

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
GREEN VALLEY COUNTY WATER
DISTRICT HELD June 9, 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 6:02 P.M. on June 9, 2022, at the District Office, 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 and Joe Randles. Also, present were General Manager, Kevin Francis and District Secretary, Valerie Waidner. Director Garth and Director Castaneda were both absent.

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 McCracken and carried (3-0).

Item 6 Approval of Minutes

The President called for a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 12, 2022. A motion was made to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 12, 2022 by Director McCracken and seconded by Director Randles and carried (3-0).

Item 7 Approval of Treasurer's Reports

The President called for a motion to approve the Cash Disbursements from 05-01-22 through 05-31-22 and to approve the Treasurer's Report of May 2022. A motion was made to approve the Cash Disbursements from 05-01-22 through 05-31-22 and to approve the Treasurer's Report of May 2022 by Director Randles and seconded by Director McCracken and carried (3-0).

The Grants Committee is currently waiting for a response from the state regarding their hauling water application submission to the Small Community Drought Relief Program (SCDRP). The other two projects (additional well and pipeline project) were mentioned as projects and will continue to be pursued.

Item 8 Public Comment and Non Agenda Items

An audience member asked for an update regarding the hauling of water. Currently the District's Wells are performing adequately, but hauling water will be initiated when the Wells cannot maintain tank levels.

Another audience member requested an update regarding the tags for the fire hydrants. These tags will discourage individuals and agencies from taking water from the hydrants. The District has attached tags informing whoever takes water from the hydrants could face jail time and is considered theft. The tag also has the office location and the office number if an agency official feels they need to contact the District requesting water from the hydrants. The only time water is allowed to be taken from the fire hydrants is during a fire emergency.

The District placed on each parcel a \$60 Direct Assessment which appears on the property tax. As a Special District, the District is allowed to use these funds to help operate and maintain the operating system. The District's customers can request Covenants that allow the customer to join their lots as one parcel. By combining the lots, the customer will be held responsible to only pay \$60 for the combined parcel versus \$60 per lot. This is a legal binding document and cannot be undone without agreement from the GVCWD Board. One of the District's customer's is trying to covenant a mortgage parcel. Her Bank is asking for proof from the county that they county is aware of the District's request of this Direct

Assessment and approves of the transaction. The District Secretary will gather the request and respond to the customer once she has the document.

Item 9 Manager's Report

The General Manager presented his report to the Board. The report is attached hereto and is made a part of these minutes by reference.

The community is doing well conserving water, our pumping levels continue to drop. Currently the District has 1 Well down, 2 Wells cycling and the remaining wells are performing at an acceptable rate.

There was one leak for the District in May located on El Clavelito. The leak has been repaired. The General Manager is in contact with the County regarding the tree roots on El Clavelito that has done damage to the road and the District's pipes. He hopes to have more information for the Board regarding this issue in July.

The Board members need to schedule their Semi-Annual Inspection Tour with the General Manager. Board members will contact the District Secretary on their available schedules.

The District was able to have a Leak Detection Report from the California Rural Water Association completed. The Leak Detection Report was processed through the State of California Department of Water Resources. Fortunately, the specialist was not able to locate any significant leaks. Unfortunately, that also means no additional funding to help with future leaks. He did detect two bad meters (slow) and the General Manager will be replacing those.

The General Manager, along with some of the Board members, has updated the Capital Improvements and Maintenance projects list. This report will be updated monthly and reported to the Board so they will be able to see any progress being made.

There is no current update regarding the loan on the Utility Vehicle. However, it was brought up that there is a foundation called IBank that helps Districts with financing equipment for utility companies. The District Secretary will look into this and report back next meeting.

