

**MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 16, 2017 REGULAR MEETING**  
**OF THE TWSD BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Attending the meeting were Chairman Joseph Mainello, Directors Arden Schug, Edward “Mike” Bovey, Marilyn Hatfield, and Richard McMullen. There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Mainello at approximately 10:00 am.

Saluting of the flags was accomplished.

**Approval of Agenda:** Director Bovey moved to approve the agenda. Director Hatfield seconded. There being no discussion, Directors Schug, Bovey, Hatfield, and McMullen voted aye. The motion passed.

**General Manager’s Report.** The General Manager, Ronald Wyatt gave his report.

Construction should be completed by the end of October.

The remote read meters are scheduled to be installed next week.

The PRVs and flow meters have been installed.

The #6 tank is filled and in service.

Two fire hydrants are installed; the others will be installed next week.

The propane generator is installed.

The 6” pipe through the stables is complete.

Road repair: The county is doing some; construction crew is doing some.

The road grader is being repaired in Alamogordo.

Frank Coronado has done a fantastic job on the Golf Course.

Rock quarry. On the agenda to be discussed later.

We are still waiting for Game and Fish to take over our fishing lakes.

ICIP. The GM attended the work shop this week. A total of \$125 million is available. We are requesting two grants: 1) new grader; and 2) water storage reservoirs/ponds. Director Schug and the GM explained. There was some discussion.

Credit card for Golf Course. It would be \$250. Up front, \$60 per month, plus a transaction fee.

There was much discussion with audience members concerning leaks, water storage, water distribution, audits, fishing, and credit cards.

**Treasurer's Report.** Director Bovey read the bank balances. He stated that there is a workshop on November 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. The chart of accounts will be changing. There was some discussion concerning monies owed, foreclosures and Standby and F&S fees.

#### **Committee Reports.**

None.

#### **Unfinished Business.**

Discuss rock Quarry. DRS Rock Materials provided a quote. The GM explained. Director Schug asked how much it would cost to purchase a rock crusher. The GM will look in to it. There was some discussion.

Discuss Golf Course closure. There was some discussion about keeping the Golf Course open through October. Frank Coronado stated that he will keep it open as long as the weather is good. There was more discussion about maintaining Golf Course equipment during the winter. Director Bovey moved to keep the Golf Course open through October. Director Hatfield seconded. Directors Schug, Bovey, Hatfield, and McMullen voted aye and the motion passed.

#### **New Business.**

Approval of the September 12, 2017 Work Session Minutes. Director Bovey moved to approve the minutes as written and dispense with the reading. Director Hatfield seconded. Directors Schug, Bovey, Hatfield, and McMullen voted aye and the motion passed.

Approve Resolution 2018-005, Finance Authority Grant for Water Conservation Plan. Director Schug explained. Director Schug moved to approve the resolution and Director Hatfield seconded. Chairman Mainello, Directors Schug, Bovey, Hatfield, and McMullen voted aye and the motion passed.

Discuss saving data on the Cloud. There was much discussion. There are many different options for storing data offsite. Chairman Mainello tasked the GM to look into the options and come back to the board with a solution. Audience member Harvey English will get with the GM. There was more discussion concerning preserving data and fire proofing.

Director McMullen moved to do the Directors' Remarks before going into closed session. Director Hatfield seconded. Directors Schug, Bovey, Hatfield, and McMullen voted aye and the motion passed.

#### **Directors' remarks.**

Director McMullen thanked all for coming; there a lot of new faces in the audience. He stated that, if you want to get on the agenda, get with the secretary. He stated that two board positions will be open the first of the year.

Director Hatfield stated she was thankful for the people who wanted to be involved; they need to be positively involved. She thanked all for their participation.

Director Bovey thanked all for coming. He encouraged people to come to the budget meetings.

Director Schug stated that he knows the GM is overloaded. He encouraged other board members and the community to help. He stated he wants participation and he appreciates the input.

Audience member Harvey English thanked the board for their openness to new ideas. He asked about the well behind the fire station. The GM replied that the motor wouldn't start and he is looking into it.

Audience member Richard Rodriquez stated that employee Terry Montoya is getting the equipment on line.

Audience member Pete Jankiewicz stated that golf courses around the county are closing and that there might be golf equipment available (golf carts). He stated that we need to get carts.

Chairman Mainello announcement that a hearing will take place at the Otero County Courthouse on Monday, the 18<sup>th</sup>, at 10:30 am. Chairman Mainello explained that this hearing is to decide if we have fulfilled our obligation as to the judgment. He stated that having an audience excites the board. He also stated that if we continue to have a large audience, we will move into the annex.

Director McMullen moved to go into a closed session for personnel issues. Director Hatfield seconded. Director McMullen voted aye; Chairman Mainello voted aye; Director Schug voted aye, Director Bovey voted aye; and Director Hatfield voted aye. The board went into Executive Session.

Director McMullen moved to come out of executive session and Director Hatfield seconded. McMullen voted aye; Chairman Mainello voted aye; Director Schug voted aye, Director Bovey voted aye; and Director Hatfield voted aye. The board came out of executive session.

Chairman Mainello stated that the board discussed personnel issues, specifically the evaluation of the GM. No decisions were made.

Director McMullen moved to adjourn the meeting and Director Hatfield seconded. Directors Schug, Bovey, Hatfield, and McMullen voted aye and the meeting was adjourned.

**Minutes Approved October 17, 2017:**

**Secretary Linda Martin** \_\_\_\_\_

**Chairman Joseph Mainello** \_\_\_\_\_