yeah. I think those are not as fun to look at. It's not as aesthetically pleasing as a planter box would be, but either one, I think, would do. And we have some of those. We have one of those. And at the bottom of Mica, where the median starts, there's one of these that's actually plastic. And so that I don't think again, I don't have calls for that. That's your manager, maybe he has some ideas on that. I don't know. And number five, this is also a question for the manager. The speed car. I don't know if it's programmable. If you could make a tiny little flash go off when somebody goes over twenty-five to make it look like there are pictures being taken without going to a lot of pause? I don't know. I don't know what the mechanism is inside there. If that can be done, because I think I mean, I know if I think my pictures been taken when I go through a red light or whatever, I look at the mail for three days, three weeks in a row to see if I'm getting a ticket in the mail. I don't know if Nevada does that, but I think that would be a nice little trick if we could manage that. So that was number five.

Chairman Stulac stated You called that six on the last page. The second is that a portable rumble strip would be that you said you were kind of revoking that because they could be stolen or what? I'm sorry. You you're you mentioned that that you mentioned that was number six earlier. You went to this at the very beginning about the rumble strips. Are you still advocating for that?

Resident Lynn Dement stated number five is the speed program, the rumble strips is six.

Chairman Stulac stated yes, I said that's six.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated six were the portable ones.

Chairman Stulac stated yeah, yeah.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated not the not the permanent ones.

Chairman Stulac stated are you still proposing the portable ones in this in six.

Resident Lynn Dement stated yeah.

Chairman Stulac stated okay. Just making sure.

Resident Lynn Dement stated the last one I'll go right to number nine citizen meeting with the sheriff. I don't have that on there. But you would add that I'd like to see. I know the manager speaks frequently with the undersheriff. But I've had three occasions. Where I've called them. They came out a day later and said, what do you want me to do? And that's three times. And that doesn't sit very well when you've almost been hit. And I think they need to take it more seriously. And I think I'd like to propose as number nine that the manager and whatever board members might be interested, and a couple of citizens. Schedule a meeting with the undersheriff or whoever and talk about the use of radar on a it doesn't have to be every week. We have radar, but spot it here and there, maybe an hour this week, two hours next week in different locations. And I think some more pressure, maybe by the citizens, Maybe by the board who needs to be exerted on the sheriff's department?

Because I'm telling you, most of us in the community that have had contact have been blown off. And I think that may not be everybody's experience, but everybody I know has had that experience.

Chairman Stulac stated let me just clarify. Six was the portable rumble strips. And then you just said this was nine.

Resident Lynn Dement stated yes, I was getting to that.

Chairman Stulac: stated what was seven and eight.

Resident Lynn Dement stated I've never gotten to that.

Chairman Stulac stated Oh, so you went to nine? Okay. I'm just, I misunderstood you there. So, nine is a citizen meeting. Okay. Sorry. I'm sorry.

Resident Lynn Dement stated I can't read what number eight is. Oh, that's the meeting. Okay. Never mind. We're just not going to have an eight. Okay. We're going to have a seven. This is something. Okay. Be patient with me. Because this is really way out there and it's not something we would have the money for now, but I think it's something that might be considered in the next budget year. South Sunridge Hill. It's a speedway because it's three lanes, doesn't need to be three lanes. It never did. It helps the people that are coming out of South Sunridge and trying to turn left, to come up the hill to Mica, to be able to use that center lane to come up the hill. But it's not that big a problem. And the three lanes there encourage speeding in my opinion. You've got wide open three lanes. So, my plan my I want in my wish list here, I'd like to widen the bike paths by Striping it a little closer in, and then doing a middle strip and making it two lanes. Don't know if that's stupid. And again, it's something that would need a lot of discussion, but I think you're going to cut down on speeding. Those cars have to be wide open, very wide lanes, so they don't care how fast they go. There's nothing that's going to hit them.

Chairman Stulac stated Just to clarify. So, you're talking down at the bottom of the hill where you turn off to the golf course. You're saying there's three lanes.

Resident Lynn Dement stated from mica on down to the golf to the turnoff for the golf course. I thought there was like a crosswalk at North and South Sunridge. Yeah. From there on down, it's a two-lane highway.

Chairman Stulac stated It's three lanes, isn't it? Just two.

Chairman Stulac stated okay. You're talking about the median.

Resident Lynn Dement stated It's three lanes. Okay.

Chairman Stulac stated You're referring to the median. Okay. That's what confuses me. It's not a lane wide enough.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated Its wide enough for three lanes, but it's only two lanes.

Chairman Stulac stated Okay.

Resident Lynn Dement stated That's the two lanes. There's another lane in the middle that looks almost the same size.

Chairman Stulac stated okay. The median. You think the median encourages people?

Chairman Stulac stated I gotcha to I mean,

Resident Lynn Dement: Preferably it would be really nice to do a median down the center like we have on the lower end of Mica. But that's, I think, something that's not cost effective for us to do. Also, the up to Valley Vista Park, where they have the boulders and the cutouts with this and that I spent a lot of time talking to is it, you know, John Erb,

Chairman Stulac stated John Erb.

Resident Lynn Dement stated He's very nice and he's very helpful. And he said they can be done, of course, without the boulder, and they can be done. So. So buses do not have an issue because we talked about that a while back that we couldn't do something like that. Cutouts like that because of trafficking for the buses. He said It's not a problem. And I think he's a great resource. And I think if we ever decided to do this project, I think he'd be a great resource for us. And I think. I think the main thing. I think we can vote on all of these tonight except my last. I wish in the grand scheme of things; we could do that at Sunridge. That would be a good more discussion. But I think you can vote on all these other issues. And I'd like to ask that you do. Thank you.

Chairman Stulac stated Thank you. Then. Is there is initial appeal? We'll go to public comment in just a minute. Ron. Isn't it Ron? We're going to wait. Just. We're not. She was the presenter, so we'll go to public comment in just a minute. So, we're just going to talk to the board. It's board trustee discussion then. Then you can come right after that. And we welcome you to come up for that. So, I'll just start out initially with any board of trustee discussion. To start with and anybody. To my left here.

Trustee Dunham stated I believe this is an ongoing proposition that needs a lot of detail sorted before there's a vote. All of these things are great, but all of these things take money. But what's more important? The lives of our citizens and our people in the district. Or it's just a difficult road to go here right now. I'm in favor of having these things done. But you know, the paint to put on this street is a very expensive if you want to get something to last. So, all these things really have to be dialed in for us to, to vote on, really. And a lot has to do with the pricing right now. We're forced with a bunch of bad roads. It's all possible getting into the budget for next year, I believe. Okay, that's my basic thought.

