

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

October 26, 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 Coghil, Carol Giannini, Suzi Horn, and Randy Leazer. Michael Arthur was absent. Also present were General Manager Matt Shragge, Maintenance Superintendent Mike Minatrea, Treatment/Production Superintendent Robert Shelton, Financial Consultant Cindy Byerrum, and District Secretary Cindy Fowlkes.

Pledge of Allegiance

Karalee Hargrove led the pledge.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

2.A CSDA 2022 Board Member Best Practices 201 Workshop

Public Comments

Octavious Scott, District 4 candidate for City of Twentynine Palms, introduced himself and announced that if elected he would like to work collaboratively with the District.

1. Receive and File Final Draft LAFCO Service Review for the Twentynine Palms Community

Staff recommends the Board receive and file the LAFCO Service Review. The service review scored the District as solid in all aspects: governance, management, finances, and operations.

Director Giannini disputed the radio station's report that the LAFCO review recommended consolidation when in fact the report recommended collaboration.

After discussion, the Board decided to table the agenda item until a later date. Director Horn made a motion to table the LAFCO Service Review for the Twentynine Palms Community, seconded by Director Leazer, and unanimously approved by all those present. Director Arthur was absent.

2. Review and Adjust Board Meeting Schedule for November and December

Each year the Board reviews the schedule for the upcoming holidays and adjusts the meeting dates accordingly.

Director Horn made a motion to adjust the November and December Board meetings to November 16th and December 14th, seconded by Director Coghil, and approved unanimously by all those present. Director Arthur was absent.

2.A CSDA 2022 Board Member Best Practices 201 Workshop

This free workshop is being sponsored by the San Bernardino County LAFCO and is being put on by the California Special Districts Association. This workshop

is the second half of the workshop Directors Coghill, Arthur, and Matt attended in August. The workshop is being held on Tuesday, November 15, 2022, from 1:00-3:00 p.m., at the Mojave Water Agency.

Director Leazer made a motion for Directors Arthur, Horn, and Giannini to attend and provide a daily meeting stipend, seconded by Director Horn, and approved unanimously by all those present. Director Arthur was absent.

3. Consent Calendar

- Minutes of a Regular Meeting held on September 28, 2022
- Audit List for September

Director Coghill, moved to approve the Minutes and Audit List, seconded by Director Horn, and unanimously approved by all those present. Director Arthur was absent.

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

5. Management Reports

5.1 Maintenance

Mike Minatrea reported that the District responded to 133 Underground Service Alerts, had 0 water main leaks, 0 water meter leaks, 0 service line leaks, 2 fire hydrant repairs/maintenance, installed 7 new services, replaced 17 customer gate valves, performed 7 leak audits, painted 0 fire hydrants, performed 7 customer pressure checks, replaced 21 meters, Tested and exercised emergency generators and sounded wells for September. 0 water waste inquiries were received. 1 AMI/AMR meter was replaced. There was a total of 1,007 work orders that were processed during the month. There were 61 shut offs for the month for non-payment. The District recently received \$4,186.00 for a fire hydrant that was hit in February. There are two fire hydrant cases pending, and an additional one the District will not be reimbursed for as the person had no insurance.

5.2 Water Quality

Robert Shelton reported water production was down 11.31% as compared to the same month in 2013. 40 routine and 13 special water samples were taken. All routine 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.

5.3 Finance

Cindy Byerrum reported on the August financials. Production and consumption is down, ending the year with lower revenues than expected. The district is withholding any additional contributions to the PARS trust until it begins to show positive earnings. The District has taken \$2,000,000

out of LAIF and invested in multiple CDs which have generated more interest revenue and higher yields.

5.4 General Manager

Matt Shragge reported that he has been attending monthly meetings with with Supervisor Dawn Rowe and attended a dinner at the Pelican Club. The District gave a tour of the Flouride Treatment Plant to Community Water System Alliance members. Matt met with Field Representative, Dominic Heiden, from Senator Grove's office to discuss District concerns. Senator Grove will be moving as her District boundaries have changed. Matt met with local Water District General Managers for lunch. Matt sent his condolences to Adan and Susan Ortega for the recent loss of family members.

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

Director Giannini would like the LAFCO Service Review brought back at the next Board meeting. She also sent her condolences to Adan and Susan Ortega.

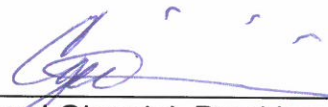
Director Leazer inquired about the presentation brief that Carollo Engineering was to provide Wastewater Ad Hoc committee members.

Director Coghill thanked District staff for the birthday card and reminded everyone to vote in November.

Employees Austin Murphy and Kyle Barnett were in attendance and asked to stand up and introduce themselves.

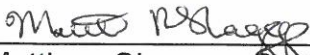
7. Adjournment

On motion by Director Leazer seconded by Director Horn, and approved by the Board, the meeting was adjourned at: 4:36 p.m.



Carol Giannini, President
Board of Directors

Attest:



Matthew Shragge, Board Secretary
Twentynine Palms Water District