

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

November 17, 2021 / 4:00 P.M.

Call to Order and Roll Call

President Giannini called the Board meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Those responding to roll call were Michael Arthur, Bob Coghill, Carol Giannini, and Suzi Horn. Director Randy Leazer was late. Also present were General Manager Ray Kolisz, Director of Operations Matt Shragge, and District Secretary Cindy Fowlkes. Treatment/Production Superintendent Mike Minatrea and Financial Consultant Cindy Byerrum were absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Neal Stephenson led the pledge.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

None

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

1. Emergency Generator Award

Two bids were received for a replacement emergency generator that will run the administrative building and mechanic shop. The generator will be purchased with grant funding through Cal OES. Staff recommends accepting the proposal from Hi-Desert Industrial Electric.

Director Arthur made a motion to accept the proposal from Hi-Desert Industrial Electric in the amount of \$34,075.00, seconded by Director Horn, and unanimously approved.

2. Consideration to Accept Mainline Extension

A mainline extension on Jackass Trail south of Foothill Drive has been completed by the Van Dyke Corporation and has met the District's installation standards and specifications. Staff recommends accepting the mainline extension.

Director Arthur made a motion to accept the mainline extension, seconded by Director Horn, and unanimously approved.

3. Consent Calendar

- Minutes of a Regular Meeting held on October 27, 2021
- Audit List

Director Coghill, moved to approve the Minutes and Audit List, seconded by Director Arthur, and unanimously approved.

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 62 Underground Service Alerts, had 0 water main leaks, 0 water meter leaks, 0 service line leaks, 1 fire hydrant repair/maintenance, installed 2 new services, replaced 3 customer gate valves, performed 6 leak audits, painted 50 fire hydrants, performed 9 customer pressure checks, replaced 5 meters, Tested and exercised emergency generators and sounded wells for October. 0 water waste inquiries were received. There were no shut offs due to COVID-19. 0 AMI/AMR meters were installed. There was a total of 261 work orders that were processed during the month.

5.2 Water Quality

Mike Minatrea was absent. Matt reported Water production was down 2.04% as compared to the same month in 2013. 40 routine and 12 special water samples were taken. All samples tested negative for Colilert. The fluoride variance of 3.0 mg/L will expire in 2023. All current wells meet the 2.0 mg/L standard variance set by the State Water Resource Control Board. Paymeter station is down 15% in production as compared to the same month last year.

5.3 Finance

Ms. Byerrum was absent. Ray reported revenues are at 30% with expenditures at 23%.

5.4 General Manager

Mr. Kolisz reported engineers were at the District consulting on the equipment shade structure. There are several options that are being discussed. The District gave a tour of the Treatment Plant to Congressman Obernolte last week. Ray announced he will be retiring on April 4, 2022, after 29 years of serving the Twentynine Palms Water District and the community. Ray will be available to continue assisting the District with the transition.


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

Director Leazer would like the District to research possible grants for private well monitoring.

Director Coghill would like a closed session added to the December agenda to discuss successor planning.

7. Adjournment

On motion by Director Horn seconded by Director Arthur, and approved by the Board, the meeting was adjourned at: 4:41 p.m.



Carol Giannini, President
Board of Directors

Attest:



Ray Kolisz, Board Secretary
Twentynine Palms Water District