

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF WATER AND SEWER COMMISSIONERS APRIL 21, 2022, AT 8:30 A.M., IN THE PLANNING ROOM AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 101 N. HALAGUENO STREET, CARLSBAD, NM

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:	Craig Stephens John Bowen Dennis Miehl	Chairman Member Member
VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT:	Fred Beard Gary Perkowski	Member Member
EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT:	Eddie Rodriguez John Lowe	Ex-Officio/Mayor Pro-Tem/ Member Ex-Officio/City Administrator/Secretary
EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS ABSENT:		
OTHERS PRESENT:	KC Cass Ron Myers Wes Nichols Denise Madrid Boyea Melissa Salcido Richard Aguilar Angela Hernandez Steve McCutcheon George Boyce Max Reyes	Deputy City Administrator Director of Utilities Deputy Director of Utilities City Attorney Director of Finance Environmental Services Superintendent Executive Assistant Citizen Citizen Citizen

1. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

C. Stephens called roll and it was determined that there was a quorum of voting members.

2. Approval of Agenda

The motion was made by J. Bowen and seconded by D. Miehl to Approve the Agenda. The vote was as follows, Yes: C. Stephens, J. Bowen, D. Miehl No: None Absent: F. Beard, G. Perkowski. The Motion passed.

3. Approval of Minutes of the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners Regular Meeting held February 17, 2020

The motion was made by D. Miehl and seconded by J. Bowen to Approve the Minutes of the Regular Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners Meeting held on February 17, 2022. The vote was as follows, Yes: C. Stephens, J. Bowen, D. Miehl No: None Absent: F. Beard, G. Perkowski. The Motion passed.

4. Consider Approval for Request for from DBR Land Holdings Outside City Limits Water Service for property located at 802 N. Lake

George Boyce, ranch manager for Delaware Basin Ranches and Holdings spoke of a property owned by S. McCutcheon that has caught his eye and he is looking forward to using this property. J. Lowe explained that Mr. McCutcheon came before the Board for Dagger Draw Ranch and that was approved. Mr. McCutcheon is in the process of selling this property and this would allow the new owners to apply for Outside the City Limits Water Service. Once sold the process needs to start over with new owners. S. McCutcheon states this deal has been going on for a fair amount of time and these guys have been really good to deal with.

The motion was made by D. Miehl and seconded by J. Bowen to approve request. The vote was as follows, Yes: C. Stephens, J. Bowen, D. Miehl No: None Absent: F. Beard, G. Perkowski. The motion passed.

5. Utilities Department Monthly Reports and Project Updates presented by Ron Myers

R. Myers stated nothing unusual and everything is going well. D. Miehl asked about any big projects. R. Myers stated they have projects in the works, a water and sewer line down Old Cavern, repairing things around town that have been a problem for a long time, on Hildalgo replacing a section of leaking lines, a 36" water line out of Reservoir 2 that feeds most of the City, loop road will go over it, they will bury next to it a casing in the event the existing water line fails, so they wouldn't have to dig up the highway.

J. Lowe said another big project is Bataan Lift Station, we received a grant and the project came in over budget. It was about \$500k over budget. K. Cass said the cost of materials and labor is much higher. We got a \$2M grant from EPA to replace the north collector line at Double Eagle and received an additional \$1.1M to complete. The Federal Government gave us a preliminary award in December and we are still waiting on a reply. It is good news for our community.

6. Financial Reports presented by Melissa Salcido

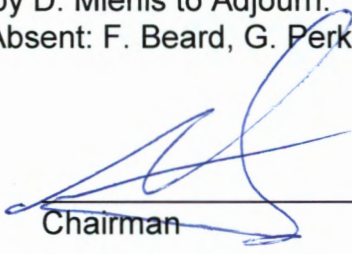
M. Salcido gave a summary of the February Financials. Revenues are unfavorable to the budget. Costs for labor are favorable to the budget, operating costs are favorable to the budget and capital costs are favorable to the budget.

C. Stephens asked if there was a publication about re-connect fees. M. Salcido said there was announcement on Facebook of disconnects beginning on Tuesday. J. Lowe stated this is month 2 of disconnects. The City took a hiatus for approximately 8 months to help citizens out during COVID. M. Salcido stated a lot of people had not paid their bills since July of 2021 due to COVID. The City does have payment arrangements for people. We listen to hardship cases and want to help people.

R. Myers states effluent water use is still pumping into the river. E. Rodriguez said the cost of transporting is expensive.

7. Adjourn

The motion was made by J. Bowen and seconded by D. Miehl to Adjourn. The vote was as follows, Yes: C. Stephens, J. Bowen, D. Miehl No: None, Absent: F. Beard, G. Perkowski. The Motion passed.



Chairman