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The mission of the District is to provide, within its charter, those public facilities and services which maintain and improve the quality of life of its resident families, and to maintain and operate those facilities and services at the highest quality and in the most cost-effective manner as possible, with the intent to continue to do so for a growing population of residents.

From the General Manager's Desk

We have started our portion of the North Valley pipeline. The first phase of construction will be around our water plant, then under the highway towards the Carson River. We will be boring under both the highway and river. The section of the pipeline from the river east towards the main waterline coming from Minden should move along quickly.



You have seen some activity along Vista Grande in two different sections. The first section is at the intersection of Tourmaline and Vista Grande. The County is going to place a section of drainage pipe across Tourmaline, to help with the water that always builds up on the corner. Once the pipe is in place they will remove the portion of Vista Grande with the extremely bad potholes and repave it.

The corner of Vista Grande and Mica will see some much needed improvements as part of the Cottages housing project. They will set some sewer and water lines, repave a small section of Vista Grande, add curb and gutter on both sides of the new pavement and add a sidewalk along the east side that will wrap around the corner down to the Country store.

A Note from the Chair

After a long cold winter, spring has finally arrived! It is a joy to see my neighbors out working in their yards and enjoying our community parks. As you may have noticed the gazebo at Valley Vista Park has been completed and will be a welcome addition to this beautiful park.

With deepest regret, our Board has accepted our General Manager's letter of resignation effective April 1st. To honor his service to the District, the Indian Hills G.I.D. staff and your Board of Trustees hosted a small retirement party for Mr. Taylor. It was well attended. Mr. Taylor we thank you for your loyalty, strong work ethics and the endless hours that you gave to IHGID every week. Your dedication will impact our community for years to come.

Mr. John Lufrano has accepted the position as Interim General Manager. He has worked with the District as Field Operations Supervisor, and comes highly recommended by Mr. Taylor. We expect this to be a smooth transition, and welcome his experience and knowledge of the District.

Chief Steve Eisele, Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal of the East Fork Fire and Paramedic District, made a PowerPoint presentation of the Douglas County Emergency Response Plan at our February Board meeting. This is to introduce IHGID Board to a proposed District/community wide emergency plan. It was very informative, and we look forward to working with Chief Eisele in the future.

Warm Wishes,
Denise Pierini, Chairman

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Outside watering restrictions:
 ALL WATERING IS RESTRICTED BETWEEN 12:00 NOON AND 4:00P.M. Penalties and fines for violations will be imposed. The 1st violation is an oral or written warning, 2nd violation is a warning by certified mail and the 3rd violation is a fine of \$50.00 and your water will be shut off, waste of any kind is prohibited at all times.



We encourage you to visit our new and improved website at www.indianhillsnevada.com for the latest Pipeline Updates, News and Events.

REMINDER: Bills are due the last business day of each month no later than 4:00PM. The drop box is checked promptly at 4:00. If your payment is not there you will be charged a late fee.

The IHGID Board normally meets once a month on the Third Wednesday of each month at 6:00, in the Board Room at James Lee Park. The public is encouraged to come and stay up to date on changes within the District. For more information about the Board Meeting or to be added to our agenda mailing list please contact the office.

Parks and Street Update

Parks:

Our seasonal staff has returned. We will now be able to cover our parks seven days a week until 7:00pm. Staff is working hard to aerate, thatch and fertilize all of our turf areas. We will be installing wind screens at the tennis courts. The dog park is up and running and everyone who uses it is doing a great job of cleaning up after their pets. We now have maps available for the District's hiking trails, you can stop by the office to pick one up.

The use of our parks and fields is in full swing with baseball, football, softball, tennis, skateboarding and picnicking. You may have noticed the gazebo that has been installed at Valley Vista Park.

Streets:

Our main focus in the spring time for our streets is spraying for weeds, painting crosswalks and street sweeping which is ongoing. Indian Hills GID would like to thank everyone for the patience and kind thoughts with snow plowing this past winter. The new policy worked well and we have received a lot of positive responses from residents.

We appreciated the great job residents have done when asked to trim/clean vegetation from their property, Thank you for your cooperation.



Recreation and Events Updates

With summer just around the corner it is time to start thinking about Indian Hills annual summer kick-off, which is scheduled for Saturday June 25th at 11:00 AM in James Lee Park.

The following is a schedule of events for the day:

- *BBQ (provided by IHGID)
- *Skate Contest (hosted by 702)
- *Slip and Slide which was a great addition last year
- *Tug of War contest which was very exciting with ages ranging from 5-55 competing
- *Hula Hoop contest which was extremely popular with the kids
- *Bounce House
- *Live Demos
- * Remote control car race (hosted by Sierra RC Club) and Hired Gunnz Band.

Hired Gunnz is a high energy Rock and Roll band that covers classics from the 60's to today's favorites. With a driving style and great stage presence, this talented group has been pleasing audiences all around Northern Nevada.



If you would like to participate in the Skate contest please contact 702 Skate and Snowboard shop directly to register at 775-267-3831 or to compete in the Remote control car race contact the Sierra RC Club members at Hobbytown USA 775-883-5553.



