

**MINUTES OF THE APRIL 19, 2014 REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TWSD BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Attending the meeting were Chairman Joseph Mainello and Directors Edward “Mike” Bovey, Sally Watkins, Arden Schug, and Marilyn Hatfield. There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Mainello at approximately 11:00 am following the rate analysis presentation by Olga Morales of the Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC).

Saluting of the flags was accomplished.

Approval of Agenda: Director Bovey moved to approve the agenda and Director Hatfield seconded. There being no discussion, Chairman Mainello called for a vote. Directors Bovey, Watkins, Schug, and Hatfield voted aye. The motion passed.

General Manager’s Report. The General Manager, Ronald Wyatt, gave his report (copy attached to these minutes). He stated that we are still looking for and fixing leaks. The grant for a new replacement water tank bid had been placed in the newspaper. Rural water will be here again next week. He thanked Olga for all the great work she has done for us. Chairman Mainello stated that he also appreciated the work Olga had done.

Chairman Mainello opened the meeting to the public with the stipulation that they state their name and speak loud enough to be heard.

Audience member Pete Jankiewicz asked the GM if, after research of old meters, the customers would be charged for back charges. The GM replied in the negative and stated that he would just be looking into the old readings for the history.

Audience member B.F. Adams asked if the rate increases were already approved by the government. Olga stated that, no, the board had to approve it first, and then it would go to the PRC.

Audience member Dale Bovey asked about the status of the roads. The GM stated that the road grader operator had been helping to look for leaks, but would be getting back to working on roads next week.

Audience member Glen Mundell asked where the road funds come from. The Chairman replied that they came from General Funds.

Audience member Noreen Gonzalez asked if TWSD was replacing the old pipe and if we had new pipe. The GM replied that TWSD was not doing that at this time; just looking for and repairing leaks.

Treasurer’s Report. A copy of the Treasurer’s report is attached to these minutes. Director Bovey read the bank statement balances. Chairman Mainello thanked the GM for getting the additional FEMA funds.

Committee Reports.

Budget committee. Dick Dysart stated that he had nothing to report. Director Bovey stated that they would be working on next year's budget. Chairman Mainello asked when the quarterly report was due to the DFA. Director Bovey stated that it was already sent.

B.F. Adams asked if anyone can attend budget committee meetings. Director Bovey replied in the affirmative and stated that it was encouraged.

Water Rates Committee. Director Bovey explained about the procedures for a water rate increase including sending out letters to water and standby customers after PRC approval of a draft letter. He explained the definition of a "rate-payer" and the process for a rate increase. Director Bovey moved to accepted recommended rates from Olga Morales of the Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC) which were a nine dollar increase in basic water service, a seven cent increase per 1,000 gallons of water usage, and to raise standby fees to \$59.95 and to begin advice notice process. Director Hatfield seconded. There was some discussion. Audience member John Brody requested clarification that there were approximately 4,000 lots. Director Bovey stated that there were approximately 4,000 rate-payers. Chairman Mainello called for a vote. Directors Bovey, Watkins, Schug, and Hatfield voted aye and the motion passed.

Dick Dysart asked how many pages the advice notice was.

Director Bovey replied that the advice notice was many pages, but that the letter to be sent to customers was two-sided three pages.

Old Business. None.

New Business.

Approval of the April 15, 2014 work session meeting minutes. Director Hatfield moved to approve the minutes as written and dispense with the reading. Director Watkins seconded. There was no discussion. Chairman Mainello called for a vote. Directors Bovey, Watkins, Schug, and Hatfield voted aye and the minutes were approved.

Approve Revised Resolution 2013/2014-009A (SCADA). The secretary read the revised resolution. Director Bovey moved to approve the resolution and Director Hatfield seconded. There was some discussion. Chairman Mainello called for a vote. Directors Bovey, Watkins, Schug, and Hatfield voted aye.

Approve Revised Resolution 2013/2014-010A (Maintenance Shop Electrical System). The secretary read the changed portion. Director Bovey moved to approve the resolution and Director Hatfield seconded. Chairman Mainello explained that OSHA had recommended changes to the electrical system years ago and the grant would allow TWSD to finally get the improvements done. Chairman Mainello called for a vote. Director Bovey, Watkins, Schug, and Hatfield voted aye.

Discuss CUPPS (Check-up Program for Small Systems). Chairman Mainello explained the program. The GM stated that he had bought a laptop exclusively for the CUPPS program and that Gwen Adams would be inputting the data. Director Schug stated that Director Bovey had already entered some of the data and that all the information is available so it should be easy to input. Director Hatfield further explained that CUPPS was an asset management program. Dick Dysart asked Olga Morales to explain where the program came from. Olga stated that it was an EPA program and explained further that she recommended it to TWSD. There was some discussion.

Directors' remarks.

Director Watkins thanked all for coming. She said it was nice to have participation and input from the audience.

Director Bovey thanked Olga for her long work on the process. He said he appreciated everyone for coming. He encouraged audience members to come to the budget committee meetings.

Director Hatfield stated that Olga was a gift from heaven. She thanked all for coming and participating.

Director Schug thanked Olga. He thanked all for their interest.

Audience member Rick Merrick thanked the GM for getting the work done behind the lodge for the Blues Festival (which will be in July). He stated that there would be flyers announcing clean-up day on April 28th. May 10th is Fire Wise days sponsored by TDC and TVFD. There is a program for Fire Wise work around the house.

Olga Morales of RCAC thanked the Board for a thankless job.

Dale Bovey stated that they have owned their property since 1975 and always paid their standby bill until they moved here in 2008. She stated that it was an obligation and duty to pay.

Chairman Mainello appreciated the turn-out. He said that it showed that at least some people have interest in the community. He said that there were good board members in the past and hopefully there will be good ones in the future. He said that the Board needs input from the public and that, when people are properly informed, they understand what the Board is up against.

Chairman Mainello entertained a motion to adjourn. Director Bovey moved to adjourn and Director Hatfield seconded. Chairman Mainello, Directors Bovey, Watkins, Schug, and Hatfield voted aye and the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes Approved May 13, 2014:

Secretary Linda Martin_____

Chairman Joseph Mainello_____