Chairman Stulac stated Trustee Garcia, do you want to?

Vice Chairman Garcia stated Yes. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. There's a lot of good ideas. Thank you for sharing them. There's some that I think are plausible and feasible. I think the painting, for instance, that's something that's under the general manager's action plan, I believe already. It's in the works already. So, some of those things are getting done. But I don't see that we have specific items actionable because they will have a financial impact. And we don't know what to vote on because there's no dollar value affixed to any of the proposals. But I appreciate the fact that it was brought forward. I think it's good to have this discussion, but what I would like to see is for these to be assessed by the general manager about what can be done in what order, and costs related to what can be done. I mean, I personally like the idea of looking at this page. You have A and B in here. Page 31. I mean, I think that's a great idea. I've seen that done in other areas. It seems to me that would not impede school buses or plows. They just wouldn't plow that area. It allows a pedestrian to be able to get out into the street, a little further into the crosswalk, and to be able to be out far enough to be able to see that if traffic is coming, because it's a pedestrian's responsibility as well, to make sure that traffic is not coming. They do have the right of way, but it's still the responsibility of the pedestrian. So, I like those ideas. But again, I think it really things like putting up the flasher seems like something we can do. But I think that's something that the general manager would need to come back to the board with, with recommendations on what to do and what priority and what kind of budget that would be. Lastly, just to get off the table and move on for other board members, I've already mentioned that my belief is that you can do all the signage you want in the world, but if you don't have enforcement, then you're going to continue to have the issue. How you get enforcement is being able to get a radar sign that's interactive there. That will capture the times of day where these speedy events are happening, to be able to report it. We've found this to be effective in another area. We can replicate that. That is a cost to the district. But I think it's incumbent upon the community to also put together a fundraising measure to say, come up with 50% of that cost. I'd be willing to go back to the doctor's offices again and try to get them to participate. As I have in the past. I could go back to the you know, I'm not going to say which one of the businesses will be able to come forward, but and there's some, I believe, Chris, there's still some public funding for public safety that's sitting in a bucket that could help move towards that. But I think that, it's important if that's going to be funded, that the community, a fundraising effort by the community comes up to come up with a percentage of that, at least a good, I don't know, maybe 25% of it, and then have other community members, individuals, the district and businesses participate in that. But that addresses the whole radar proposal that you had. And then you could then truthfully say radar enforced. I don't know if they are those radar, actually radar that's being used to be able to calculate radar. Then you would have the backing of not just having a radar on your side, but actually have radar in use to be able to do that reporting again, because without enforcement you're not going to have a change in behavior. So, I'm going to stop there. That's all I have.

Chairman Stulac stated any comment on those rumble strips or.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated I have I don't have enough information on it to be able to comment on it.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated one additional thing. I think it might be beneficial for the people that live on that side, especially around Mica and Sunridge and Sunridge, to try to

petition the county for a stop sign on Mica and a stop sign at North Sunridge to mitigate the issue at the top of the hill. It's not going to do anything for the southern part of Sunridge. People are going to speed through there. It doesn't matter what you do down there. There is a radar sign down there and people still speed through there. I mean, I think some of them are trying to break their previous record when they go down there. But I don't know how difficult it is, and I'm sure it's very difficult to get a stop sign anywhere on the planet. If you don't have fifty deaths, they're not going to consider it. But that's another thing to start. Maybe talking to the county about trying to get a stop sign at Mica and North Sunridge. I think that would slow people down at that top of the hill, and it would ease some of the pedestrian concerns from North Sunridge, South Sunridge down Mica towards the highway. South Sunridge is a whole different animal. And yeah, chicanes might be the answer like up here by the park. That little s thing is a chicane, and it slows people down until they get past it. And then I got to make, I got to make up the time I lost right there from here to the next stop sign. That's and that's a proven fact that that happens. So, I don't think there's any real easy answer. I'm sure Chris could speak to the additional flasher in the median. I don't think that would be terribly expensive. The paint, I don't think, is terribly expensive.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated It's. already in the budget.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated I mean some of this stuff can be done easily, but it's not going to mitigate every problem. So, I think we need to start looking at other ways to try to get the county involved and the sheriff involved and see if there's something they can do for us. And that's going to take the citizens that live right around that corner. They're the ones that are going to have to be the squeaky wheels to get the grease.

Resident Lynn Dement stated am I allowed to comment on that?

Chairman Stulac stated I don't in just a minute. You in just a minute, you will be able to come back. Trustee Lufrano did you want to add anything at this point? We will come back again to the trustee. I think.

Trustee Lufrano stated no not at this point.

Chairman Stulac stated Yes, Chris. I'm sorry. Go ahead.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated Thank you, Mr. Chair. I wanted the flasher on the opposite side of the pole. Walk in the park. Yeah, it's easy to do, and I'm going to. I'll tell you the maximum. The absolute maximum that's going to cost is \$2,100. And I doubt it's going to be that much because we just put the flasher out there with the corresponding controls on either side. So, all I have to do is get a matching flasher to go into the center, and it's an existing system that we just put in. So, I know it's going to be compatible. That's easy enough. I can do that. The flash of the trailer, the trailer already does that. It does it. Now funny that you mention that Russ about breaking their fastest speed. There's a reason that we program the trailers the way they are and the flasher down there, when you get to a certain speed when and I think on ours, it's thirty miles an hour. It says slow down. It doesn't tell you your speed. And that's to prevent people from trying to break their high score. That's exactly what that's for. Otherwise, that At 20, when you're coming up, it flashes to let you

