

**MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 16, 2016 REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE TWSD BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Attending the meeting were Chairman Joseph Mainello, Directors Edward “Mike” Bovey, Marilyn Hatfield, Arden Schug, and Richard McMullen. There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Treasurer Bovey at approximately 10:00 am.

Saluting of the flags was accomplished.

**Elect Board Member Positions.** Director Bovey stated that he would continue as Treasurer; the other board members concurred. Joseph Mainello and Arden Schug both expressed interest in being the Chairman. A secret ballot was conducted by the secretary, and Joseph Mainello obtained the majority of the votes. Arden Schug was elected Vice-Chairman.

**Approval of Agenda:** Director Bovey moved to approve the agenda. Director McMullen seconded. There being no discussion, Directors Schug, Bovey, Hatfield, and McMullen voted aye. The motion passed.

**General Manager’s Report.** The General Manager, Ronald Wyatt was absent, so the secretary read his report which was the same as Tuesday. At the last meeting, the board expressed interest in having Engineer’s Inc. do a presentation of the water model. The secretary explained that office staff looked into that and it would cost ten thousand dollars to get the water model program onto a lap top. There was much discussion. The board wants the GM to set up a meeting at Engineer’s Inc. to review the water model at their offices.

Chairman Mainello opened the meeting to the audience.

Audience member Harvey English asked what the meeting was for. Chairman Mainello explained that it was to review the water model and have an overall design review of what Engineers, Inc. has accomplished so far on our projects. Director Bovey stated that the board members could share a ride to keep the costs down. Director Schug said that the board needs to know that Engineers, Inc. has done; there should be a design review.

Director Bovey moved to task the GM to set up a meeting with Engineer’s, Inc. for a water model review and a design review. Director McMullen seconded. There was some discussion. It was decided that after the 15<sup>th</sup> of February (the 17<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup>) would be a good time. Directors Schug, Bovey, Hatfield, and McMullen voted aye and the motion passed.

**Treasurer’s Report.** Treasurer Bovey read the bank balances. He stated that he was going to draft a letter for a water rate increase and send it out to the board and staff in the next eight to ten days for review.

Director Schug stated that the roads need to be done while they are wet. Director Bovey moved to task the GM to improve the roads. Director Hatfield seconded. There was some discussion. Director Bovey stated that he planned to increase budget expenditures for roads. There was some discussion about getting on the county agenda to discuss the county roads. Directors Schug, Bovey, Hatfield, and McMullen voted aye and the motion passed.

There was some discussion about Standby and F&S late fees.

#### **Committee Reports.**

**Budget Committee.** Dick Dysart stated that the committee met on Thursday and went over the quarterly submission to DFA. Director Hatfield asked about CUPPS. Dick Dysart said that was for a later discussion.

#### **Unfinished Business.**

Approval of Resolution 2015/2016-009, Carissa Springs Loan/Grant. The secretary explained that this was previously voted on, but the appropriate amount of board members wasn't sufficient. Director Bovey moved to approve the resolution and Director Hatfield seconded. Directors Schug, Bovey, Hatfield, and McMullen voted aye and the resolution was approved.

#### **New Business.**

Approval of the January 12, 2016 Work Session Minutes. Director Hatfield moved to approve the minutes as written and dispense with the reading. Director McMullen seconded. Directors Schug, Bovey, Hatfield, and McMullen voted aye and the motion passed.

Discuss/Approve rate increase paperwork. Director Bovey suggested this item be postponed until the February meeting. Director Schug stated that we need to look into the water loss; we need to be more efficient. Director Bovey agreed that we need to pursue water loss. Audience member Harvey English agreed with both.

Approve Quarterly Financial Report. Director Bovey moved to approve the Quarterly Financial Report and Director Hatfield seconded. Director Bovey explained. Director Schug said that we needed to build up emergency reserves. Chairman Mainello explained the difference between Water Fund and General Fund. Directors Schug, Bovey, Hatfield, and McMullen voted aye and the motion passed.

Director Schug wanted to compliment Director Bovey on getting the report done. Chairman Mainello agreed and also wanted to thank Dick Dysart from the budget committee.

Discuss Attorney issues (interview with partner). There was some discussion. Chairman Mainello said he would get with the GM and contact the attorney. There was more discussion.

#### **Directors' remarks.**

Director McMullen had no further remarks.

Director Hatfield said she was glad to see audience. She was glad for Directors Schug and McMullen being on the board and Chairman Mainello back in his leadership position. She said that we need to work together.

Director Schug stated that if he is out helping the guys, it is as a private citizen and not as a board member. He stated that he only gives them guidance. He is concerned about grants and our managing of them; need design reviews on all programs. The board is not getting proper feedback. He stated that we can make it turn around. He thanked all for being here.

Director Bovey thanked all for being here. He said the board need to step up and visit with Engineers, Inc. We are making progress with the water system.

Audience member Harvey English said that many things went wrong during the last blizzard. It would be good to get all the players (TWSD, Fire Dept., Otero Electric, Dell Telephone, etc.) together for emergencies. Director Schug stated that we should have a disaster review.

Chairman Mainello thanked the board for electing him chairman. He wants to make sure the board knows that classes will be available for RCAC and other information. He asked the board to go over board member responsibilities and Code of Ethics. He wanted thank everyone who worked out in the blizzard. There was much discussion. Director Schug asked what happens when he is the only board member available. Both Chairman Mainello and Director Bovey stated that board members are available by phone.

Director Bovey moved to adjourn and Director Hatfield seconded. Directors Schug, Bovey, Hatfield, and McMullen voted aye and the meeting was adjourned.

**Minutes Approved February 16, 2016:**

**Secretary Linda Martin**\_\_\_\_\_

**Chairman Joseph Mainello**\_\_\_\_\_