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

December 19, 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 District Secretary Cindy Fowlkes.

Pledge of Allegiance

Director Moore led the pledge.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

There were none.

Public Comments

There were none.

Election of Officers

Director Horn nominated Director Giannini to serve as President, seconded by Director Coghill, and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes:

Directors Coghill, Giannini, Horn, Leazer, and Moore

Noes:

None

Abstain:

None

Absent:

None

Director Moore nominated Director Horn to serve as Vice-President, 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

The General Manager, Ray Kolisz, will serve as the Board Secretary, which is common practice with most Districts.

2. <u>Discussion of Community Water System Alliance Formation and Approval to Contribute Funding</u>

Participation at the \$10,000 level allows the District to be part of the policy council that will guide the Community Water System Alliance. Staff recommends the District participate at the \$10,000 level.

Adan Ortega was present and updated the Board on the Legislative Committee's efforts on creating an alliance with other water districts to give voice to elected officials who represent disadvantage communities. Costs of representation will be shared amongst the Community Water System Alliance members.

Director Leazer, made a motion to contribute \$10,000 to the Community Water System Alliance Formation, seconded by Director Horn, and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes:

Directors Coghill, Giannini, Horn, Leazer, and Moore

Noes:

None

Abstain: Absent:

None None

3. Consent Calendar

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

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

4. <u>Items Removed from the Consent Calendar for Discussion or Separate Action</u> None

5. <u>Management Reports</u>

5.1 Maintenance

Matt Shragge reported that the District responded to 47 Underground Service Alerts, had 1 water main leak, 0 water meter leaks, 1 service line leak, 4 fire hydrant repairs, performed 8 customer pressure checks, replaced 12 meters, replaced 2 customer gate valves, and installed 2 new services. 0 water waste inquiries were received. 568 work orders were performed during the month. Neal Stephenson, Austin Meyers, Jeremy McCool, and Zach Siedschlag were commended for their hard work repairing a 16" water main break.

5.2 Water Quality

Mike Minatrea reported Water production was down 5.19% as compared to the same month in 2013. 38 routine and 7 special water samples were taken. All samples tested negative for Colilert. 57,000,000 gallons of water was produced in November.

Ed Vallerand, of Twentynine Palms, requested to have the fluoride variance be listed on future reports.

5.3 Finance

Ms. Byerrum reported that revenues are at 39% for the fiscal year with expenses at 33%. A working budget for next fiscal year has been prepared to help project upcoming cash flow and CIP projects. The budget is expected to be presented to the Board at the next Board meeting.

5.4 General Manager

Mr. Kolisz informed the Board that he and Cindy are looking at funding for the AMI/AMR project. Ray will be speaking with the Bureau of Reclamation to get insight as to why the District was denied grant funding for that project. Ray was a guest speaker at a recent Rotary meeting, reporting on the history of the District and future projections. He and Director Coghill attended Assemblyman Chad Mayes' open House last Friday.

Future Agenda Items and Staff Tasks/Directors' Comments and Reports
 Director Horn thanked Director Moore for his service as the Board President.
 Director Giannini thanked Director Moore for twenty years of service on the Board.

7.

Adjournment
On motion by Director Giannini, seconded by Director Coghill, and approved by the Board, the meeting was adjourned at: 6:24 p.m.

Carol Giannini, President

Board of Directors

Attest:

Ray Kolisz, Board Secretary Twentynine Palms Water District