know your speed. When you go above the speed limit, it starts flashing at you. When it hits thirty, it tells you to slow down. That's it. So as far as meeting up with the sheriff, I'm going to call. I'm going to call him tomorrow morning because I know he's going to be, I'm going to say probably insulted to hear that someone is saying that the sheriffs don't care, because I can tell you now they do, they do, they put a lot of heart and every time I have called the sheriff, they have responded within ten minutes they're here and we're talking a county that covers how many acres we have, how many sheriffs covering this entire county. So, when you call them on Saturday or late at night, there's a possibility they're all handling an accident down at the south end of the county. Every single time I've called, they've been here. Never have I ever heard a sheriff say, I'm not going to do anything about it. I have had them say multiple times, what would you like me to do about it? And that's a fair question because you know what a good example is? When kids were up on the up on the hill throwing rocks at the water tank. The Sheriff responded right away, came out. I called them and she said, what would you like me to do about it? Because what laws cover that? Kids are damaging it. But can I show damage to it? There's really no law. There's nothing showing that the sheriff can do anything about it. And I said, you know, I think just the fact that you're here is going to do it. She says, I'll flash the lights. I'll turn on all the lights and let them know that I'm here. And sure enough, she turned all those on. Those kids scattered, stopped throwing rocks at it. But the sheriffs do respond. Every single time I've called, the sheriffs have responded. But again, you have to be realistic in what you're expecting from the sheriffs when you call them. If you call and say a white car just did ninety miles an hour past my head, no one's going to believe that. No one on those streets do you understand the speed? At 90 miles an hour to cover from 395 over that hill would take roughly a second. So, people, the sheriffs need specific, clear information. Call them to say I was just crossing this crosswalk a black SUV just blew through this crosswalk and almost hit me. They're not going to come rushing out and going looking for black SUVs because there's black SUVs everywhere. But what it did is you just registered a call in the dispatch system, and that's now going into their report. So now they also have another thing on their radar that someone almost hit a pedestrian in a crosswalk. So now that's on their report. And the more they keep getting those, every day they look at their reports, they look at the breakdown and he's going to look at that and go, you know what? We're getting a lot of reports from this intersection in Indian Hills. Let's put some additional people out there. Let's get some people out there to keep an eye on these. I call them and tell them, hey, I've got a lot of complaints. He's like, no worries, I'll get some additional people up there. They can't have someone camping out there 24/7. We don't have that. You know. It's they they've got a big territory to cover but when a problem is brought to their attention, they address it. For example, this trailer out here with the cameras on it, they brought that up there to cover our parks for us. They could have that down at any of the other county areas. I didn't even ask for it this time. They just brought it up. It was just as big a surprise to me as everyone else that this that the cameras popped up here. Yeah. I'll talk to the sheriff tomorrow, and I'm thinking it'll be a nice thing I'll see if he wouldn't be willing to come to our next meeting and address some of these issues. The radar sign, like we've talked about that before. And I think that's a that's a good idea because that's a data collection point where we can get that. As far as the stop sign at the intersection. I would love that. I wish that I could put stop signs wherever we need them, but it takes literally an act of Congress to put a stop sign out there. But I'm willing to I'm willing to start that ball rolling. I have no problems with that. But again, so I went out there over the last week, I've been out there twice and parked right up by your house there, Bob. I just sat there

in my truck, and I parked on that side so that I could watch the vehicles coming up the street, and I didn't see people speeding. I mean, it's perception when I put the trailer out there today and you went out and talked to my guys out there. I was parked right there watching the whole thing. I was sitting right there across the street, parked because I wanted to watch the reaction of everything that was going on out there. So I sat there and what I did was I filmed as cars were coming up the hill, and I was watching in my rear view mirror to see when that that sign activated. Cars were barely getting up past the intersection down there, and it was triggering on them already. So, every single person that came up there and triggered that speed sign did this. So, at that point, it's too late. They thought if they're speeding, it's already got them. So, it doesn't matter that if they see it a quarter mile down the road by when they if they can see the sign, the sign has already seen them. Radar works a lot better than our eyes do. So, the sign is doing exactly what it's doing. It is sitting there that radar sign. Yeah. We can collect data from that to show us how many people are speeding when people are speeding and how many people actually aren't speeding is what it shows us. But more importantly, exactly as you're talking about what it doesn't need to have a camera flash on it, which I don't know if that's even legal in Nevada having speed cameras, but just seeing that sign flash, they're automatically slowed down. That's what those signs are for. They're there to discourage people. They're to just say, hey, we're watching, and it slows them down. But again, it will only work for a short time because you go out and you know, you got pigeons in your yard and you keep going out and scaring them after a while, if you don't do something to them, they're not going to fly away anymore because they're knowing that you're not going to do anything. And that's exactly what the sign will do after so long. It's not going to do anything. It all comes back to the fact that we need solid data and to keep providing information to DCSO. We have no enforcement. We have no enforcement capability. We don't enforce laws. It's just the same as homes that have weeds growing over in their yards. We have no enforcement on that. That is not ours, that's not our wheelhouse. That's code enforcement. The streets are Douglas County Sheriff's Department 395 is NDOT. NDOT has nothing to say about our streets. So, it's all about whose lane this falls into, and this is Douglas County Sheriff's Office.

Chairman Stulac stated I just want to add, you know, you mentioned the stop sign and so did Russ too. And we talked about that a few months ago it like it's an act of God. But you have to do a traffic study. It's the first thing Jon Erb will need. And I think at one point either Colin or your predecessor that you came up with a bid. When I first came up with this and it was, I can't remember the dollar amount for the track, but it's not a couple hundred dollars it's in the thousands. I can't remember calling what it was.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated I think it was somewhere around \$5,000 to \$8,000.

Chairman Stulac stated yeah. That's right. Thank you. And so, then you do that just and then you, you know, then you submit that to Jon Erb. And if he blesses it, then it's got to go to the board of county commissioners. So, it's a long. So just to reiterate the few comments made and I wanted to I was wondering, Chris, if that trailer is out there now rather than being up at the top of the hill, if it was down right past the first sidewalk crossing where the park first starts, there is then as they're coming up the hill, they would see the flashing there because a lot of times people come to the top, they'll slow down and make a left because a lot of them are going to that new development up there. So just a thought that that right kind of before

that mailbox cluster could be a better way to because I think people do look at that and they take maybe their foot off. Whereas when they get to the top, unless they're going up and over down South Sunridge, then it helps there too. So, I do like what Trustee Garcia said about some of these things. We, you know, I think it would be helpful if a couple of them could be looked at with Chris and some numbers and come back to us with something that would be helpful. Go ahead. Chris.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated one more thing to consider. When you're talking about numbers and budget numbers, we're not looking at the temporary rumble strips at \$300. We're not looking at a \$300 expense here. We have eighty-four streets in this district. This is one. We have roughly and I might have miscounted ninety-six crosswalks in the district. So, if you say we're going to make these improvements on this. You better be ready to do the improvements on all of them, because we cannot turn around and take public funds and say, we're going to build out and do all this special stuff on one intersection and then when the intersection at Plymouth and Vista Grande calls and says, we've got a four way intersection here and people speed through here also, people run the stop signs. Are we going to do the same thing? Are we going to take the same precautions there? Are we going to take them at all the locations along Vista Grande? So just know that we're not looking at a single cost on this. We have more than one street to address on this issue.

