

**Thunderbird Water & Sanitation District
Board of Directors Monthly Meeting Minutes
August 12, 2021 (II)**

Call to Order:

7:07 P.M.

TWSD Board Members Present:

Larry Morris, Barry Gager, Bruce Boydston, Duff Comstock and Gary Cammarata

Other TWSD Present:

Edd Berchem (TWSD accounting services)

TWSD Resident Present:

Mike Owen (Lot #100)

Resident Discussion:

Mike was interested in the status of the new WEB Site. Mike indicates he cannot get into the WEB Site. The Board agreed that there are problems that are being worked on through the application developer of the Web Site and we are considering having an outside government management company (Circuit Ryder of Colorado) take over the operational periodic data entry process.

Minutes:

The DRAFT of Board minutes, for the 7-8-2021 monthly TWSD Board of Directors meeting was approved by 4 Board members, 1 (Duff Comstock) abstained.

Financial:

Accounts payable was reviewed by the Board. Independent Bank checks dated 7-9-2021, 8-11-2021 and 8-12-2021 were issued, signed and reconciled to checks issued 7-8-2021. The check sequence was #9339 – #9350. However, due to system error, checks # 9324-9326, 9328, were skipped last month and were issued 8-12-2021.

Checks #9327 and #9329 were erroneously recorded 7-8-2021. These same two check numbers #9327 and #9329 were corrected to 9334 and 9336.

All Independent Bank check payments were unanimously (5 - 0) approved for issue by the Board.

Independent Bank Register - Cash Reserve Report – Reconciliation

The beginning cash balance / (8-12-2021 Report) does reconcile to the ending cash balance / (7-8-2021 Report) from the prior monthly Board meeting report.

Chase Bank Register - Cash Reserve Report – Reconciliation. The 8-12-2021 Report cash balances were reconciled to the 7-8-2021 Report cash balances.

The last two checks issued on Chase Bank were #1088 4-10-2020 and #1089 9-22-2020.

UBS Register - Cash Reserve Report – Reconciliation

The 8-12-2021 Report cash balances did not reconcile to the 7-8-2021 Report cash balances. The difference was \$250,000 which is a Bond Balance which was not added to the Cash Balance as it has in the past. The report has been reissued to include the Bond Balance.

TWSD Financial Statements for July 31, 2021 - The Financial Statements were reviewed. The Board accepted the Financial Statements (5-0).

Cut-Off List – The Cut-Off List for 8-12-2021 was examined by the Board. No action was required.

Exchange Flash Drive – Accounting system flash drives were exchanged between the Treasurer and Accounting Services (8-12-2021).

Old Business:

System Operation – The new \$800 chlorine pump seems to be working better than the older, less expensive pumps. An additional \$800 pump has been ordered for a backup pump.

The delivery and safety precautions for handling chlorine were discussed.

There are some problems with the SCADA system. The level indicator of tank #1 is shutting the system down because it erroneously registers the tank is full. In addition, the flow indication jumps up and down. The SCADA vendor, Browns Hill Engineering, is scheduled to make repairs. Well #3 controls are working properly.

IREA (CORE) has a lower electrical billing rate for customers who do not use electricity during peak usage times (4:00 – 8:00). Customers have to request this plan. If a customer is on this plan and does use electricity during the 4:00-8:00 period, the billing charge is much higher than at normal rates.

TWSD is on this special IREA (CORE) plan. The well pumps have been programmed to not operate during the 4:00-8:00 period. The well pumps have been working at a very high rate because of high water demand. The pumps automatic cut-off programming has been over ridden and the pumps have been consuming electricity during the 4:00- 8:00 time period. The Board discussed the benefits of staying on the special plan or going back to the conventional billing plan. TWSD will stay on the special billing plan.

Rural Water Authority of Douglas County – Well monitoring / USGS is experiencing a change of personnel. The last quote received for monitoring was \$8000 with a 50% match = \$4000 for RWADC. The RWADC has about \$200 in bank. There are plans to put together an info pack to solicit donations for funding. The RWADC would like to obtain well readings for September. The new USGS person will be out of the office until September.

Lambert Ranch–The Board voted 5-0 to adopt Resolution No. 2021-8-1 A Resolution calling for a November 2, 2021 Special Election, authorizing an election on the question of incurring debt. The Resolution was signed by Larry Morris – TWSD Board President. Attest: Gary Cammarata – TWSD Board Secretary.

There was a discussion concerning informing the TWSD residents of the current water situation and the resolution to finance water from Lambert Ranch. Information will be sent out to residents.

Meter Reader – Sensus meter reader is still not available because of production and transportation problems.

Shed – No update is available. Gary Cammarata will Obtain information, costs and possible vendors for concrete pad installation.

Well # 1 – Replacement of well #1 was discussed including costs and financing.

Adjourn:

9:19 PM

Submitted by:

Gary D. Cammarata
TWSD Board Secretary