

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

October 24, 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, Maintenance Superintendent Matt Shragge, Financial Consultant Cindy Byerrum, and Victoria Pinilla. District Secretary Cindy Fowlkes was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Director Moore led the pledge.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

There were none.

Public Comments

Ed Vallerand Compared JBWD to us, said our organization is more cost effective, have much more qualified people here, water treatment and distribution is run smoothly, everyone is really nice, even before the forgiveness, board has done an outstanding job, never recalls a boil notice, thanked us.

1. Presentation and Discussion of Legislative Policy Priorities for 2019
This item was heard after Agenda #7 due to Ortega Strategies being delayed by traffic.
2. Consider Adoption of Resolution 18-14 Revising the Policy for Mainline Extensions
Staff recommends approving Resolution 18-14.

Director Horn, made a motion to approve Resolution 18-14 revising the policy for mainline extensions, 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. Consider Adoption of Resolution 18-15 to Amend Conflict of Interest Code
Staff recommends adopting Resolution 18-15 amending the conflict of interest code to reflect the organizational changes that took place with the reclassification of a position and the creation of a new position in the organizational structure of the District.
Director Giannini, made a motion to approve Resolution 18-15 amending the Conflict of Interest Code, 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

4. Consider for Approval Engineering Services for Well TP-2

Staff recommends accepting the proposal from Engineering Resources of Southern California to provide engineering services for TP-2 in the amount of \$74,100. The District needs redundancy at the fluoride removal treatment plant to ensure the ability to meet water demands of the distribution system.

Director Coghill made a motion to accept the proposal from Engineering Resources of Southern California in the amount of \$74,100.00, seconded by Director Leazer, and approved by the following roll call vote:

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

5. Accept the Construction and Equipping of Well 11B and File a Notice of Completion
Staff recommends accepting the Well 11B project as complete and direct staff to file a Notice of Completion.

Director Horn, made a motion to accept the Well 11B project as complete and directed staff to file a Notice of Completion, seconded by Director Leazer, and approved unanimously.

6. Update on Bureau of Reclamation Grant Fund Application
The District's application for the AMI/AMR meter project will not be considered for funding among the 127 applications that were received. The District was seeking \$1 million dollars with a matching fund element. The Board would like staff to evaluate funding options.

Ed Vallerand of Twentynine Palms spoke in favor of installing AMI/AMR meters.

7. Review and Adjust Board Meeting Schedule for November and December
Following discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to keep November as scheduled and reschedule the regular Board meeting of December 26, 2018, to Wednesday, December 19, 2018 due to the holiday. Meeting will begin at its regular time, 6:00 p.m.

1. Presentation and Discussion of Legislative Policy Priorities for 2019
The Legislative and Regulatory Affairs committee recommends focusing on funding, drought, water quality, and water affordability for the upcoming legislative session that begins in 2019.

Director Giannini, made a motion to approve the 2019 public policy priorities for the District, 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

8. Consent Calendar
- Minutes of a Regular Meeting held on August 24, 2018
 - Audit List – September and August

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

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

10. Management Reports

10.1 Maintenance

Matt Shragge reported that the District responded to 31 Underground Service Alerts, had 1 water main leak, 5 water meter leaks, 0 service line leaks, 0 fire hydrant repairs, performed 1 customer pressure check, replaced 7 meters, replaced 5 customer gate valves, and installed 3 new services. 1 water waste inquiry was received.

10.2 Water Quality

Mike Minatrea reported Water production was up .11% as compared to the same month in 2013. 38 routine and 5 special water samples were taken. All samples tested negative for Colilert.

10.3 Finance

Mrs. Byerrum reported that revenue is ahead at 17%, typical for this time of year and tracking as expected. Paul will be at next meeting. The Audit came back good and will be presented to the Board at the next meeting.

10.4 General Manager

Mr. Kolisz informed the Board that the District was featured in an ACWA news article that showcased the District's fluoride and arsenic removal systems. The District was asked by Joshua Basin Water District to remain on standby for possible mutual aid during the recent flood. Ray thanked the staff for their quick response and willingness to assist.

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

Director Coghill commented that the District might want to explore a shade structure for all the new equipment that is being purchased.

12. Adjournment

On motion by Director Horn, seconded by Director Giannini, and approved by the Board, the meeting was adjourned at: 7:10 p.m.



Kerron E. Moore, President
Board of Directors

Attest:


Ray Kolisz, Board Secretary
Twentynine Palms Water District