Chairman Stulac stated thanks, Chris. I do believe there's some other people that might be speaking, and probably and I do recall somewhere, maybe it was in the minutes from the last meeting because this was brought up initially by Lynn last month, or Sharon did, and there were some people who were saying, we got issues over here and over here, like Chris just said. So anyways, that's just what I want to say for right now, and let's go ahead and we can open up. We'll come back to the board, but let's open up for public comment and give people a chance to speak. And if you need to come back up and want to say something to you, my name is.

Public comment: Resident Ronny Lynch stated I'm Ronny Lynch. I try to look at things a little bit different now that I've lived in Sunridge for 26 years. Just so the board knows, my son is a police sergeant with the Douglas County Sheriff's Office, and I have never asked Will to help with the problem here and I won't because I know how busy he is. As far as rumbles, you have to remember that they really interfere with plowing the snow and the wintertime. Carson had them, and Carson had to pull them. We've had some that we pulled. We had to pull. Okay, I'm going to approach it this a little differently. I lived here at Sunridge for 26 years. 26 years times three hundred days equals 7800 days. I've been walking our dog to South Park for 7800 days. That is how many times I've crossed Mica and Smoketree, Mica and north and south Sunridge crosswalks. I've been a vocal campaigner for making the crossing safer. Both John and Chris have done the very best they can to make it safer. However, there is only so much that they can do. We as residents of Sunridge have to take better care of our crossings in these two areas. Just don't trust drivers. Their cars are bigger and heavier than us. Don't jaywalk. Use the designated crossings. Remember to press the button before you cross. Make sure the lights are blinking. Even then, look left and right before you cross. You don't have to run across. Just walk across swiftly. Us older residents I'm 87 now, don't move as fast. It's okay to help us. Mothers with youngsters cross with strollers. One woman uses her stroller for her older dog and two dogs on the leashes. People in wheelchairs use the crossings. My favorite is the 100-year-old who walks South Park every morning at Smoketree near his home, says he goes to

bed at 9 p.m. and gets up at 6 a.m. every morning and just recently he got himself a wheel pusher with four wheels on it and he really moves out now 100 years old, and my dog's very lucky because he gets scratched by Al in the morning.

Chairman Stulac stated Ron, do you have to kind of wrap it up, that's a little over three minutes.

Resident Ronny Lynch stated I don't feel I should call Brooke and Chris to complain. Call the sheriff's office. I saw the twenty-five mile per hour sign on South Sunridge by the golf course. Thanks, Chris. However, I know that every one of us must be on the highway from here to Reno. From Reno to Minden. I go the speed limit, so help me God, I do.

Chairman Stulac stated Ron, you have to. You have to wrap it up. You're way, you're way past three minutes. You have to.

Resident Ronny Lynch stated I timed myself this morning. Okay. Okay. I'm going as fast as I can. I don't feel I should call them. No. I saw the 25mph sign. If you're driving a car, you can see signs don't mean anything anymore. Two funny things happened. I was crossing this morning at Smoketree, I had my orange jacket on. I wait till cars all pass me, and then I push the button because I figured they don't want to stop walking. I was halfway across. A car comes up from the west side. They went right past me and I was halfway across. They never saw me.

Chairman Stulac stated Ron, do you want to just finish with a final comment? Because you're at about six minutes. Okay.

Resident Ronny Lynch stated one thing I want to say is people have to be careful. Us walkers have to be careful. And I'm tired of seeing people at Mica and Smoketree and North. North Smoketree and Mica. We're crossing the crosswalk there. They're going jaywalking across. And you know, you can't blame the cars for that. Thank you for your time.

Chairman Stulac stated anybody else want to come up? Thank you. Let's go ahead and sign in there and state your name when you get a minute.

Resident Joe Meagher stated I am here to speak on behalf of the people who do not want rumble strips or speed bumps on a major street that we have to traverse every day. I agree that people do travel kind of fast up and down that road. I don't know how you're going to slow people down. I don't think rumble strips do that. They become launching points to burn your tires out with on a street like that. I've been involved with those issues in other communities. Our last speaker I thought made some very good points about people who are walking. I walked that hill three times a week myself, and I don't have any issues because I walk on the sidewalk, and I do see other people not walking on the sidewalks. So, they are a danger to themselves and to the drivers out there. But I would really try to appeal to you not to use speed bumps or rumble strips on that area. I don't want to be callous, but how many people have actually been hurt in that crosswalk? Do you know any statistics on that? Or is it just our fears because we're not paying attention when we're trying to cross the street? You have to look at the cars and know what they're going to do, or at least hopefully know what they're going to do before you step off that curb. If you are even on the curb. Thank you. Resident Lynn Dement stated Russ as far as the stop sign goes Bob had done that with the study with Quebec last year, and he spoke to Jon Erb in Douglas County, and he indicated it would be

\$5,000 to do the traffic study. That was a year ago and then you do have to jump through hoops. I'd love a stop sign there.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated I know it's not easy.

Resident Lynn Dement stated but I don't know. I mean, I don't know, I think the answer and the comment again, the answer is to get the sheriff to participate more. As far as running radar, as far as having a car out there, and I'm not talking every day. I know they're shorthanded and I know I saw a black car speeding isn't going to help. But I definitely think we need more participation from them because I have run into it too many times on a personal level, as far as almost being hit and telling them what happened and having them not show up till the next day, or, you know, that type of thing. Also, as far as fundraising goes, I'm certainly more than willing to volunteer to work on that. And I think we need maybe some more participation and to see but I would I love doing that kind of thing. And I already have some ideas of people we could approach. I look, I even called the federal government Department of Transportation to find out if there were any grants that could help us. So, I'll do anything to help with this. And I think some of the things on there I think the most one, the best one is what you suggested is to have the flashing with the flasher with radar. I think that's the best suggestion so far. I wish I'd put that down. Thank you, oh, and also, too, when you do decide to vote, I'd like to say that I know other neighborhoods and other streets are going to want the same thing we want. And I know so I think there would have to be a plan devised and the public made aware this is a phased in type operation, and we'd like to do all of them at once, but we need to phase this in because of finances.

