

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OF THE

WIDEFIELD WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT

Held: Tuesday, October 18, 2022, at 12:00 p.m. at 8495 Fontaine Blvd., Colorado Springs, Colorado 80925.

Attendance

Directors in Attendance Were:

Mark Watson, President **arrival where noted*
Frank Watson, Secretary/Treasurer
Mark Dunsmoor, Vice President
Dan Ittner, Assistant Secretary
Jim Mesite, Jr., Director

Directors Absent (excused):

None.

Also in Attendance:

Lucas Hale, District Manager
Kelly Smith, Director of Administrative Services
Rob Bannister, District Engineer
Joe Norris, Cockrel Ela Glesne Greher & Ruhland, General Counsel
Member of the Public: Jean Smith

Call to Order

Vice President Dunsmoor noted that a quorum of the Board was present and that the Directors had confirmed their continuing qualification to serve, and therefore called the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Widefield Water and Sanitation District to order at 12:04 p.m.

Notice

Notice of the meeting was properly posted as required by law. The notice also included the agenda items. Certification of such posting is attached hereto.

Disclosure Matters

Vice President Dunsmoor reported that conflict of interest statements had been received from all directors and previously filed with the Secretary of State at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting. Copies of the statements are on file with and available from the Colorado Secretary of State.

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Approval of Minutes

The Board reviewed the Minutes of the September 20, 2022 regular meeting. Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Minutes of such meeting were approved as revised by Director Mesite.

Financial Matters

- Monthly Financials:

Mr. Hale reported that accounts receivable increased due to a change in ion exchange resin at the treatment plant; the Air Force has been invoiced but this amount has not been paid yet. There was a slight decrease in revenues due to an excess of precipitation in August and less water use. Water payments decreased due to the FVA payments.

**President Mark Watson then arrived at approximately 12:08.*

Mr. Hale then reported that professional fees decreased due to eleven ongoing water cases and the upcoming diligence on wells.

Question from President Mark Watson: What are the eleven cases?

Mr. Hale: The Triview cases make up six of the cases and mostly involve FMIC operations. The others are various cases on Fountain creek that may impact District water rights.

Question from Director Ittner: Are there other parties in the Triview cases?

Mr. Hale: Yes, FMIC is in some of the cases as well and there are multiple other parties.

Mr. Hale continued the financial report stating that payroll has increased due to overtime pay for the waterline repairs on Jersey Ln. Utility locate training has been completed. Maintenance and repairs increased due to multiple point-repairs on customer connections. Licenses shows a large decrease in the month due to the \$15,000 annual permit fees being paid in July. For the month, 13 water and 3 sewer taps, and 13 water resource acquisition fees were collected.

Question from Director Ittner: Why did the lab services double?

Mr. Hale: It fluctuates based on compliance sampling. The change was less than \$5,000 so it was not an item he flagged to discuss.

Following discussion and upon motion duly made and seconded, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the monthly financials.

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**Preliminary 2023
Draft Budget
Presentation**

Mr. Hale presented the Board with the preliminary 2023 draft budget and rate increases and described in detail the main components of the budget and rate increases. A copy of the budget and rate presentation to the Board is attached hereto. The complete proposed budget and proposed rate increases are on file with the District.

Engineer's Report

Mr. Banister reported on the upper west to east project. They are getting ready to start the eight-inch line down Metropolitan. They started pouring concrete at the Rolling Hills Booster. A few taps have come in for the development at the Trails at Aspen Ridge but development overall has slowed down quite a bit.

Attorney's Report

Mr. Norris discussed the annual resolution to certify delinquent accounts for collection by the County. Mr. Hale explained the two accounts with rather large past-due amounts over \$1,000. President Watson opened a public hearing on the matter, and having no public comment, closed the hearing. Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Resolution Authorizing Certification of Delinquent Accounts for Collection by the County Treasurer as presented.

Public Comment

None.

Other Business

Question from Director Mesite: Has CSU talked with Widefield about the big annexation east of Peaceful Valley?

Mr. Hale: The developer, LaPlata, has discussed this with the District but the District has not discussed it with CSU directly. LaPlata has met with some resistance lately for approvals of this development.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.



Secretary