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

February 23, 2022 / 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 Bob Coghill, Carol Giannini, Suzi Horn, and Randy Leazer. Michael Arthur was late. Also present were General Manager Ray Kolisz, Director of Operations Matt Shragge, Financial Consultant Cindy Byerrum, and District Secretary Cindy Fowlkes. Treatment/Production Superintendent Mike Minatrea was absent.

## Pledge of Allegiance

Matt Shragge led the pledge.

## Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

None

## Public Comments

None

President Giannini moved Agenda items 1 and 2 after Management Reports and Consent Calendar.

## 5. <u>Management Reports</u>

## 5.1 <u>Maintenance</u>

Matt Shragge reported that the District responded to 54 Underground Service Alerts, had 0 water main leaks, 1 water meter leak, 0 service line leaks, 3 fire hydrant repair/maintenance, installed 0 new services, replaced 6 customer gate valves, performed 3 leak audits, painted 16 fire hydrants, performed 9 customer pressure checks, replaced 6 meters, Tested and exercised emergency generators and sounded wells for January. 1 water waste inquiry was received. There were no shut offs due to COVID-19. 0 AMI/AMR meters were installed. There was a total of 376 work orders that were processed during the month. Matt reminded the Board and public shutoffs will begin in March for non-payment.

#### 5.2 Water Quality

Mike Minatrea was absent. Matt reported Water production was down 15.96% as compared to the same month in 2013. 50 routine and 13 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 production was down approximately 8,000 gallons for the month.

#### 5.3 Finance

Ms. Byerrum reported we are at 50% of the budget with revenues at 55%, and expenditures at 47%. Approximately, \$124,500 was received from the State for arrearages during the pandemic, which was applied to the outstanding accounts. The remaining balance is the account holder's responsibility.

## 5.4 General Manager

Mr. Kolisz reported monthly billing begins in March. Ray will be on the Z107.7 Upclose Show at 10:00 a.m. this coming Friday.

## 3. Consent Calendar

- Minutes of a Regular Meeting held on January 26, 2022 and Minutes of a Special Meeting held on February 16, 2022
- Audit List

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

- 4. <u>Items Removed from the Consent Calendar for Discussion or Separate Action</u>
  None
- 1. <u>Closed Session Public Employee Appointment Pursuant to Government Code Section</u> §54957

Title: General Manager

2. <u>Closed Session – Conference with Labor Negotiations Pursuant to Government Code Section §54957.6</u>

Agency Negotiators: Board President

Unrepresented Employee: General Manager

Director Horn moved to enter closed session for agenda items #1 and #2 at 4:11 p.m., seconded by Director Leazer, and unanimously approved.

The Board returned to open session at 4:45 p.m. Director Giannini announced there was no reportable action.

- 6. <u>Future Agenda Items and Staff Tasks/Directors' Comments and Reports</u>
  There were no comments.
- 7. Adjournment

Attest:

On motion by Director Horn seconded by Director Arthur, and approved by the Board, the meeting was adjourned at: 4:46 p.m.

Carot Giannini, President

Board of Directors

Ray Kolisz, Board Secretary

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