Chairman Stulac stated thank you.

Resident Sharon Buckley stated Oh, sure. Thanks. Very quick. Russ, I appreciate your comment about wanting to put suggesting we put a stop sign and I Chris's support for that as well. However, I happen to live right there in front of that crosswalk on Mica. I can't even get out of my driveway now because I have a camper and a van that's parked right at my property line, and my visibility is almost nonexistent on a daily basis. And apparently this guy has figured out some way to be able to get around the enforce code enforcement. Still sitting there.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated it is in one of these pictures, isn't it? Yeah.

Resident Sharon Buckley stated nice picture of it, right? Yeah, I had to try to back up. Lynn got a good picture of it. There it is. There.

Resident Sharon Buckley stated If somebody's with me, they'll stand in the streets and say, you can come out now. It's scary, but a stop sign at either side of Mica on Sunridge north, going north or south on or I guess it would be east and west on Mica. I could see one coming up from the south side or from the east side coming up right there, up off South Sunridge possibly before you get to North Sunridge and make the right turn or go straight that way. But to put a stop sign directly in front of my house. I can't even I would like you to just kind of visualize the line of traffic that could be parked literally at any point in time, in front of the house. I don't think that's going to work very effectively for me specifically, it would be an absolute nightmare for me to try to get in and out, and if I ever did want to sell my house, it would definitely be a point of contention for that. It would be a real problem. So that's just my two cents about the stop signs.

Chairman Stulac stated All right. Thank you.

Resident Lynn Dement stated I'd like to piggyback on that on the Sheriff's department has been called 3 or 4 times about this is another instance. I personally have called them four times about the camper and the van in front of Sharon's house. She cannot pull out of her driveway. You have to pull her, sit there, and watch down the street for her. And there's been no I mean, and I approached it as okay they say it's legal because he's hooked up. I approached it from a safety standpoint. This is totally still nothing. No response. I never got an answer, and I called four times to ask them to look into that. Okay.

Chairman Stulac stated thank you.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated thank you, Mr. Chair. As you know, every year we have the street project slash right of way item in the budget. And I'm going to guess it's probably going to be right around \$1,000 to \$1200 for to put a matching flasher on the backside of the pole. That's well within my discretionary spending. So, I mean, unless the board has any opposition to it. I'll. I can pull it out of the street projects right away and get one of those flashers.

Chairman Stulac stated I think that I think it'd be great Chris. We don't have to make a motion on that item and say, if you're willing to do that and it's made, it's in the public think. Thank you, Chris. I think the public because I think that was one of the ones, in my opinion, was the most straightforward one that with, with Chris all explained about the, the hook ups are already there. There just a matter of putting one on the other side. Thank you. Chris.

Trustee Dunham stated yeah. On the code enforcement, I believe they have 72 hours to park there.

Resident Sharon Buckley stated It's been there for 72 months. Okay.

Trustee Dunham stated Okay, I've been here for 33 years. I've seen so many things. We're talking with the board. I mean, what is it? The code enforcement department on the street you got to talk to and submit the paperwork. So now you've done that, and they still haven't come out?

Resident Sharon Buckley stated yeah. He got tagged once.

Resident Lynn Dement stated It's not code enforcement, though.

Trustee Dunham stated that's exactly what I was told when they came by my house. Chris can explain. Well, isn't that code enforcement.

District General Manager Chris Johnson stated It's DCSO.

Trustee Dunham stated okay what is DCSO clarify.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated the sheriff's office is anything on the street, it Is the sheriff's office. You can have a camper or an RV out there for 72 hours. If they move it in that time, it resets the clock. So that's the problem that you're going to run into. The workaround is they can have it out there for 72 hours to load or offload. But if he has it out there for 60 hours, then drives around the block with it and comes back, then you know, you're running into a gray area there.

Chairman Stulac stated and Dale, just to clarify, I talked to the sheriff's office about this situation out there by Sharon's, and because I wanted to know the specifics and what the loophole in that requirement. So, if you if you were to park an RV like and detach it, you can't be there more than the 72 hours but if it's hooked up to a licensed registered vehicle, which is what this neighbor has done, it falls through the cracks. So, I tried to I did my best to try to tell the sheriff, you know, because for many years, many of you know, I was a health inspector and the supervisor of the health department. We inspected the jails, the restaurants, and you have to look at the intent of the regulations. So, I tried to reason with the guy and say, but the intent of the regulation is such and such. So, he's not really meeting the intent of the regulation, or he's violating the true intent of the regulation by being there. But his comment back to me was, well, then go get you guys. We can only enforce the law, so go get the law changed, which makes getting a statute law change is difficult. But that's kind of the issue, is when someone attaches their vehicle to it, it creates it's a little caveat and I haven't really looked at that, that NRS down there that says that. But apparently that's what has happened there. And okay, so that helps, that helps.

Trustee Dunham stated ok, but this was the code enforcement that came by my house and stopped talking to me. She didn't explain that part to me.

Chairman Stulac stated something in the driveway code enforcement can take action.

Trustee Dunham stated I got her card at home. Anyway, she didn't explain that to the further extent. She just spoke about the 72 hours, which is pretty much the same everywhere you go as city ordinance, county ordinance.

Chairman Stulac stated but if it is in the driveway, code enforcement can take action. And this particular individual had a boat in his property for a while in the driveway, and that got removed because that can't be there for, they're very flexible. They give the person a letter, they give them 30 days, but they'll eventually make you get something off the driveway or the side of the yard if it's not behind a gate. But that's code enforcement. If it's like if it's on the street, it's Douglas County Sheriff's Office. So anyway, just to clarify that part, but anything else on the agenda item. Did you have any other comments?

Trustee Dunham stated Just was trying to fill in the gap and I got filled in myself. That guy did. Yeah. So that's just in my mind. An unneighborly thing you know.

Resident Sharon Buckley stated you have no idea. Yeah.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated just to reiterate, I think there's any anything actionable for us, but I do think we can as a board give Chris some direction to aside from what he's already

identified, take a look at what other opportunities are available based on recommendations made.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated I actually want to say, Robert, that I'll have a quote for, for the same radar speed sign that we have down at the bottom. I have a quote for us, hopefully by Friday. I'll reach out or I'll call her tomorrow and talk to her.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated well, do you have a ballpark. In case the in case the community wants to start with fundraising.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated I don't even have a ballpark on it.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated I think the last one was like \$3,500 per sign.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated I think it's more than that. I think it's closer to \$5,000. But again, and with the economy, it could be anywhere. It could be \$12,000 at this point.

