

**SOUTH TRUCKEE MEADOWS GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT  
WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA**

TUESDAY

2:00 P.M.

AUGUST 27, 2002

PRESENT:

**Pete Sferrazza, Chairman**  
**Joanne Bond, Vice Chairman**  
**Jim Galloway, Commissioner**  
**Jim Shaw, Commissioner**  
**Ted Short, Commissioner**

**Amy Harvey, County Clerk**  
**Katy Singlaub, County Manager**  
**Madelyn Shipman, Legal Counsel**  
**Paul Orphan, Engineering Manager**

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

**AGENDA**

In accordance with the Open Meeting Law, on motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried, Chairman Sferrazza ordered that the agenda for the August 27, 2002 meeting be approved.

**MINUTES**

On motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Short, which motion duly carried, Chairman Sferrazza ordered that the minutes of the regular meeting of May 28, 2002, be approved.

**02-24STM    STATUS REPORT – GROUNDWATER LEVEL – SOUTH TRUCKEE MEADOWS**

Mike Widmer, Hydrogeologist, Utility Division, conducted an overhead screen presentation on the groundwater level status in the South Truckee Meadows (STM). He said the report is a five-year update on groundwater resources and shows the status of the water table in groundwater aquifers of the Galena and Mount Rose Fans in the STM since 1982. He discussed maps showing the South Truckee Meadows study area, what precipitation has done to groundwater in the last 20 years, and the changes in the water table between 1982 and 2002. He said that water level production and water level declines will increase in some areas and stabilize in other areas; and that their monitoring efforts will continue, and they hope to expand the study area into the

Steamboat and Pleasant Valley areas. Mr. Widmer responded to questions of the Board concerning groundwater level issues in the South Truckee Meadows.

On motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Shaw, which motion duly carried, Chairman Sferrazza ordered that the South Truckee Meadows Groundwater Level Status Report dated July, 2002 be approved.

**02-25STM REVISION – STMGID ANNEXATION POLICY**

Paul Orphan, Engineering Manager, advised that the current STMGID annexation policy prohibits eastside annexations above the 4800-foot elevation, and the proposed revision would allow some annexations under certain circumstances on a case-by-case basis. He said the criteria that would have to be met for annexation would include that the STMGID system could meet minimum domestic service and fire protection standards without detrimentally affecting the existing water system or placing an undue financial burden on the existing water users.

Mr. Orphan responded to questions of the Board advising there would be no additional dilution or burden placed on STMGID water rights by allowing this policy, and annexation would be approved by the Local Managing Board. He noted there is currently only one parcel above the 4800-foot elevation that would be affected by this policy revision, as it is the only parcel where STMGID can meet the minimum pressure requirements at the lot line. He said other parcels above 4800 feet would need to construct some infrastructure.

Chairman Sferrazza stated that it appears the proposed revision to the policy would enable an increase in density, if it is fully utilized. Legal Counsel Shipman advised there would be no further division of lots in the area, but there may be property owners that would seek water service. Those property owners would have to bring infrastructure and water rights and meet the STMGID criteria under the new policy.

Upon recommendation of the STMGID Local Managing Board, on motion by Commissioner Short, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried with Chairman Sferrazza voting "no," it was ordered that the revision to the STMGID Annexation Policy to allow eastside annexations above the 4800-foot elevation be approved.

**02-26STM MANAGEMENT REPORTS - AUGUST, 2002**

On motion by Commissioner Bond, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, Chairman Sferrazza ordered that receipt of the District's management and financial reports for the month of August, 2002 be acknowledged.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Sam Dehne, area resident, said he supported the concept of building a downtown convention center but was adamant that people must be properly compensated for their property, and this is not being done by the City of Reno.

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There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned.

**PETER J. SFERRAZZA**, Chairman  
South Truckee Meadows General  
Improvement District

**ATTEST:**

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

*Minutes Prepared By:  
Barbara Trow, Deputy County Clerk*