

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

October 23, 2024 / 4:00 P.M.

Call to Order and Roll Call

Vice President Bob Coghill called the Board meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Those responding to roll call were Michael Arthur, Bob Coghill, Carol Giannini, and Amy Woods. Director Randy Leazer was absent. Also present were General Manager Matt Shragge, Maintenance Superintendent Mike Minatrea, Treatment/Production Superintendent Robert Shelton, Financial Consultant Cindy Byerrum and Scott Nelsen, and District Secretary Cindy Fowlkes.

Pledge of Allegiance

Scott Nelsen led the pledge.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

Agenda Item #5 Discussion of Health Benefits for the Board of Directors will be tabled to a later date when all Board members are present.

Public Comments

None

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

Historically, the Board has changed the date to the third Wednesday of the month to avoid scheduling conflict with the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. Staff recommends adjusting the Board meeting schedule in November to the 20th and December to the 18th due to the holidays.

Director Giannini made a motion to adjust the November and December Board meetings to November 20th and December 18th, seconded by Director Arthur, and approved unanimously by all those present. Director Leazer was absent.

2. Consider Resolution 24-05 Adopting the Twentynine Palms Water District Local Hazard Mitigation Plan

Staff recommends adopting the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan. Sturdivan Emergency Management and staff have been going through the plan check stages with CalOES (California Office of Emergency Services) and FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency). The Plan has been reviewed and approved, with minor corrections, and is ready for adoption by the Board of Directors.

Director Woods made a motion to adopt the Twentynine Palms Water District Local Hazard Mitigation Plan, seconded by Director Giannini, and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes:	Directors Arthur, Coghill, Woods, and Giannini
Noes:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Director Leazer

3. Consider Request for Annexation – APN 0634-121-15 and Approval of Indemnification Agreement

Staff recommends approving the Annexation Indemnification Agreement.

Director Arthur made a motion to approve the Annexation Indemnification Agreement, seconded by Director Woods, and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Directors Arthur, Coghill, Woods, and Giannini
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Director Leazer

4. Review Proposals and Award Bid to Purchase a 2025 Ford F-150 4x4 Truck

Staff recommends accepting the bid from Fiesta Ford.

Director Woods made a motion to award the bid to Fiesta Ford in the amount of \$45,178.90 for a Ford F-150 4x4 truck, seconded by Director Giannini, and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Directors Arthur, Coghill, Woods, and Giannini
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Director Leazer

5. Discussion of Health Benefits for the Board of Directors

This agenda item is tabled until all Board of Directors are present.

6. Consent Calendar

- Minutes of a Regular Meeting held on September 25, 2024
- Audit List

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

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

None

8. Management Reports

8.1 Maintenance

Mike reported that the District responded to 56 Underground Service Alerts, had 0 water main leaks, 0 water meter leaks, 1 service line leak, 0 fire hydrant repairs/maintenance, installed 1 new service, replaced 9 customer gate valves, performed 8 leak audits, painted 44 fire hydrants, performed 4 customer pressure checks, replaced 2 water meters, Tested and exercised emergency generators and sounded wells for September. 0 water waste inquiries were received. 0 AMI/AMR meters were replaced. There was a total of 757 work orders that were processed during the month.

8.2 Water Quality

Robert reported water production was down 10.37% as compared to the same month in 2013. 50 routine and 13 special water samples were taken. All special

samples tested negative for Colilert. All current wells meet the 2.0 mg/L standard fluoride variance set by the State Water Resource Control Board. All samples tested were below the variance.

8.3 Finance

Cindy Byerrum reported on the August financials. The budget is at 17% with 46% in net revenue. LAIF is expected to outperform CLASS, but has not done so yet.

8.4 General Manager

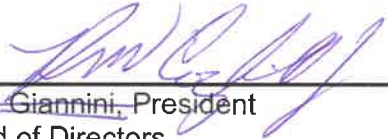
Matt reported that the Lead and Copper Inventory has been completed and submitted to the State. The Local Hazard Mitigation Plan has been approved by FEMA. Well 14 is back up and producing. The District is hiring (3) Service Worker I, (1) Mechanic, and (1) Customer Service Representative. Kennedy & Jenks has begun the Groundwater Management Plan. The auditors were on site and expect to present the Audit to the Board in December or January. Robert Shelton was congratulated on the birth of his grandson.

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

None

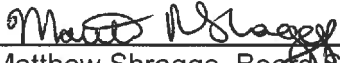
10. Adjournment

On motion by Director Arthur, seconded by Director Giannini, and approved by the Board, the meeting was adjourned at: 4:27 p.m.



Carol Giannini, President
Board of Directors

Attest:



Matthew Shragge, Board Secretary
Twentynine Palms Water District