MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GREEN VALLEY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT HELD April 21, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Green Valley County Water District was called to order by President Phillips at the hour of 5:03 P.M. on April 21, 2022, at 39520 Calle Cascada. Due to Covid 19, the meeting was held outside with masks and social distancing. The meeting began with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Directors present were: Jeff McCracken, Dave Phillips, Joe Randles, Bob Garth, and Anthony Castaneda. Also, present were General Manager, Kevin Francis and District Secretary, Valerie Waidner.

Item 5 Approval of Agenda

The President asked for a motion to approve the agenda. A motion was made to approve the agenda by Director Randles and seconded by Director Castaneda and carried (5-0).

Item 6 Public Comment and Non Agenda Items

No members of the public at the meeting

Item 7 Board Presentations

Discussion on Budget Items

The Board discussed in more detail if the rate increase proposal was at an acceptable amount or if the rate needed to be increased. One reason for the rate increase would be the possibility of installing another well which falls under infrastructure. The District has been in contact with a hydrologist who will survey the area of the aguifer where the District would like to put the additional well. The hydrologist gave a quote of \$3,700 for the survey and plotting of existing aquifers and fault zones on a master map. The Board would like to move forward with this project, however, needs additional information. They need to know the site location, the clearance needed from surrounding septic's and of the size casing (6 or 8 inches). The hydrologist, Mike Page, will be in touch with Josh Lyles, from Vics Well Drilling, to get some quotes. Mike will be in touch with the General Manager once he has more information.

The Board also discussed budgeting for a number of maintenance projects and prioritizing the order they should be addressed.

The hiring of a Utility Assistant was discussed as part of the budgeting process. The Board felt the General Manager would require some additional help for maintenance projects and if hauling water was initiated. The General Manager requested the Board wait until the end of 2022 before hiring a new Utility Assistant, so the potential rate increase can be initiated to help balance the budget. The Board agreed with the General Manager's request.

After much deliberation, the Board decided the rate increase from \$85 to \$125 per billing period for the first 800 cubic feet of water used and the additional cost for each 100 cubic feet from \$11 to \$15 is an acceptable amount at this time. The Board will still hold the public hearing on June 9, 2022 with these proposed rates. The District Secretary will need to send out a public hearing letter to all customers by April 22nd, post 3 notices around town and publish two notices in the newspaper dated May 26th and June 2nd.

Item 8 Agenda Items for the Next Regular Meeting

There being no further business, Director Garth made a motion which was seconded by Director McCracken and carried (5-0), that the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Green Valley County Water District be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned April 21, 2022 at 6:55 P.M. The next regular meeting of the Green Valley County Water District's Board of Directors will be May 12, 2022 at 6:00 P.M.

ATTEST:

Valerie Waldner

District Secretary

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David Phillips

President of the Board of Directors

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