Chairman Stulac stated so you'll propose that you'll share that with us at the next meeting?

General Manager Chris Johnson stated Sure. Okay.

General Manager Chris Johnson: But I'll get. I'll call tomorrow and talk to them. We have an account with them because we have the existing setup for that, so. Okay.

Trustee Lufrano: So, on either photo number 31 or page 31 in the packet. Chris, do you happen to know if, if we can install those if we want to. I'm just not saying we do or don't. I'm just asking, can we install those if we want to? Or is that a function of Douglas County? Can we make that decision

General Manager Chris Johnson stated I don't have an answer for you on that?

Trustee Lufrano: Okay.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated I can call Jon tomorrow and talk to him and ask him.

Trustee Lufrano stated okay.

District Engineer Collin Sturge stated I would think that you could install those on any of the Indian Hill roads.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated yeah. That's the direction I'm leaning also, because when I spoke with John, besides putting in stop signs and stuff like that, he pretty much said you guys can do with your roads as you desire, but to an extent, we can't just go in and start getting crazy and throwing in chicanes all over the place or roundabouts bur affecting the actual flow of traffic. We need to address that.

Trustee Lufrano: Okay. And then Chris, do you have I know that I've seen historically very recently, whether it was last summer or this summer. I don't know why I can't remember that, but I know you've painted a crosswalk, at least on Vista Grande. Do you have a like a rotation of you know, you paint like ten this summer over here, ten over here or is it just as needed?

General Manager Chris Johnson stated It's as needed. And because that is one of the things that's been falling through the cracks over the years. We're playing catch up on that right now, which you and you'll notice, like these crosswalks right here are all brand new and they're slowly working their way through. And the way that we're doing that is they've got lawns to mow and all the normal duties. And when they're like, okay, we've got one day here that we have open for projects, we're going to go out and paint, which is when they painted the red in front.

Trustee Lufrano stated ok yeah, I noticed they did that recently. Yeah.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated They'll be getting to over to the Sunridge side, I would say, especially now with summer coming to an end and all of the upkeep for the summer, we should be able to get over to the Sunridge side with painting soon.

Trustee Lufrano stated okay. Is there a rotation for the for the speed the trailer. Just a general rotation? Or do you just pull it wherever you think?

General Manager Chris Johnson stated we just pull it wherever, I mean most of the time we'll get calls, people will call about traffic and speeding, and we'll just move it to that area. The thing is, we don't just pull it there for one day or two days because it doesn't do anything at that point, really. You have to saturate the area. So, I tend to leave it for 1 to 2 weeks in each area. And then when I put it on one side of the road, when it's done there, I'll move it down just a distance and put it facing the opposite side of the road. That way I'm catching data from both directions.

Chairman Stulac stated that'd be great because on South Sunridge coming up where they if they don't, if they don't make a right, they fly up over the top-down past. So that's great. If you eventually flip it to the other side facing the way, then then it would catch them flying up the hill whether they make the right but a lot of them continue straight because if they're coming from that golf course community, the Springs, then they just come up and over it. That's one of the things.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated so one thing to keep in mind is a lot of people really don't like it when we park that right in front of their house. You know, they're in their living room and this thing's right out front outside of their living room window, flashing orange as people are driving by. So, we try to be strategic in where we place it. So, it's not sitting right in front of someone's house out there, which when you drive through the district, you'll notice that there's not that many of those places out there where you can just throw that stuff.

Trustee Lufrano stated so I guess kind of piggybacking on Trustee Garcia's comment about maybe providing direction to you. I guess I what I would say, and this is not just me. I'm,

more asking the board. I suppose I would propose and I'm not saying do some big study, Chris, I think you probably could come up with a list right off the top of your head, but maybe I'm wrong on that. I would say maybe identify crosswalk areas that that you might say, if we can. I'm calling them stanchions, but that's probably not the right word. Where you could might be able to add stanchions or if that was a possibility. Maybe identify areas like that for us. Well, maybe for us to have further discussion. Identify areas or crosswalks that need painting. Like right now and again, I understand that you guys have a rotation. So, or you know, you do them as needed. But maybe identify a rotation for the troubled roads with the speeding to pull out the trailer the speed trailer. And again, I kind of think I don't want to downplay the significance of your time in doing all of this, but I'm wondering if it's just. Yeah, I happen to know that this road, this road are all areas that need the speed trailer and a rotation for that speed trailer. Maybe identify areas that need stop signs if that is something we're going to look at and we're going to ask Jon Erb to do some kind of study. I don't know. I again, these are just ideas. And then of course, you already said you would meet with DCSO and try to get a, some more, you know, a heavier presence of the sheriff up here. Those are just my ideas. So again, just throwing that out to the board as maybe areas that we can pull some data in and talk about it again or, you know, have consideration even if it's just you pull the data, you make the decision on what you're going to do. Because we understand that that you're engaged in the, in the community with a lot of these things, I guess I would say.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated that you had a list of crosswalks that need be done, and a rotation set up for the speed trailer consideration of where stop signs are just. I'm making a list that I emailed myself.

Trustee Lufrano stated yeah so crosswalks where we might put, I'm calling them stanchions, but probably not the right word.

Chairman Stulac stated those little white poles.

Trustee Lufrano stated Yeah. Yeah.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated bollards.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated so they're actually not bollards, but these, these little things, those white things. If you run those over, I don't just knock them down. Bollards will not go down it will stop your car.

Trustee Lufrano stated my concern about those is, you know, we're hearing about the, the park getting torn up is that people are going to go along and break them down on purpose and I but maybe we have another, you know, more conversation or consideration about it again, whether that's whether it's come back here or you just do what you feel is the right thing to do as the general manager.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated thank you. I will definitely research into those. And the thing as we talked about, the thing for those is to cause people to make a wider turn at an

intersection to increase the safety of at a crosswalk. So, I'll look at where those areas are going to be primarily like down here near your house at gosh, Plymouth.

Trustee Lufrano stated and probably Mica and Vista Grande. And, you know, I mean, I'm just thinking of areas off the top of my head.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated well, yeah.