Item 10 BOARD PRESENTATIONS

10.1 Public Hearing for Consideration of the Proposed Water Rate Increase

The Board discussed and explained to the audience the reasoning behind raising water rates. The cost of maintaining the District is increasing. The Board explained some examples the District are facing: capital projects, cost of testing, repairs, meeting county and state regulations, plans for a new Utility Assistant and along with the costs of inflation. Without the increase the District will not be able to continue to operate. One consideration the Board understood and agreed on was lowering the rate for zero use vacant lots. Any vacant lot with no use (due to Stage 4 Water Conservation Measure) were allowed a lower rate of \$95 instead of the normal \$125 base rate. There were no further questions from the audience. A motion was made to move forward to the reading of Resolution 06-22-353 by Director McCracken and seconded by Director Randles and carried (3-0).

10.2 Resolution 06-22-___ (353 Rates)

The President read the title of a resolution entitled:

"A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GREEN VALLEY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT AMENDING THE RATES AND CHARGES FOR WATER DELIVERED BY THE DISTRICT AND REPEALING SECTIONS 1 AND 2 OF RESOLUTION NO. 08-20-330"

A motion was made to waive full reading and adopt Resolution 06-22-353 by Director Randles and seconded by Director McCracken and carried (3-0).

10.3 Resolution 06-22-___ (354 Annual Budget)

The President read the title of a resolution entitled:

"A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GREEN VALLEY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT TRANSFERRING FUNDS UNAPPROPRIATED AS OF JUNE 30, 2022 TO THE DISTRICT'S CONTINGENCY RESERVE ACCOUNT,

AFFIRMING INVESTMENT POLICY ESTABLISHING APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT AND APPROVING THE DISTRICT'S BUDGET"

A motion was made to waive full reading and adopt Resolution 06-22-354 by Director McCracken and seconded by Director Randles and carried (3-0).

10.4 Resolution 06-22-___ (355 Direct Assessments)

The President read the title of a resolution entitled:

"A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GREEN VALLEY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT FIXING AND LEVYING A SPECIAL TAX FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2022"

A motion was made to waive full reading and adopt Resolution 06-22-355 by Director Randles and seconded by Director McCracken and carried (3-0).

10.5 Resolution 06-22-___ (356 Direct Assessments)

The President read the title of a resolution entitled:

"A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GREEN VALLEY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT APPLYING WATER DEBT TO CUSTOMER'S PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2022"

A motion was made to waive full reading and adopt Resolution 06-22-356 by Director McCracken and seconded by Director Randles and carried (3-0).

10.6 Letter from Gungor Demirezer regarding recent water bill amount being revoked.

Customer had a leak at the end of last billing period (5/31/22). She sent a letter to revoke \$825 of the bill balance and would pay the standard rate of \$85. The Board went over passed billing periods on the residence and saw she had multiple leak adjustments. The Board decided at this time there will be no action until the General Manager investigates. The District did wave the 10% Late Fee of \$91.00 (would have been \$916 including late fee) because the letter was dated prior to due date of 6/1/22.

10.7 Letter from Stephan Ciappetta regarding light attached to office building

Customer sent letter requesting the light attached to the office building be lowered to a lower wattage. His request has been granted. The bulb was lowered from a 150 watt to 100 watt soft light. District Secretary will write a letter to the customer that the situation has been resolved and if he feels the bulb is still too bright to please contact the office.

10.8 Project Updates: Pipeline Project, Additional Well and Hauling Water


This was discussed in the grants section. No additional information was added.

Item 12 Agenda Items for the Next Regular Meeting

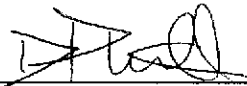
In addition to the regular agenda items, there will be an update on grants/projects, Employee Salaries, Update on IBank Rates.

There being no further business, Director Randles made a motion which was seconded by Director McCracken and carried (3-0), that the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Green Valley County Water District be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned June 9, 2022 at 7:32 P.M. The next regular meeting of the Green Valley County Water District's Board of Directors will be July 14, 2022 at 6:00 P.M.

ATTEST:



Valerie Waidner
District Secretary
(SEAL)



David Phillips
President of the Board of Directors