

Sky Hi Domestic Water Improvement District Board of Director's Scheduled Meeting April 15, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Board of Directors meeting chaired and called to order by the Chairman Bill Lucas on 04/15/2024 at 2:03 PM, at the Sky Hi DWID pump house.

In attendance: Bill Lucas, Kathy Little, Maury Williams, and Brian use

Call to the public: Trevor Deming with White Mountain Utilities, Robert Winter, and Bruce Sparrow.

The Chairman reviewed the Oct 25, 2023 board meeting minutes. The Chairman gave a short review of the minutes, focusing on financial, water works and cell tower update. Maury Williams motioned to approve minutes, Kathy Little seconded. Minutes approved unanimously and signed.

Chairman Bill Lucas introduced Trevor Deming with White Mountain Utilities. Trevor gave a brief overview of his operation and employee Tucker Johnson (absent). WMU office number for public release 928-241-4398. Trevor stated December 2023 through February 2024 water bills will be estimated. March 2024 will be first reading to bring all bills current. Maury Williams questioned the operation and benefit of electronic meters. Trevor will answer later.

Treasurer's report: Stephanie Erwin is busy with tax season. Few corrections need to be made on report. Additional column to be added to show tower rental income. All other items look good. Stephanie to input corrections into QuickBooks. Bill Lucas informed Trevor Deming any repair(s) over \$10,000.00 require two signatures. Bill Lucas to bring Trevor Deming contract to next meeting. Water company current value \$649,056.00. Current checking balance \$186,022.00. Treasurer Maurice report attached.

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Water Works: Trevor updated Kathy Little on the following. System is running great. Trevor will be repaint boxes on pump house and currently pumping minimal water, similar to last year usage. Trevor stated brass parts are hard to source. Trevor stated our current water meters are no longer made, and we have 5 left in stock. Electronic meters are a feasible option and the current industry standard. Auto read (RF) or drive by (RF) are a future option to add to meters at an additional \$200.00 cost. The auto read (RF) system will run about \$500.00 per resident. Bill Lucas suggested a tier approach to replacing meters, starting with the drive by or touchery and upgrade to remote monitoring once all installed. Maury Williams to work with Trevor Deming on a replacement program. Kathy Little questioned Trevor Deming on using up old meters vs starting with new style meters. Board will review finding at next meeting. Kathy Little questioned Trevor Deming on variable

frequency drives. Bill Lucas suggested we move to VFDs for all our drives. Trevor having difficult time finding electricians. Board suggested Phil Stratton. September 2024 is planned for chlorination. Kathy Little stated the three lots owned by the water company have been combined and the new APN is 311-19-020A.

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Administrative Report: Brian Uren to work with Trevor Deming on coordinating electrician to bis installing transfer switch and generator plug for emergency generator.

Chairman Report: Bill Lucas executed tower lease and will record copy of tower lease with Navajo County. Copy of unsigned lease in on website. Last mailing to community 8 were returned out of 200 mailed. Bill Lucas gave breakdown of DW Tower timeline. Once DW locates anchor tenant, they will start survey, walk and design layout, and plan on 5 months to get through planning and zoning. 3 month lead time for building permit. 3 months for tower construction. 2 months for carrier install. 12 month total lead time from start to finish. DW Tower requested everyone be notified of planning and zoning meeting. Kathy Little suggested to stop referencing Verizon on tower plans. Bruce Sparrow questioned 4 or 5g, no defined answer at this time. Once conceptual design and survey is complete, results will be uploaded to website. Bill Lucas recapped Trevor Demings presentation on VFDs and electronic meters. Brice Sparrow questioned summer water increase over winter. Maury Williams reviewed numbers and answered question.

Maurice Williams makes motion to adjourn meeting, Kathy Little seconds, unanimous by board to adjourn meeting at 3:30pm.

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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.