Trustee Lufrano stated there's a lot of as you stated, there are probably we might be opening up a can of worms.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated the thing is like Mica and Vista Grande. The crosswalks are set up so that the ramps are there. The ADA ramps and those ADA ramps have a lot to do with it. So, the ADA ramps or the ramps for the crosswalks are there and the concrete comes out and around. So, like at Mica and Vista Grande. We're not really going to need to look at that. Not that we could because Mica drive isn't ours. That's the county's so but you know, that's something I'll worry about.

Trustee Lufrano stated but we're talking about Mica. Mica and South Sunridge.

Chairman Stulac stated North Sunridge.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated that's our side of Mica. Sorry, I should clarify. That's our side of Mica over there. This side is county.

Trustee Lufrano stated yeah, okay. Gotcha. It makes total sense.

General Manager Chris Johnson: So actually, and I've told people this a lot when you're driving through the district. If you're wondering if it belongs to Indian Hills or Douglas County, if it has a sidewalk, it's ours. If it doesn't have a sidewalk, it's Douglas County's. And now that I've mentioned that you'll drive through, and you'll see areas where the sidewalk just ends.

Chairman Stulac: So okay. All right. Well, I think with Chris we appreciate Chris offering to do the, the add that that flash on the median pole and to look at these other issues. It looks like we don't, I don't believe we really need a motion. Then it sounds like he's already volunteered to report back to us on those items. Does anybody disagree with that or feel okay. So, I think we can go ahead and move on to item eight.

No action was taken on this item.

### 8. Discussion only regarding Board Members Fiduciary duties.

Trustee Dunham stated so, I see that most everybody has a board packet. And this is something that Bob Stulac and I were talking about a couple board meetings ago. Excuse me if I'm a little bit slow here. And I started reading different information that when I first started running for this position as a trustee and there was a lot of reading involved. And so, the one thing that helps me is go through and read it more than once. So, I started reading

different things. And this one here struck me as something that we could just bring up to as a reminder of why not only myself, but all these board members and also Chris being the manager. These are things that should commonly transfer over to common citizen, and it basically has to do with honesty and integrity and doing what's right for the district, not what's right for me or any particular thing. Like Sharon has a problem that's a real stickler, having that trailer there and then putting a stop sign there. We all kind of understand that, especially on a curb, and people are flying around and my wife has a real problem backing out of the garage. So, we all have these things. So tonight, I feel really good about the open discussion and where we're going with some of the things that we've been talking about for quite a long time and have to remind myself and others, this is a government here, and the wheels move really slow compared to what I'm used to in the private sector.

But with that being said, this has really helped me. Also talking with Chris and Robert a lot and Kathryn and to slow myself down. And think Before, how somebody else can react to that or, you know, think of the other person. I believe you guys read this if you didn't get it. Yeah, I read it before. Yes. Well, that's all I'm trying to do is to bring this up and remind everybody. We all live here together. And sometimes it's difficult when a neighbor is really in my mind, not following the rules correct. The trailers are a problem, and it's been that way for 33 years of my living here. And with that being said, thank you for showing up tonight because I really try to make every meeting I can, and it's only been a sickness. And I have three more board meetings and thank you for allowing me to be here. And I do hope that I come to the board meetings because I've been telling people it's important you come to me and you know, and I feel bad because you voted for me and yeah, I want to do right by you. But how about coming here and listening to this and see what we have to put up with? So, thank you for showing up as many times as you have Sharon and Lynn.

Resident Sharon Buckley stated I kind of made it as one of my commitments. Well, now that you put. A passion for, but there's a lot of other things going on I'm very interested in, and I'd like to learn more.

Trustee Dunham stated I brought this up at one of the very first meetings because of somebody almost getting killed at Tourmaline in Vista Grande. He was drugged for 150 50 yards. So, she was sighted. He lived. But it cost of losing his spleen and a gimpy leg. Anyways, thank you. And appreciate you showing up.

Chairman Stulac stated is there discussion with the board and any comments on what Dale put out there?

#### **Public Comment: none**

Chairman Stulac stated Okay. There was no action, this was a discussion only item. And thanks for putting that in there. It's a good reminder, although this is kind of focused towards a homeowner's associations. But we certainly have a fiduciary responsibility, all of us as board members and what we what we signed into, what we when we were elected. And so, it's a good reminder. So, thank you.

Trustee Dunham stated you're welcome. Thank you to again, I can't express enough how many times I've tried to get people. You got to come, you know, you got to come or should come because you have something to say. So always appreciate it. Thank you.

# 9. Discussion and possible action to approve Draft Minutes from the August 21, 2024, Board meeting.

Trustee Lufrano stated a question for you, Chris. Do you know if Brooke just. I'm assuming Brooke does the minutes. General Manager Chris Johnson stated absolutely. Trustee Lufrano stated her question For example, on page 42. 42. Let me just ask the question based on a real item. So, number 42, the first full paragraph that's in there. So, it starts with Trustee Lufrano stated, Chris, that that one. Okay. Next to the last line, it says if we could at least get the deputies out, it may help. It is a temporary solution, but period. So, my question is, is she typing exactly what somebody says? Because I could see myself saying it's a temporary solution, but and then just quit talking, you know what I mean? So, I don't know if that is literally something to point out as, you know, something either maybe something accidentally got deleted or I don't know. But anyway, I.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated I do the same thing all the time, but I just leave it at the end. So NRS states that for public comment, she has to be pretty much verbatim because it's public comment as far as everything else she can say. Trustee Lufrano agreed that she doesn't have to go in and say that Trustee Lufrano discussed why she agrees and all this. But we have had the board has requested some more details in hers. So right now, she's working to balance it out between not giving us thirty pages of public comment or of minutes, but not just trimming it out. So. Okay. We actually are we. That's been a discussion that Brooke and I have had multiple times. And specifically, this week we're looking at a subscription service where it will take our recording and just transcribe it for her, which is a big thing, because right now we're having four-hour meetings. Brooke sits and listens to that tape and begins to type out everything. Yeah.

Trustee Lufrano stated I was only asking, based on the comment, whether I have any suggestions for changes. And so, my answer, I suppose, would be no, but I still have that question.

Chairman Stulac stated okay. Hey, while we're right there on that page, there's the one typo I just wanted to have corrected was on forty-two at the very top above trustee. The paragraph the word is supposed to be state. There it says s a t e it was referring to. Oh, what? I had seen a lot at the state when I worked for the state. So that should be the words s t a t e in capitalized, that's all. Just for the sake of the record being right at the top of page 42. And that was the only thing I wanted to catch. Anybody else with the meeting minutes. Anything else, all right, well, then fifteen times and there's no public comment left to vote here. So, we just need to make that one change. So, if we could just get maybe a motion from someone.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated to make that change, a motion to approve the minutes with the corrections, with the one.

