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Elizabeth Roghair, TREASURER
David Burling, DIRECTOR

FINAL MEETING MINUTES - REGULAR BOARD MEETING
20 September 2023 – EAWSD Conference Room – 5:30 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by President Calzada at 5:30 PM.

ROLL CALL by Debra Sanderson. Those present were President Calzada, Vice-President Hart, Secretary Yard, Treasurer Roghair, and Director Burling. All Directors were present.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Anthony Marino, JACOBS OPERATIONS MANAGER; Steve King, GENERAL MANAGER; Anna Mondragon-Metzger; ADMINISTRATIVE PROJECT MANAGER; Debra Sanderson; ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT AND (1) GUEST.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: 20 September 2023

➤ President Calzada asked if there were any additions or corrections to the agenda of 20 September 2023.

MOTION: Director Burling moved to approve the agenda for 20 September 2023. Treasurer Roghair seconded the motion.

- No further discussion.
- Vote was 5 to 0 in favor of the motion to approve the agenda for 20 September 2023.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: 27 July 2023

➤ President Calzada asked if there were any additions or corrections to the meeting minutes of 27 July 2023 which had been tabled at the 17 August 2023 meeting owing to a lack of a quorum.

MOTION: Secretary Yard moved to approve the meeting minutes for 27 July 2023. Vice-President Hart seconded the motion.

- No further discussion.
- Vote was 4 to 0 in favor of the motion to approve the meeting minutes for 27 July 2023 with one abstention as Director Burling was not in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: 17 August 2023

➤ President Calzada asked if there were any additions or corrections to the meeting minutes of 17 August 2023.

MOTION: Director Burling moved to approve the meeting minutes for 17 August 2023. Treasurer Roghair seconded the motion.

- No further discussion.
- Vote was 3 to 0 in favor of the motion to approve the meeting minutes for 17 August 2023 with two abstentions as President Calzada and Secretary Yard were not in attendance.

CONSENT AGENDA: None

REPORTS:

Management Report:

S. King

- Mr. King stated he did not have any updates but offered to answer any questions, if needed.
- President Calzada asked for an update on completion of the Field Workshop. Mr. King said that there is currently no timeline from PNM regarding the meter hookup but assuming PNM comes in the next couple of weeks, the project should be substantially completed at the end of October. Mr. Marino confirmed that the workshop was equipped with all accoutrements (i.e. shelving, eyewash station, etc.), per the original design.

Operations Report:

A. Marino

- Mr. Marino stated he did not have any updates but offered to answer any questions, if needed.
- Treasurer Roghair asked for clarification regarding the line break that recently occurred on Avenida Compadres, south of Avenida Vista Grande. Mr. Marino noted that it was caused by PNM hitting a 6-inch water line because the locate was inaccurately marked.
 - Treasurer Roghair stated that some customers had expressed frustration with EAWSD's lack of immediate communication about why they had no water service. Mr. King commented that because it takes some time to identify and isolate where the break is, it is best to assess the situation first before sending out an alert to a large group of customers, not knowing where, or how many customers are affected. In this case, the service outage was identified and isolated within an hour, which dramatically reduced the number of customers affected from forty down to six. The six customers were then updated, via email, as to what was being done to restore their service as expeditiously as possible. The District will continue to evaluate when it is appropriate to notify its customers about an event, especially if the event is identified and resolved relatively quickly.
- Board members discussed the future impact of resting Wells 17 and 18, as well as the positive effects of Well 9 continuing to have good pumping levels. Hopefully, it will continue to pump until the end of the year. Non-revenue water was reported to have trended downward, which is also a positive.

- Treasurer Roghair questioned the large number of leak adjustments in the most recent reporting. Mr. King shared that year-to-year comparison varies in the number of leaks. At the end of this year, he expects that gallons lost will stay within the range that it's been over the past couple of years.
- Mr. King explained that the District has begun to pump Santa Fe County water, however, the booster pump station is not yet fully operational owing to some unresolved issues with the programming. Once it is fully operational, Mr. King would like to pump as much water as possible because the District has a commitment to use that water and would ultimately like to rest and recover Well 18.

