

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

TUESDAY

10:00 a.m.

MARCH 8, 2011

PRESENT:

**John Breternitz, Chairman**

**Bob Larkin, Trustee**

**Kitty Jung, Trustee**

**David Humke, Trustee\***

**Amy Harvey, County Clerk**

**Katy Simon, County Manager**

**Melanie Foster, Legal Counsel**

**Dwayne Smith, Acting Sr. Licensed Engineer**

ABSENT:

**Bonnie Weber, Vice Chairperson**

The Board convened at 10:35 a.m. in regular session in the Commission Chambers of the Washoe County Administration Complex, 1001 East Ninth Street, Reno, Nevada, and conducted the following business:

**11-16STM AGENDA ITEM 2**

**Agenda Subject:** “Public Comment. Comment heard under this item will be limited to two minutes per person and may pertain to matters both on and off the STMGID Board of Trustees agenda. The Trustees will also hear public comment during individual action items, with comment limited to two minutes per person. Comments are to be made to the Trustees as a whole.”

There was no response to the call for public comment.

**11-17STM AGENDA ITEM 3**

**Agenda Subject:** “Approve and authorize the Trustees’ Chairman to execute the Right of Entry and Hold Harmless Agreement allowing access to an existing STMGID exploratory well located on APN 049-165-05 for monitoring purposes during test pumping operations for STMGID Production Well No. 12.”

Dwayne Smith, Acting Sr. Licensed Engineer, explained in 2002 the need for additional water within the South Truckee Meadows General Improvement District (STMGID) service territory was identified. In response, STMGID initiated a program to determine an acceptable location for a new production well to satisfy demands on the west side of the South Truckee Meadows. Mr. Smith stated that two locations were

identified and exploratory test wells were subsequently drilled. He indicated that in 2008 one of the exploratory test wells was drilled on Parcel No. 049-165-05. He said the test pumping of that well identified the area as suitable for the placement of a permanent well and the exploratory well was sealed for future use.

**\*10:37 a.m.** Trustee Humke arrived at the meeting.

Mr. Smith stated that a permanent production well, STMGID Well No. 12, had been drilled and the existing exploratory well was now intended to be used during test pumping operations to measure groundwater table responses. He said the property owner had agreed to allow the Department of Water Resources access to the STMGID exploratory well to monitor the groundwater table during test pumping activities for the new Well No. 12.

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Trustee Larkin, seconded by Trustee Jung, which motion duly carried with Trustee Weber absent, it was ordered that Agenda Item 3 be approved, authorized and executed.

#### **11-18STM AGENDA ITEM 4**

**Agenda Subject: “Recommendation to authorize Washoe County Department of Water Resources to advertise and solicit bid proposals for construction of the Well No. 12 well house and equipment, site improvements, and transmission main (engineer’s estimate \$826,250); or, alternatively, to advertise and solicit bid proposals for the following components of the Well No. 12 project individually: 1) Well No. 12 well house and site improvements (engineer’s estimate \$461,250); 2) Well No. 12 Transmission Main (engineer’s estimate \$150,000); 3) Well No. 12 pump, motor, and controls (engineer’s estimate \$165,000); and, 4) Well No. 12 On-Site Sodium Hypochlorite Generation System (engineers estimate \$50,000).”**

Chairman Breternitz inquired if consideration was given to any further impacts that may occur to domestic wells from Well No. 12. Dwayne Smith, Acting Sr. Licensed Engineer, replied that the South Truckee Meadows General Improvement District (STMGID) was a groundwater system that relied primarily on their own resources for the west side. He explained STMGID could not meet their demands in the summer months and took water from Washoe County. Mr. Smith indicated most of that water came from the Tessa Well, which had impacted domestic well users in the Galena Fan area. He said the drilling and completion of Well No. 12 would allow STMGID to utilize their own well instead of relying on the Tessa Well. Mr. Smith said the well should have the beneficial effect of reducing the amount of draw down. In general, other domestic wells only lay to the north, but on the east, STMGID Well No. 12 was bounded by existing STMGID wells.

Chairman Breternitz said the research indicated that Well No. 12 would have a positive impact on the domestic wells that were currently experiencing draw downs. Mr. Smith clarified from the standpoint that STMGID would now rely upon Well No. 12 instead of the County well to take water.

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Trustee Jung, seconded by Trustee Humke, which motion duly carried with Trustee Weber absent, it was ordered that Agenda Item 4 be authorized.

**11-19STM    AGENDA ITEM 5**

**Agenda Subject: “Management Report”**

- (a)    Customer Water Usage Report – January 2011**
- (b)    Work Order Summary – January 2011**
- (c)    Financial Report – January 2011**
- (d)    Minutes of Local Managing Board regular meeting of January 6, 2011.”**

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Trustee Humke, seconded by Trustee Jung, which motion duly carried with Trustee Weber absent, it was ordered that Agenda Item 5 be accepted.

**11-20STM    AGENDA ITEM 6**

**Agenda Subject: “Trustees, LMB, and Staff Comments (limited to announcements, requests for information, statements relating to items not on the agenda or issues for future agendas.)”**

Steve Cohen, Local Managing Board (LMB) Chairman, stated the initial pump tests for Well No. 12 were moving forward and hoped that the well would be online by the end of the year. He said the financial analysis regarding the four options being considered for the future of STMGID had been presented to the LMB. Mr. Cohen stated a focus group had been established and were scheduled to meet and discuss those options. He noted that a joint meeting would be scheduled between the LMB and the Trustees to also discuss the four options. Chairman Breternitz inquired on the participants of the focus group. Mr. Cohen replied that many citizens had shown an interest in serving on the Focus Group. He explained that 10 to 12 STMGID customers were eventually chosen that represented the different demographics in STMGID.

Commissioner Jung said after the well had been online and data had been collected, she requested a report summarizing if the draw down from the Tessa Well had decreased, and the impacts on the domestic wells in the area. Mr. Smith indicated it would be several years before that information was obtainable, but would submit a report when that data was available.

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**10:45 a.m.** There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion by Trustee Jung, seconded by Trustee Humke, which motion duly carried with Trustee Weber absent, the meeting was adjourned.

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**JOHN BRETERNITZ**, Chairman  
South Truckee Meadows General  
Improvement District

**ATTEST:**

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

*Minutes Prepared by:  
Stacy Gonzales, Deputy County Clerk*