

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE TWENTYNINE PALMS WATER DISTRICT
72401 HATCH ROAD, TWENTYNINE PALMS, CA 92277**

DECEMBER 20, 2017 / 6:00 P.M.

Call to Order and Roll Call

Vice President Giannini called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., 72401 Hatch Road, Twentynine Palms, California. Those responding to roll call were Directors Bob Coghill, Carol Giannini, Suzi Horn, and Randy Leazer. Director Sam Moore was absent. Also present were General Manager Ray Kolisz, Financial Consultant Cindy Byerrum, Operations Superintendent Mike Minatrea, and District Secretary Cindy Fowlkes.

Pledge of Allegiance

Director Giannini led the pledge.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

None

Public Comments

Suzie Horn, as a citizen of Twentynine Palms, commended District employee, Tim Gomieo, for his professionalism and assistance in responding to a major leak at Luckie Park. It was determined the leak was the responsibility of the city, but Tim went above and beyond trying to prevent further water loss.

Ed Vallerand, of Twentynine Palms, commended staff and the Board for their efficiency in running the District.

Kyle Kolisz, son of General Manager Ray Kolisz, asked the Board to consider bring your child to work day.

1. Consider Resolution 17-14 Adopting the Legislative and Regulatory Committee Policy Principles

Adan Ortega with Ortega Strategies Group provided an update to the Board regarding AB 401 and SB 623 that will have a direct impact on the District. SB 623 will create a \$1.00 charge up to \$10.00 per meter, depending on the size, to create funds for disadvantage communities. However, these funds would not be kept within the District. The committee will be watching and commenting on conservation standards set by the state that are not necessarily conducive to living in the desert.

Staff recommends adopting Resolution 17-14.

Director Horn made a motion to approve Resolution 17-14 Adopting the Legislative and Regulatory Committee Policy Principles, seconded by Director Leazer, and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes:	Directors Coghill, Giannini, Horn, and Leazer
Noes:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Director Moore

2. Consent Calendar
- Minutes of a Regular Meeting held on November 15, 2017
 - Audit List

Director Coghill moved to approve the Consent Calendar, seconded by Director Horn, and approved unanimously.

3. Items Removed from the Consent Calendar for Discussion or Separate Action
None

4. Management Reports

4.1 Operations

The District responded to 26 Underground Service Alerts, had 0 water main leaks, 3 water meter leaks, 0 service line leaks, 0 fire hydrant repairs, performed 0 customer pressure checks, replaced 1 meter, replaced 3 customer gate valves, and installed 1 new service. Water production was up 1.5% as compared to the same month in 2013.

4.2 Finance

Ms. Byerrum reported that the revenues are at 40% with expenditures just under 33%. The Audit will be provided to the Board in January.

4.3 General Manager

Mr. Kolisz attended the Mojave Water Integrated Regional Water Management Plan TAC meeting. Five projects were submitted for consideration: AMR/AMI automated meter reading, Salt Nutrient Management Plan, Fluoride Treatment redundancy, Well 11B, and outreach funding. The projects were approved to be included on a list for further review. A mini excavator was purchased for field staff. Drilling will begin in early January for Well 11B. The District had their first recognition luncheon on the 19th. Five employees were recognized for service milestones.

5. Future Agenda Items and Staff Tasks/Directors' Comments and Reports

Director Giannini and Board asked Ray to create a policy for bringing kids to work day. Director Giannini wished everyone a Merry Christmas and commended staff for their hard work.

The District Secretary's son Tyler Fowlkes, was asked by the Board to introduce himself and tell a little about his experiences at UCLA.

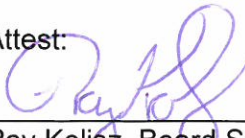
6. Adjournment

On motion by Director Horn, seconded by Director Coghill, and approved by the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.



Carol Giannini, Vice President
Board of Directors

Attest:



Ray Kolisz, Board Secretary
Twentynine Palms Water District