## Board of Directors Regular Meeting Stratmoor Hills Water District July 20, 2022

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors held Wednesday, July 20, 2022, was called to order by President Robert Colgrove at 4:58PM.

Present: President Robert Colgrove, Vice-President James Pesicka, Secretary/ Treasurer John Willcox, Director Cynthia Dent, and Director Richard Dull

Absent:

Staff: District Manager, Kevin Niles

Public:

### **Approval of Minutes**

Motion was made by Director Pesicka to approve the June 15, 2022, meeting minutes as presented, second provided by Director Willcox... All Ayes - The motion passed unanimously.

## Approval of Agenda

Motion was made by Director Pesicka to approve the July 20, 2022, agenda as presented. Second provided by Director Willcox... All Ayes - The motion passed unanimously.

# **Public Comment**

None.

# **Unfinished Business**

None.

# New and Miscellaneous Business

# W-1. Family and Medical Leave Insurance Resolution 2022-07

District Manager, Kevin Niles, informed the Board that the Family and Medical Leave Insurance, (FAMLI), affects Colorado local governments employers different than private businesses. Unlike businesses, Colorado local governments have an option regarding participation in the FAMLI program. Based on the size of the District staff of 11 individuals, the cost share would be 0.45% of wages. Therefore, staff recommends opting out of the FAMLI Program. The Board watched a brief 15-minute webinar from DOLA on the FAMLI Program. There was some discussion before the motion by Director Pesicka to approve Resolution 2022-07 completely opting out of the Family

Medical Leave Insurance Program. Second was provided by Director Willcox... All Ayes - The motion passed unanimously.

# W-2. Easement Remediation between 110-116 Chamberlin Ave.

District Manager, Kevin Niles, informed the Board that during the replacement of the Stratmoor Dr. main line, the construction crew went through an easement between 110 and 116 Chamberlin Ave. The owner of 116 Chamberlin Ave would like for the easement to be restored to original condition. The Staff is having a hard time finding a landscaper to do this work. It is estimated that the cost may exceed \$1000. The Board needs to act on behalf of the District on if District resources should be used to restore the easement. District service rules states "Should the District act to repair any of its facilities within the easement, the District shall not be responsible for repair or reconstruction of any property located within the easement"

Discussion followed before the motion by Director Pesicka to approve the use of District resources to restore the easement between 110-116 Chamberlin Ave and to pay up to \$1250.00 for a professional landscaper to do the work. Second was provided by Director Willcox... All Ayes -The motion passed unanimously.

### Manager's Report

District Manager:

Updated the Board that the District is having a difficult time with operating the treatment plant at full capacity. There seems to be a Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) issue with operating well #4. When well #4 is operated, the UV Disinfection equipment fails. The manufacture of the unit believes there is a reflective issue with the TDS. The Field Supervisor has been tasked with getting this issue resolved before the FVA shutdown in October 2022. The Board will be updated accordingly.

Informed the Board that the District made final payment of \$144,340 to Glacier in early July 2022. The final cost of the plant is \$3,116,290. The budget breakdown is \$3,000,000 from the SRF Loan, \$110,900 from the USAF, and \$5,390 from reserve funds. The final requisition of \$30,954 from the SRF loan will be submitted the end of July and the loan should be finalized. The loan will be

considered "closed" sometime in August.

Updated the Board that The field crew continues to work diligently on the District's distribution and collection systems. There were one service line repair and zero main breaks in May. The District has installed 1788 new meter, to-date. Based on delays with getting all the meters installed. Mr. Niles informed the Board that the District will be hiring temporary help at the cost of \$20,000 to finish all the meters by October. The crew will continue to flush hydrants over the summer months and flushed 38 hydrants in June. Shana Greer and Jessica Reyes have done an excellent job of handling the customer service responsibilities over the months of June and July.

Informed the Board that In late June, the District terminated Eboni Whitney as the CSR. Ms. Whitney had excessive absenteeism within the first two weeks of employment. Based on this fact, and her still being within the probational period the District Manager determined to end her

Informed the Board that back in June of 2021, Mark Wallis completed an incident report for a lower back injury. At the time, Mr. Wallis did not seek or require any treatment from a medical provider. In late June 2022 Mr. Wallis stated he was having issues with his back and went on his own for a medical evaluation. Upon further evaluation from Mr. Wallis's personal physician, there is a possibility of herniated/ bulging disc in the lower lumbar. After discussion with the District legal team and the CSD pool, a Workman's Comp Claim has been filed and is now being investigated by Sedgwick.

Informed the Board the Water District received notification from Colorado Springs Utilities that there was a Data Breech accessed through one of their subcontractors. The information that was

- accessed were account numbers, addresses, and contact information. CSU is currently investigating the breech and will notify the District accordingly.
- Updated the Board in June 2022, the EPA released new Health Advisory Limits (HAL) for PFOA and PFOS. The previous HAL was set in 2016 at 70PPT for both PFOA and PFOS. The New interim HAL is set at .004 PPT for PFOA and .02 for PFOS. The new HAL's the EPA issued represent a significant departure from those the agency published in 2016. Currently, there is no valuable testing detection that can detect this minimal level of PFAS. However, the Stratmoor Hills Water District treatment plant is registering non-detect with the current testing procedures.
- Updated the Board that meetings are now being held in person. The District Manager has
  attended several meetings on behalf of the District. I have attended the following meetings: Pikes
  Peak Regional Water Authority, (PPRWA), Lower Fountain Water Quality Management
  Association, (LFWQMA), Fountain Valley Authority, (FVA), and the Arkansas Basin
  Roundtable

### Safety Committee Report

Director Willcox reported to the Board that the Safety Committee met on Wednesday July 13, 2022. There have been zero accidents for 762 days and 105 days without a close call. The Committee reviewed safety topics Heat Stress, Cave in Protection, and Ground Level Hazards. The Office Staff may need additional items, such as, new chairs, monitor covers, and more ergonomic items.

### **Financial Reports**

District Manager, Kevin Niles, reviewed the June Financial Report with the Board of Directors... Motion by Director Pesicka to approve the June Financials as presented. Second provided by Director Willcox... All Ayes - The motion passed unanimously.

#### **Other Business**

None

## **Adjournment**

With no further business to come before the Board of Directors, Director Pesicka made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:56 PM. Second provided by Director Willcox... All Ayes - The motion passed unanimously.

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Secretary/Treasurer

Robert Colgrove
President/ Chairman

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