TREASURER'S REPORT: None

E. Roghair

- Treasurer Roghair reported that she will have two Treasurer's Reports to share at next month's Board Meeting after the FAAC Committee has had the opportunity to review them at their upcoming meeting.

Legal Update: None

T. Scott

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- JOE LOEWY, resident of 6 Monterey Road, urged the Board to approve Agenda Item 1, which includes a provision in the CAPITAL PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CPAC) Charter to increase the number of public members by one, which feels particularly important given the number of infrastructure projects recently completed, in the works, or in the District's INFRASTRUCTURE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN (ICIP). Additionally, he urged approval of Agenda Item 2, the loan/grant between the District and the New Mexico Finance Authority (NMFA) because it's funding a major upcoming project and provides favorable terms.

AGENDA

1. **Consideration and approval of modification to the EAWSD Capital Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) Charter by Resolution N^o. 24-09-01** *S. King*

- Mr. King did not have anything to add but offered to answer any questions, if needed.
- Secretary Yard asked if CPAC should increase public participation by two members. After some discussion, the Board ultimately decided to approve the Agenda Item, as presented, with the understanding that the public may want the option to attend without having to become a member of the committee.

MOTION: Director Burling made a motion that the Board approve the modification to the EAWSD Capital Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) Charter by Resolution N^o. 24-09-01. Treasurer Roghair seconded the motion.

- No further discussion.
- Vote was 5 to 0 in favor of approving the aforementioned motion.

2. **Consideration and approval of Resolution N^o. 24-09-02 authorizing and approving the execution and delivery of a loan/grant between the District and the New Mexico Finance Authority (NMFA) in the amount of \$500,000 for financial assistance through the Water Trust Board (WTB) Water Project Fund** *S. King*

- Mr. King reminded the Board that this agenda item was recently discussed at a prior Board meeting, and he did not have anything additional to add unless there were questions.

MOTION: Secretary Yard made a motion that the Board approve Resolution N^o. 24-09-02 authorizing and approving the execution and delivery of a loan/grant between the District and the New Mexico Finance Authority (NMFA) in the amount of \$500,000 for financial assistance through the Water Trust Board (WTB) Water Project Fund. Vice-President Hart seconded the motion.

- No further discussion.
- Vote was 5 to 0 in favor of approving the aforementioned motion.

BOARD COMMENTS:

- Vice-President Hart commented that he is pleased that three candidates from the current Board are running again for their respective Board positions in the upcoming November elections. He also shared that the search for a new General Manager, to replace Mr. King when he retires, has generated some strong candidates.
- Director Burling shared that he has filled out his VOTE411.ORG questionnaire, provided by the League of Women Voters of New Mexico and encouraged his fellow Board members, that are running again, to do the same. The organization provides a nonpartisan forum for all candidates running, even if the position is uncontested.
- Secretary Yard commended Mr. Marino for keeping the non-revenue water low on an older system. He also stated that he had already filled out the candidate questionnaire for the League of Women Voters and is excited to serve on the EAWSD Board for another four years.
- Treasurer Roghair expressed her thankfulness for having clean water accessible here in Santa Fe and the United States, in general. She brought attention to work that still needs to be done around the world by highlighting the work of a non-profit organization that she recently encountered, that seeks to implement more equitable change in areas where the access to clean drinking water is minimal.
- President Calzada added that we are fortunate to live in a community that practices conservation and understands water is a precious resource. He thanked all team members for their hard work. He briefly summarized a short EYEONWATER success story that he personally experienced during the time he was out of the country in August. He noted that, despite being abroad, he still received a leak alert, which a family member then tended to on his behalf.

ADJOURNMENT:

- President Calzada adjourned the meeting at 6:07 PM.


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