

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE TWENTYNINE PALMS WATER DISTRICT
72401 HATCH ROAD, TWENTYNINE PALMS, CA 92277**

APRIL 23, 2014 / 6:00 P.M.

Call to Order and Roll Call

President Moore called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., 72401 Hatch Road, Twentynine Palms, California. Those responding to roll call were Directors Bo Bourikas, Chancey Chambers, Suzi Horn, Sam Moore, and Roger Shinaver. Also present were General Manager Tamara Alaniz, Operations Manager Ray Kolisz, Financial Consultant Cindy Byerrum, and District Secretary Cindy Fowlkes.

Pledge of Allegiance

Director Moore led the pledge.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

None

Public Comments

None

1. Public Hearing on Proposed Adoption of a Resolution to Update the District Groundwater Management Plan

Two phone calls were received from the public for clarification. Both callers did not express their opinion for or against the plan.

1.1 Board to Hear Public Testimony at This Time

Director Shinaver moved to open the Public Hearing at 6: 03 p.m. , seconded by Director Chambers, and unanimously approved. There being no public testimony to be heard, Director Shinaver moved to close the public hearing at 6:03 p.m., seconded by Director Chambers and unanimously approved.

2. Consider Resolution 14-04 Rescinding Resolution 14-01 Requesting that the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors Authorize and Change the Election of Board Members to the Statewide Consolidated Election Cycle of a Polling Place Election Type, Extending the Present Board Member Terms by One Year to Reflect the Date Change and Rescinding Resolution 09-02

As the County Board of Supervisors denied the Board's request for reconsideration, staff recommends that the Board adopt Resolution 14-04 thereby rescinding Resolution 14-01 and reestablishing Resolution 09-02, implementing policies for District elections.

After discussion, Director Chambers moved to adopt Resolution 14-04, seconded by Director Shinaver and approved by the following roll call vote.

Ayes: Directors Bourikas, Chambers, Horn, Moore, and Shinaver

Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

3. Consider Resolution 14-05 Declaring May 2014 Water Awareness Month and Encouraging Water Conservation During the Statewide Drought

Staff recommends the adoption of 14-05 to help educate the public on water conservation and the statewide drought.

Director Bourikas moved to approve Resolution 14-05 declaring May 2014 Water Awareness Month and encouraging water conservation during the statewide drought, seconded by Director Horn and approved by the following roll call vote.

Ayes: Directors Bourikas, Chambers, Horn, Moore, and Shinaver
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

4. Consent Calendar

- Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 26, 2014
- Audit List

Director Chambers moved to approve the Consent Calendar, seconded by Director Shinaver and approved unanimously by Directors Bourikas, Chambers, Horn, Moore, and Shinaver.

5. Items Removed from the Consent Calendar for Discussion or Separate Action
None

6. Management Reports

6.1 Operations

Mr. Kolisz reported that the District responded to 57 Underground Service Alerts, 0 water main leaks, 2 blown meters, performed 3 leak audits, and had 1 service line leak and 1 fire hydrant repair. The new valve exerciser arrived. The new emergency generator is expected to arrive in approximately 10 weeks. Production continues to trend downward by 9% for the year. The proposed 10 part per billion standard for chromium VI has been forwarded to The Office of Administrative Law for approval. The Department of Health came out after a 10 year hiatus and inspected District wells resulting in an invoice for \$25,000 for the mandatory Sanitary Survey.

6.2 Finance

Ms. Cindy Byerrum reported that Springbrook implementation and training is continuing. Water sales continue to decline by approximately \$200,000 versus last year's sales. The 2014/2015 fiscal budget will include a possible rate study and in depth analysis to factor in costs for chromium 6 compliance.

6.3 General Manager

Ms. Alaniz clarified the procedure for payment plans. There were approximately 250 people who participated in the Water Education Day. The District will have a booth at the upcoming car show to discuss and promote healthy septic systems. Sprint/Nextel has vacated the cell site on Donnell Hill resulting in a \$14,000 loss to the District. AT&T is asking for a reduction in their tower lease agreement.

7. Future Agenda Items and Staff Tasks/Directors' Comments and Reports

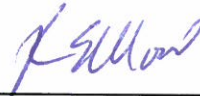
Director Shinaver would like staff to continue monitoring the adoption of the Chromium 6 standard.

Director Horn attended the USGS Aquifers 101 seminar.

Director Moore took a tour of CADIZ.


8. Adjournment

On motion by Director Shinaver seconded by Director Chambers and approved by the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.



Kerron E. Moore, President
Board of Directors

Attest:



Tamara Alaniz, Board Secretary
Twentynine Palms Water District