

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

MARCH 28, 2018 / 6:00 P.M.

Call to Order and Roll Call

President Moore 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, Randy Leazer, and Sam Moore. Also present were General Manager Ray Kolisz, Operations Superintendent Mike Minatrea, Financial Consultant Cindy Byerrum, and District Secretary Cindy Fowlkes.

Pledge of Allegiance

Director Moore led the pledge.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

None

Public Comments

None

1. Consideration of Resolution 18-04 Intention to Continue Currently Existing Water Availability Assessments of the Twentynine Palms Water District in the Upcoming Fiscal Year 2018/2019
Staff recommends adopting the resolution.

Director Giannini made a motion to adopt Resolution 18-04 intention to continue currently existing water availability assessments for the fiscal year 2018/2019, seconded by Director Horn, and approved by the following roll call vote:

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

2. Review Legislative Committee's Recommendation to Oppose SB 998; Support in Concept ACA 21; Support AB 2060; and Authorize the General Manager to Submit Letters

The committee has been discussing legislative bills that will have an impact on the District, if passed. Adan Ortega, was present to answer questions from the Board. The committee recommends opposing SB 998. This bill would prohibit residential service from being shut off under specified circumstances resulting in the District/rate-payers subsidizing non-paying or delinquent customers. The committee supports ACA 21, in concept, allowing funds to be allocated for specified infrastructure investments. The committee also supports AB 2060. This bill would allow advance payments, 50% of the grant award, for projects in which the project proponent is a nonprofit organization, disadvantage community or the project benefits a disadvantaged community. This will permit the State Water Resources Control Board to expedite the awarding of grants.

Staff recommends supporting the committee's stance on the bills.

Director Horn made a motion to support the Legislative Committee's recommendations, seconded by Director Giannini, and approved by the following roll call vote:

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

3. Review and Discussion of General Manager Evaluation Form

The Board expressed a desire to change the General Manager's evaluation form. The Board was presented with three different evaluation forms for review. The Board favored the simplicity of Form C and agreed to use it for the next evaluation.

4. Discussion of Customer Required Deposit

At a previous Board meeting, Director Moore asked that customer required deposits be included for discussion. The District currently requires a \$75 deposit upon the implementation of water service. Service that has been turned off for non-payment constitutes a new service when reconnected. The policy currently has no language allowing the waiver of the deposit fee.

5. Consent Calendar

- Minutes of a Regular Meeting held on February 28, 2018
- Audit List

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

6. Items Removed from the Consent Calendar for Discussion or Separate Action

None

7. Management Reports

7.1 Operations

The District responded to 29 Underground Service Alerts, had 0 water main leaks, 0 water meter leaks, 0 service line leaks, 2 fire hydrant repairs, performed 3 customer pressure checks, replaced 11 meters, replaced 4 customer gate valves, and installed 1 new service. 3 water waste complaints were received. Water production was down .02% as compared to the same month in 2013. The District has been testing 20 AMI meters for the past two months, purposely stressing them, to see if they fail. So far, all meters are performing very well.

7.2 Finance

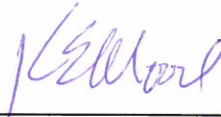
Ms. Byerrum reported, total operating revenue and budget expenses are on track for this time of the year with expenses at 58%. A full media change out was performed at the Treatment Plant resulting in an unforeseen expenditure. The budget will be presented to the Board in May for review. The District received a reimbursement check from ACWA/JPIA for the asphalt repair at the 801 housing.

7.3 General Manager

Mr. Kolisz reported testing at Well 11B was conducted. Water treatment options will be reviewed. The annual Landscape Tour will be held on April 28-29. Ray will be in Sacramento on April 5th for a Water Affordability workshop with Adan sitting

on the panel. On April 11th Ray will be part of a Shaping Legislation panel at Victor Valley College.

8. Future Agenda Items and Staff Tasks/Directors' Comments and Reports
Director Moore questioned the District's obligations to 801 housing should the government discontinue their housing contract.
9. Adjournment
On motion by Director Horn, seconded by Director Coghill, and approved by the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.



Kerron E. Moore, President
Board of Directors

Attest:



Ray Kolisz, Board Secretary
Twentynine Palms Water District

APPROVED APR 25 2010