As always Indian Hills GID Recreation Department is seeking donations from local stores and business owner's in the area that will be given out as prizes during the event, IHGID will proudly announce your company as a sponsor throughout the day, on our website, local newspapers and the I.H.G.I.D. newsletter. You may also provide us with your business banners or signage/flyers to be displayed. Any donation your company contributes to this event will be truly appreciated. The Recreation Department is always seeking volunteers during events; if you are interested or should you have any questions please do not hesitate to give us a call at 267-2805 x 28.

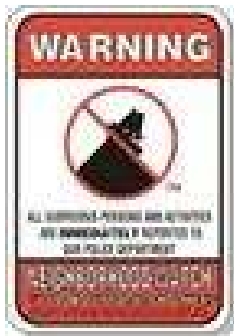
STORM WATER MANAGEMENT

Storm water runoff is precipitation from rain or snow melt that flows over the ground. As it flows, over driveways, lawns and sidewalks, it can pick up debris, chemicals, dirt and other pollutants and deposit them into a storm sewer system, or directly to a lake, stream, river, wetland or coastal water. Anything that enters a storm sewer system is discharged untreated into the water bodies we use for swimming, fishing and providing drinking water. Polluted runoff is the nation's greatest threat to clean water. When washing your vehicles use a commercial car wash or wash your car on a lawn or other unpaved surface to minimize the amount of dirty, soapy water flowing into the storm drain. Check your car, boat, motorcycle and other machinery and equipment for leaks and spills. Make repairs as soon as possible. Clean up fluids with an absorbent material like kitty litter or sand, and don't rinse the spills into a nearby storm drain. Recycle used oil and other automotive fluids at participating service stations. Don't dump these chemicals down the storm drain or dispose of them in your trash. When walking your pet, remember to pick up the waste and dispose of it properly. Flushing pet waste is the best disposal method. Leaving pet waste on the ground increases public health risks by allowing harmful bacteria and nutrients to wash into the storm drain and eventually into local water bodies. On a routine basis, District staff performs preventative maintenance on catch basins and storm water detention areas. The District sweeps streets and gutters to prevent debris from entering storm drains. In an effort to save water we have residents landscaping their yards with dirt, bark or rocks. The problem we are experiencing is when residents have material dropped off at their residence nothing is being done to temporarily block off the storm drains in front of their homes. We have removed a large amount of river rocks ranging from 2" diameter to 10" diameter. To avoid damage to the storm drains please refrain from placing materials on them or temporarily cover the manholes until the material is removed from the street.

GRAFFITI AND VANDALISM:

Indian Hills has had several calls about graffiti around the District. If you witness or see graffiti please contact the office immediately. This will allow us to take the proper steps in removing it. We will need to come out and take pictures, make a report with the Sheriff's office and then we can remove it.

There have also been reports of theft in the area. The Douglas County Sheriff's office and Indian Hills GID is asking residents to lock your cars and not leave anything outside that you treasure. There have been reports of items stolen from cars in the past few weeks. If you see this type of activity happening please contact the Sheriff's office.



MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT:

As taxpayers of Douglas County, Indian Hills residents who are having problems with mosquitoes can contact the Douglas Mosquito Abatement District at 775-782-4642 to have them taken care of. While the District actively controls mosquitoes throughout the County, residents play an important role as well.

Prevention is also key in reducing the spread of West Nile virus. The following preventive actions are recommended by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to reduce individual risk of mosquito-borne illness:

- *Eliminate areas of standing water, bird baths, unmaintained swimming pools, sprinkler runoff, irrigation boxes, pots/buckets all of which support mosquito breeding.

- *Make sure doors and windows have tight-fitting screens without tears or holes.

- *Avoid spending time outside when mosquitoes are most active, notably at dusk and dawn.

- *Wear long pants and long-sleeved shirts when outside.

- * Apply insect repellent containing DEET according to manufacturer's directions. Repellents containing picaridin and oil of lemon eucalyptus also have some efficacy. However DEET is the best studied and most effective repellent available. Remember to reapply frequently as needed.

WATER MAIN FLUSHING

Indian Hills General Improvement District will be flushing the District's water mains commencing on the morning of Monday May 2nd through May 5th.

Flushing is necessary to remove collected debris from our water mains such as sand and to flush "red" water from dead end lines to improve water quality and appearance.

You may find that your water is temporarily discolored or has some suspended particles visible. This condition is temporary and running your faucets will clear up the problem.

It is advisable to not do laundry while we are flushing the system as clothes could be stained or spotted from the discolored water.

We will be flushing the North and South Sunridge areas on May 2nd and 3rd; this will be all streets East of Highway 395.

Flushing will be done West of Highway 395 on May 4th and 5th.

Thank you ahead of time for your patience and co-operation in this matter.



PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE TO REVIEW AND ADOPT THE FINAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012.

The public is invited to a Public Hearing that will be held at the Indian Hills General Improvement District Office at 3394 James Lee Park Road on Thursday May 19th, 2011 at 6:00 P.M. to review and adopt the final budget for fiscal year 2011-2012.

The tentative budget for Indian Hills General Improvement District has been prepared in such detail and on appropriate forms as prescribed the Nevada Department of Taxation.

Copies of the tentative budget are on file and available for inspections at the District's office located at 3394 James Lee Park Road, The Douglas County Clerk's office and the Department of Taxation.

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