

## Sky Hi Domestic Water Improvement District Board of Director's Scheduled Meeting January 18, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Board of Directors meeting chaired and called to order by the Chairman Bill Lucas at 1:07 PM, at the residence of Chairman Bill Lucas. Notice of meeting location posted on pump house door.

In attendance: Bill Lucas, Bill Bro (via phone), Kathy Little, Maury Williams, and Brian Uren.

Call to the public: No public in attendance.

The Chairman reviewed the October 13, 2022 board meeting minutes. The Chairman gave a short review of the minutes, focusing on financial, water works and cell tower update. Chairman Bill Lucas motioned to approve minutes, second by Maurice Williams. Minutes approved unanimously and signed. Chairman Bill Lucas signed for Bill Bro via phone.

Treasurer's report: Treasurer Maurice Williams reviewed the 2022 budget items and projections.

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Water Works: Kathy Little reported the system continues to run as designed and there is nothing significant to report. Water loss rose a little bit in November to 9% but is still more than acceptable. Barry is still trying to locate an interested electrician for the variable speed drives. They may have located a reputable contractor out of Bisbee and are hoping to have them install some new equipment at Porter Mountain DWID and if that works out, Barry will get him to bid the job at Sky High. Meter behind the fence at the corner of Skylane and Baron Circle needs to be moved. Barry feels that the meter should not be locked behind a fence. They want access to the meter and service line for any situation including repair or reading at all times. They have had this situation many times over the years and it would be a mistake to not address and correct it. Meters were estimated as usual when the weather makes it necessary. There has not been a price increase in our contract with Barry since 8/2017, and Barry would like to propose an inflationary increase of 18% now followed by an automatic 3% per year increase starting in 2024.

Chairman Report: Terms expiring for Bill Bro, Maurice Williams, and Brian Uren and are up for re-election in November 2023. Chairman Bill Lucas sent information into County is correct. Upcoming available positions need to be posted in local paper. If reinstated or elected, term will be 4 (four) years. According to bylaws the board must appoint officers. The following individuals were self nominated for the following positions: Bill Lucas as Chairman, Bill Bro as Vice Chairman, Maurice Williams as Treasurer, Brian Uren as Recording Secretary, and Kathy Little as Member at Large. Chairman Bill Lucas made motion to approve board appointees, Kathy Little seconded, all other board members approved. Passed unanimous.

Cell Tower Update: an informal vote currently shows 57 support and 4 oppose the cell tower construction. Proposed monthly lease rate of \$1,200.00 with \$200.00 additional per tenant starting with the third tenant. Vertical Bridge willing to install sound abatement material in cabinets to ensure no noise increases. Sound study to be conducted prior to contruction start to provide benchmark sound level. Noise study will be done after each new tenant is added. Vertical Bridge will hire a RF Engineer to plot the "dead zones" in Sky Hi Retreat. Purchase order for RF Engineering Study has been ordered and should have completed map by end of February 2023. Chairman Bill Lucas questioned and opened the discussion on where the proceeds will go from the tower. Consensus from Water Board Members is to keep the proceeds within the Sky Hi Water District. Brian Uren asked about max capped height of tower, and it will be 75ft.

Old Business: Lot 20 procurement completed. Final cost was \$25,956.02 and sale recorded on November 14, 2022.

2023 Budget Review: Based off speculative water use of \$77k for 2023 we will keep our 2023 budget the same. Barry @ Kleansweep costs are planned to go up to \$1,800.00 midyear. Estimate of \$20k for system management, utilities to increase \$500.00 to \$5k. Maurice Williams to make changes to budget worksheet and send over to Stepanie Irwin.

Next meeting scheduled for April 12, 2023 at 1:00PM. Location: Pumphouse

Chairman Bill Lucas adjourned the meeting at 3:02PM.

Signed to approve these minutes and actions:

Bill Lucas, Chairman

Bill/Bro, Vice Chair

Maurice Williams, Tres.

Kathy Little, Water Works Chief

Brian Uren, Sec.