

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

April 24, 2019 / 6:00 P.M.

Call to Order and Roll Call

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, Randy Leazer, and Neal Stephenson. Also present were General Manager Ray Kolisz, Treatment/Production Superintendent Mike Minatrea, Maintenance Superintendent Matt Shragge, Financial Consultant Cindy Byerrum, and District Secretary Cindy Fowlkes.

Pledge of Allegiance

Ray Kolisz led the pledge.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

None

Public Comments

None

1. Discussion of District Logo and Branding

Staff brought forth several logo ideas for consideration, developed with the assistance of Ortega Strategies Group and Mike Samuel Graphics. The idea is to capture the services provided to the community and clearly identify the District.

The Board directed staff to continue the work on a new logo.

Ed Vallerand, of Twentynine Palms, spoke in favor of a logo representative of the innovation of the treatment plant instead of a water droplet that may be confused with the gas company.

Neal Stephenson, Jr., of Twentynine Palms, spoke in favor of a design that includes the verbiage 29 Water.

2. Consideration of Resolution 19-06 Changing the Time of Regular Board Meetings

Ed Vallerand, of Twentynine Palms, spoke in favor of tabling this item.

Director Coghill made a motion to change the time of the regularly scheduled Board meetings to a 4:00 p.m., seconded by Director Horn, and approved by the following roll call vote:

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

3. Consent Calendar

- Minutes of a Regular Meeting held on March 27, 2019
- Audit List

Director Horn, moved to approve the Minutes and Audit List, seconded by Director Leazer, and approved unanimously.

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

None

5. Management Reports

5.1 Maintenance

Matt Shragge reported that the District responded to 43 Underground Service Alerts, had 0 water main leaks, 2 water meter leaks, 0 service line leaks, 3 fire hydrant repairs and 72 painted, performed 2 customer pressure checks, replaced 10 meters, replaced 3 customer gate valves, and installed 1 new service. 0 water waste inquiries were received. 310 work orders were generated and performed during the month. The Buena Vista hydrant repair cost was billed at \$4,700, and the District recovered \$3,076. Over 200 AMI/AMR meters have been installed to date.

5.2 Water Quality

Mike Minatrea reported Water production was down 29.90% as compared to the same month in 2013. 38 routine and 9 special water samples were taken. All samples tested negative for Colilert. 50,000,000 gallons of water was produced in the month of March.

5.3 Finance

Cindy Byerrum reported the District is at 70% of revenue with expenses at 67%. The draft budget will be presented in May, as well as a revised reserve policy.

5.4 General Manager

Mr. Kolisz informed the Board that the District obtained an easement for the customer who requested a mainline extension. Ray met with Senator Grove and expressed concerns about the proposed water tax and the lack of grants available for agencies like Twentynine Palms Water District. The District filed a notice of intent with the California Office of Services and was notified it was approved. The District's legal council has approved the language for the AMI/AMR battery warranties. Ray and Matt visited Fallbrook Water District and was shown how they implemented AMI/AMR technology.

Ed Vallerand, of Twentynine Palms, commented on the purchase of old meters.

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

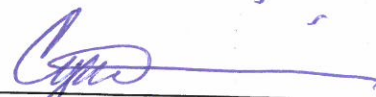
Director Horn acknowledged a ratepayer's letter of appreciation for Matt Shragge and thanked him for his outstanding service.

Director Stephenson thanked sitting Board members for appointing him to the Board of Directors.

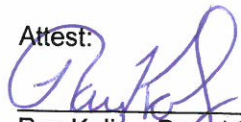
Director Giannini welcomed Director Stephenson and thanked Adan and Gabriel for their attendance.

7. Adjournment

On motion by Director Horn, seconded by Director Coghill, and approved by the Board, the meeting was adjourned at: 7:03 p.m.



Carol Giannini, President
Board of Directors

Attest:


Ray Kolisz, Board Secretary
Twentynine Palms Water District