

**Thunderbird Water & Sanitation District
Board of Directors Monthly Meeting Minutes
September 8, 2022**

Call to Order:

7:05 P.M.

TWSD Board Members Present:

Larry Morris, Bruce Boydston, Duff Comstock and Gary Cammarata
(Barry Gager unable to attend)

Other TWSD Present:

Edd Berchem (TWSD accounting services)

Residents Present:

Dan Soo (lot# 153)

Resident Discussion:

No concerns.

Minutes:

The Board minutes for the 8-11-2022 Monthly TWSD Board of Directors meeting was approved by the Board (4-0).

Financial:

Accounts payable was reviewed by the Board. Independent Bank checks dated 9-07-2022 and 9-08-2022 were issued, signed and reconciled to checks issued 8-11-2022. The check sequence was #9543 - #9555 (checks #9539, #9540, #9541, #9542 were sent to US Treasury between Board meetings).

All Independent Bank check payments were unanimously (4-0) approved for issue by the Board.

Independent Bank Register - Cash Reserve Report – Reconciliation

The beginning cash balance / (9-8-2022 Report) does reconcile to the ending cash balance / (8-11-2022 Report).

Chase Bank Register - Cash Reserve Report – Reconciliation.

The 9-8-2022 Report beginning cash balance reconciles to the 8-11-2022 Report ending cash balances. The last eleven checks issued on Chase Bank are #1088 4-10-2020 through #1098 7-18-2022.

UBS Register - Cash Reserve Report – Reconciliation.

The 9-8-2022 Report beginning cash balances reconciled to the 8-11-2022 Report ending cash balances.

TWSD Financial Statements for August 31, 2022 - The Financial Statements were reviewed and accepted by the Board (4-0).

No Flash Drives Exchanged – Accounting system back-up flash drives were **not** exchanged between the Treasurer and Accounting Services (9-8-2022). Treasurer was absent.

Meter readings – Past due billings for the last quarter were discussed by the Board.

Old Business:

System Operation – The meter was changed on lot #53. Chlorine was ordered. The pumps are working properly. The SCADA system is working properly. Chlorine supply is good. Pumps are working properly. We still have a problem with well #3 flow meter and well #1 down hole sensor.

Sensus Water meters –The Vendor still has no Sensus Water meters and they don't know when they will get them. Still on back order. They gave us a new quote for meters, radios and computer. With the new quote Larry Morris ordered \$75,000 worth of meters, radios and computer.

CEOS – Still working with CEOS to acquire funding for the replacement well.

Lambert Ranch & Drilling well to replace #1R – Larry Morris reports that we still do not have the authorization of the loan for the replacement of well #1R. In addition, there seems to be a concern from Courtney Hemenway (Groundwater Engineer) concerning obtaining more water and how much deeper we can go as compared to the present well #1R. Courtney asked how our easement purchase on Lambert Ranch was going. The reply from Larry Morris was that 'it is a done deal'.

Courtney now suggests that we forget about the replacement of well #1R. Instead, we should go to Lambert Ranch put in a well and construct the extensive pipelines and electrical infrastructure.

Courtney was the first to suggest the feasibility of producing more water by drilling a deeper well near well #1R. The Board has spent months to obtain a loan. That loan is near finalization.

The Board also discussed getting bids from other groundwater engineers and well construction companies.

Dominion Water and Sanitation District – Dominion has been considered by TWSD to be a possible source for future water. TWSD has not been able to get any definite costs from Dominion but undocumented estimates seem to be very high.

Dominion has an east-west running pipeline. The pipeline is a short distance north from the pipeline that TWSD is planning for the two wells

that will be on Lambert Ranch. Extension of the Lambert Ranch pipeline to the Dominion pipeline could bring water to TWSD. The wells on Lambert would not be needed or could be possible emergency backup but probably not.

A representative of Dominion has recently expressed the possibility of running a pipeline from a Roxborough Storage tank to the TWSD system.

In a meeting with Dominion the TWSD water assets were discussed. Dominion indicated that there could be a situation where TWSD could use its water assets as a trade to Dominion in order to lower the costs of water from Dominion. TWSD provided documentation to Dominion/ water assets. Castle Rock was also involved in that meeting. Castle Rock offered the possibility of taking over the operational aspects of TWSD if Dominion became the water provider.

TWSD applied for a grant from Douglas County for funding a water well and new water meters. That grant application became a low priority for the County. Dominion was also applying for a grant for water and waste water. Dominion included TWSD's grant request with theirs in hopes of raising the grant priority. However, the County does not appear to be granting any funds for water but there is a possibility of funding waste water.

New Business:

Hydrant Flushing – Hydrant flushing will occur in October. The board will decide on the exact date in the October Board meeting.

Adjourn:

8:40 PM

Submitted by:

Gary D. Cammarata
TWSD Board Secretary