

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 5, 2021
REGULAR MEETING OF THE TWSD BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Attending the meeting were Chairman Richard McMullen, Vice Chairman Timothy Mahoney, Treasurer Kelly Clark, Secretary Linda Martin, and Director Lillian Devine.

Saluting of the flags was accomplished.

Approval of the Agenda. Director Devine moved to approve the agenda as written, and Director Mahoney seconded. Chairman McMullen, Directors Mahoney, Clark, Martin, and Devine voted aye, and the motion passed.

General Manager's Report. The General Manager gave his report.

1. In September we sold about 1 million gallons of water, pumped 4.5 million gallons into the system, so 3.5 million gallons of water is unaccounted for. That is an 80% water loss, the highest this year, the lowest was 58%. We are constantly working to resolve this problem and lower the loss – please report any leaks you see too the office.
2. Water loss is defined as everything we put into the system minus what is sold. Faulty meters, flushing lines, taking samples, and of course leaks all figure in as part of the loss. Everything adds up. For example, that wet spot you see in the road could easily contribute 100,000 gallons a month to the loss total. So please report any leaks you see, no matter how small, to the office.
3. Currently our system has approximately 800 meters. There are about 35 meters paid for and waiting to be installed. We also have a backlog of about 10 line extensions to do.
4. We are still working on the roads. Our crew is really small considering the area to cover, projects to be completed, and emergencies that pop up. There are times when the “road crew” must be pulled in to help with water problems, but we will eventually get to your road. Call the office and put in a work order if your road has an especially bad or dangerous problem.

Audience member Noreen Gonzalez asked what the dollar amount of loss was. The GM didn't have that figure. She alleged that there was a facebook post on the TWSD site that had untrue information concerning the election. It had since been removed. Neither board members nor the GM knew about the facebook post.

Audience member Arden Schug as head of the Water Advisory Committee stated that they did a tour of the GC well and through the water plant. The cleared some things out, but still has other recommendations.

Treasurer Report. Director Clark read the bank balances.

F&S, \$241,431.71; Short Lived, \$157,090.35; Standby, \$30,427.37; Operations, \$68,194.09; Water Asset Management Restricted Reserves, \$76,598.98 (Transferred \$691.79 from Past due Standby); Reserve, \$7,587.20; USDA Loan, \$853.52.

Director Clark stated that she contacted the bank and was told that FDIC maximums didn't apply to TWSD because we are a government agency.

Committee Reports.

A Recreation Committee is currently being formed.

Budget committee. Chair of the committee, Noreen Gonzalez stated that they had a meeting on September 23rd and went over the stated purpose of the committee. They reviewed P&L versus actuals. She stated that there are some deficiencies in the audit. There was some discussion. She said the committee recommends a 10% increase from past due Standbys to be transferred to the water restricted reserves. She stated she needed a Class report from the GM. He said he would get it.

Old Business.

Discuss/Approve increasing current 30% Past Due monthly Standby transfers from 1% up to 10% to Water Asset Management Restricted Reserves. Director Martin explained that this was just a place marker until the Budget Committee can make a recommendation. The GM stated that he is against an increase at this time. Director Martin moved to table this item until the second meeting in November. Director Devine seconded. Chairman McMullen, Directors Mahoney, Clark, Martin, and Devine voted aye and the motion passed.

Discuss/Approve two Line Extensions (Pickerel and El Dorado). The GM stated the two extensions are:

1. El Dorado for 185 feet at a cost of \$1850. It will add 3 additional Standby lots.
2. Pickerel for 390 feet at a cost of \$3900. It will add 4 additional Standby lots.

The GM explained how estimates are done. Director Martin moved to approve the two line extension offers and Director Clark seconded. Chairman McMullen, Director Mahoney, Clark, Martin, and Devine voted aye, and the motion passed.

Discuss/Approve Auction/Other Sales. Director Mahoney stated he had reached out to the auction company to get in touch with him and he is waiting for a reply. Director Martin moved to table this item until the second meeting in November, and Director Mahoney seconded. Chairman McMullen, Directors Mahoney, Clark, Martin, and Devine voted aye, and the motion passed.

New Business.

Approve Minutes of the September 18, 2021, Regular Meeting. Director Martin moved to approve the minutes as written and dispense with the reading. Director Mahoney seconded. Chairman McMullen, Directors Mahoney, Clark, Martin, and Devine voted aye, and the motion passed.

Approve Minutes of the September 27, 2021, Special Meeting. Director Martin moved to approve the minutes as written and dispense with the reading. Director Devine seconded. Chairman McMullen, Directors Mahoney, Clark, Martin, and Devine voted aye, and the motion passed.

Discuss/Approve options concerning lost grant to include amending Attorney contract. This item is deemed moot as the research of what happened is ongoing.

Discuss/Approve re-establishing audience sign-in sheet for meetings. Chairman McMullen explained. This item is deemed moot.

Discuss/Approve updating and revising the By-laws, Office Policy & Procedures, and the Employee Handbook. There was some discussion. Director Martin moved to table this item until the second meeting in October and Director Mahoney seconded. Chairman McMullen, Directors Mahoney, Clark, Martin, and Devine voted aye, and the motion passed.

Discuss/Approve DTI improvements/repairs. The GM stated that DTI is still working on this and will not be available until the next meeting. Director Martin moved to table this item until the next meeting, and Director Devine seconded. Chairman McMullen, Directors Mahoney, Clark, Martin, and Devine voted aye, and the motion passed.

Discuss/Approve hosting "Meet the Candidates" session on October 16th. Audience members Arden Schug, Noreen Gonzalez, and Terri Borzoni were against this and had many objections (unlawful, inappropriate, etc). Director Martin moved to vote no on this item and Director Mahoney seconded. Chairman McMullen, Directors Mahoney, Clark, Martin and Devine voted nay and the motion did not pass.

There was a discussion between Arden Schug and the GM concerning the reservoirs and GC line.

Set Agenda for October 16, 2021. Director Martin read the items.

Directors Remarks.

Director Mahoney said that he was good.

Director Martin thanked the audience for their participation.

Director Clark thanked the audience.

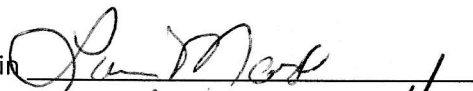
Chairman McMullen said he appreciated the concern and was glad to be back. He thanked all for coming.

Audience member Noreen Gonzalez asked about the DTI contract. The GM explained that she had an old contract.

Director Devine moved to adjourn the meeting and Director Mahoney seconded. Chairman McMullen, Directors Mahoney, Clark, Martin, and Devine voted aye, and the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes approved October 16, 2021.

Secretary Linda Martin



Chairman Richard McMullen