Chairman Stulac stated yes, the correction on page 42. Yeah.

#### **Public comment: none**

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman motioned to approve Draft Minutes from the August 21, 2024 Board Meeting with the correction to State on page 6. Vice Chairman Garcia seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

## 10. Chairman and Trustees Reports, Correspondence

Under this item the Board Members will briefly identify relevant communications received by them before the meeting, or meetings attended, or potential business of the district. No action will be taken on any of these items, but a member may request such item or topic be placed on a future agenda.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated Let's take a seat. It's gonna be a long one. I'm just kidding. Yeah. There was. We did have a potluck in the community. And the community was thankful that the leak on Dog Leg and then on Chip Creek. And then, actually, they went back to Chip Creek and found that there was a dual leak. So that has been addressed to. So, the community is thankful. But also, the question came up, well, do we have an aging infrastructure? Is this a coincidence that we've had three different things in the same area? Do we, you know, I know we have the camera now and are we being proactive to try and take a look at the infrastructure to make sure. Can we maybe take a look at the infrastructure to see if it needs more attention.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated that camera. Yeah, that's a sewer camera.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated oh it does sewer only.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated you do not want to use that in a water pipe. So, it's not in your neighborhood.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated ok that's something I will take back to the community actually.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated your infrastructure is some of the younger infrastructure in the district. So, we're not concerned about it. This is just a coincidence. Strangely enough, things tend to happen in threes.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated that's true. So, Chuck is very happy you guys get back out there and we're willing to revisit it. So, the community at large is appreciative of the work that your team has done, so please pass that on. Thank you.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated I will definitely pass that on.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated I have a neighbor who asked me if we'd ever considered covered parking with solar panels on top, in the park. I said well, we haven't that I'm aware of, but I'll certainly ask. He said there's all kinds of grants out there for them. He said you could run the GID office on just the solar panels on the parking right around the GID office. I don't know enough about it.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated the National Guard did it.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated yeah, they have a huge parking lot.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated that's hundreds and hundreds of thousands of dollars. Oh, yeah. Yeah. Chris stated actually, that solar has been a pain in our neck because it's also older. But we did have a company come out. We had one panel that's cracked, but it's not bad. It's still generating. And he's like, if it's still generating, don't touch it. Just, you know, leave it alone. But so, the solar is working, but we are going to have to look at replacing the inverter in it because the inverter goes bad. And so that's going to be probably thirty to \$40,000 to replace that inverter. Which is why when we're looking at it, I'm like, well, how much are we saving? You know how much are we making off of our solar, which at this point you saw our electrical bills doubled last year, so it is worth it. But that is something that's on our radar. We're watching it closely on how much it's a benefit that solar is to us compared to what it's going to cost to replace that inverter.

Vice Chairman Garcia stated it's a cost benefit analysis. But I did do a presentation a while back and showed that that the kilowatt price per kilowatt has gone down from dollars to cents. The old technology was very expensive, and it's subject to be outmoded very quickly. So maybe it's worth revisiting. So yes. Good point Chris.

Chairman Stulac stated where is that solar power?

General Manager Chris Johnson stated at the wastewater plant.

Chairman Stulac stated at the wastewater plant, that's right. At the wastewater. Yeah, I do remember seeing it.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated it's hidden back out there, but it's right there at the wastewater.

Trustee Lufrano stated so just a question again on the fire mitigation behind the homes.

General Manager Chris Johnson said yes, I have a note right there. Okay. I forgot to mention that in my report. I'm like, oh, I can't forget to tell Vicki that. So, I put it right back at the top. Yes. So, I did talk to Matt and Ryan since they've been here for a while. We Ryan borrowed a ditch witch basically from a construction company and went through and did that ditch. But we've never done the mitigation of the open area back there. The we did that with a grant through NDF, through Firewise, which is they did some fuels reduction up here. But I'm talking to our fire wise again to see about getting another grant so we can go back through and do some more fuel mitigation through there.

Trustee Lufrano stated okay.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated so it is I'm going forward with it. We don't have the equipment to do it. We could rent it. But it's we've never done it. And we have to ask do we want to set that precedence. So.

Trustee Lufrano stated okay.

Secretary/Treasurer Siegman stated NDF came out and did it the last time.

Chairman Stulac stated Vicky where's this location?

Trustee Lufrano stated specifically, I was asking. Someone had asked me about kind of over along the trail or the trail. Like the trailhead at Coloma trailhead? Yeah, sort of back in that area.

Chairman Stulac stated Yeah. That's right, that's right. Thank you.

Trustee Lufrano stated Okay, so just so I have a right. Historically we borrowed a ditch which. But it's not really. Okay.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated but just for the ditch back there for. Because that's the water runoff. We have to watch out for the stormwater runoff. So that's why they did that. But we haven't done the fuels reduction of the level areas, which is right behind the fence, and then on the other side of the fence.

Trustee Lufrano stated so that's not really our responsibility. It's more NDF.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated no, it's not NDF's responsibility. That's our land out there.

Trustee Lufrano stated oh, okay.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated but we haven't done it historically. It's we have a lot of areas throughout the district where it's like that.

Chairman Stulac stated trying to use the fire.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated Fire Wise. Yes. Fire wise has the grants for that, which is when they came out here and did this a little bit right here out behind us, and then did all the big fields up here through the disc golf course and up behind the new Valley Vista seven development. So, okay, I'm working fire wise right now. Hopefully we'll just get it I mean, they're always looking for areas where they can go out and do fuels reductions.

Trustee Lufrano stated gotcha. Okay. Thank you. That's all I have.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated is this by chance the gentleman at I think he's at 817 Plymouth.

Trustee Lufrano stated I don't know what his address is.

General Manager Chris Johnson stated I know he called in last week. When he asked it, I thought it was the same gentleman because he called and asked the exact same question.

Trustee Lufrano stated could be I don't I don't know what his address is. No idea.

Chairman Stulac stated okay. Thank you. I don't have anything.

# 11. Adjournment

Trustee Lufrano motioned to adjourn the meeting. Secretary/Treasurer Siegman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:43P.M.

FINAL APPROVED MINUTES AS PRESENTED

Secretary/Treasurer Russ Siegman