MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE **CARLSBAD BOARD OF SOLID WASTE COMMISSIONERS** OF THE CITY OF CARLSBAD, NEW MEXICO, HELD AT CITY HALL IN THE PLANNING ROOM ON April 18, 2018 AT 3:30 P.M.

Voting Members Present: Jerry Stanley, Chairman – Member at large

JJ Chavez, Board – Ward 2 Rick Salness, Board – Ward 3 Jim Grantner, Board – Ward 4

Voting Members Absent: JR Doporto, Board – Ward 2

Ex-Officio Members Absent: Mayor Dale Janway

Mike Hernandez, City Administrator

Board Secretary Absent: Luis Camero, Director of Engineering

Staff Present: Ron Myers, Director of Utilities

Raquel Leyva, SW Coordinator

Melissa Salcido, Grants Administrator Joe Harvey, WWTP Superintendent

Others Present: None

Jerry Stanley called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL OF VOTING MEMBERS and DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Jerry Stanley called the roll of voting members, determining that four of the five appointed board members were in attendance, which constitutes a quorum.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Jerry Stanley called for a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Rick Salness made the motion, which was seconded by JJ Chavez. The vote was as follows: Yes –Chavez, Salness, Stanley and Grantner. No – none. Abstain – none. Absent – JR Doporto. The motion carried.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF OCTOBER 18, 2017 MEETING

JJ Chavez made the motion to approve the October 18, 2017 minutes as presented, which was seconded by Jim Grantner. The vote was as follows: Yes –JJ Chavez, Salness, Stanley and Grantner. No – none. Abstain – none. Absent – JR Doporto. The motion carried.

4. SELECT A NEW VICE CHAIR

Jerry Stanley made the motion to nominate a new Vice Chair. JJ Chavez made the motion to nominate Jim Grantner which was seconded by Rick Salness. The vote was as follows: Yes-Chaves, Salness, Stanley and Grantner. No- none. Abstain – none. Absent –JR Doporto. The motion carried.

5. DISCUSS QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS FROM CITIZENS

Jerry Stanley asked if there were any questions or concerns from citizens and there were none.

6. REPORTS AND UPDATES

a. Financials – Melissa Salcido stated these are February 2018 Financials and the revenues for Solid Waste are favorable by \$493,000.00 and labor is favorable by \$161,688.00. Operations are unfavorable by \$277,541.00. Capital is favorable by \$118.00.00 and the net income is 1million 89.00. Jerry wanted to know if the last transfer was made from Solid Waste to the general fund for this budget year. Ron Myers believes there will be no more transfers into the general fund. Jim Grantner asked if there were concerns from the staff and there was none.

b. Solid Waste – Ron stated if there are any questions or concerns or anything specific anyone wanted to discuss. Jerry Stanley asked if there were any major changes or glitches. Ron stated based on the numbers on the reports he didn't see anything out of the ordinary, the waste received from Eddy County is showing 1,770 tons and last month it was 4,865 tons which is questionable but will be looked over, tipping fees are down substantially this month. Jerry stated he noticed that the 311 report there was a big jump in Grapple request he wanted to know if it was because of the people getting used to it. Ron stated it is that time of year for spring cleaning and the Grapple is very busy. Jerry stated he was very pleased with the numbers on the convenience station because of the county residents percentages have climbed from now than in the beginning and he feels like this is a very good thing. Jim Grantner suggested that we take the rainbow recycling operation off of the summary report and at the bottom of the recycling numbers make a footnote stating when recycling possibly ended and when it might start up again in case future citizens ask about it.

c. Public Outreach – Jerry Stanley asked if we had any information that was going to be inserted into the monthly water bills. Ron stated at this time no but that we are having our household hazardous waste clean-up on April 28 which is done twice a year and that we have put it on facebook and our city website. Jerry Stanley suggested putting it in the lil Argus. Rick Salness stated it is publicized at NWP Wipp Site.

7. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RECOMMENDATION TO SUBMIT THE NEW SOLID WASTE ORDINANCE TO COUNCIL

Jerry Stanley educated the new board members on where we've been with the history of the Solid Waste new Ordinance, The Solid Waste Ordinance has been in rewrite for over 6 months with quite a few people involved such as Solid Waste staff, City staff, City Administration, City Attorney, and Mayor Janway. Jerry stated that the final rewrite was done extremely well and it covers all bases and cleared up any confusing language. Jerry discussed the loss in revenue for the Solid Waste rates. Ron Myers explained to the board that the recycling bins that have recently been pulled from businesses are being re-painted and given to new and existing businesses for their commercial use. These repurposed containers are now generating revenue for the Solid Waste department. The board meeting members discussed different scenarios in hotel and motel rates and the financial pros and cons of each idea presented. Jerry Stanley stated that he believes City Council will support the new Solid Waste Ordinance with little to no hesitation. Jim Grantner made the motion to approve the submission of the new Solid Waste Ordinance, including new rates, to City Council, seconded by Salness. The vote was as follows: Yes – JJ Chavez, Salness, Stanley and Grantner. No – none. Abstain – none. Absent – JR Doporto. The motion carried.

8. <u>DISCUSS TREE LIMBS AT WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT</u>

Joe Harvey the Waste Water Treatment Plant Superintendent educated the new board members on the history of the tub grinder use for mulching. Joe Harvey stated that the wood chips are needed to mix with the bio solids and it heated up for compost. Ron Myers discussed possible budget opportunities to purchase a tub grinder in the future. Joe Harvey stated that he has priced new and used tub grinders and they range from \$250,000 and up. Harvey also received a quote on a one month grinding contract at a price of \$28,000 per month.

9. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Jerry Stanley called for a motion to adjourn. Jim Grantner made the motion to adjourn, seconeded by Rick Salness. The vote was as follows: Yes – JJ Chavez, Salness, Stanley and Grantner. No- none. Abstain – none. Absent – JR Doporto. The motion carried. This meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:25 p.m.

JERRY STANLEY, Chair