# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE SOUTH DAVIS WATER DISTRICT HELD AUG. 9, 2023 AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE LOCATED AT 407 WEST 3100 SOUTH, BOUNTIFUL, UTAH

#### Trustees Present:

M. Jerry Hawley Chairman
Ron Mortensen Trustee
Kathy Thurston Trustee

#### Also present:

Jake M. Ferguson Manager
Tracie James District Clerk
Greg Smith Resident
Curt Kofford Resident
Elaine Oaks Resident

The meeting was called to order by Trustee Hawley at 4:35 p.m., after which he welcomed all those present.

# Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Trustee Mortensen moved that the minutes from July 19, 2023, be approved as written. Trustee Thurston seconded the motion. The motion carried with Trustees Hawley, Mortensen and Thurston voting "aye".

# **Expenditures Update:**

The expense report for July was reviewed. Trustee Thurston moved that the expenses for July be ratified and approved. Trustee Mortensen seconded the motion. The motion carried with Trustees Hawley, Mortensen and Thurston voting "aye".

## Manager's Report:

# Update on the Progress of Secondary Metering:

Mr. Ferguson reported that recently, he has not been able to get hold of the project manager at the State of Utah Division of Water Resources, Ben Marett, who manages the ARPA grant money. Mr. Ferguson stated that he has been working to get the State to allow the District to use the ARPA funds for alternative conservation projects that would save more water than metering. The District would like to install radio read meters for the culinary system as well as pressure reducing valves (PRV) on the secondary system. Mr. Ferguson estimates that the District could save as much as 600 acre feet of irrigation water per year just by installing pressure reducing valves on the secondary water system.

Mr. Ferguson reported that the District has received material for the secondary metering project in the amount of \$130,645. The restocking fee on this material is 30%. However, the District has not received 100% of the materials needed to start the project. Brass parts are still very difficult to find.

Mr. Ferguson reported that the project to install secondary water meters on churches and schools will be put out to bid next week. ESI Engineering will be assisting the District with this bidding. Engineers estimate is \$130,000 for labor and material.

## Construction and Maintenance Projects:

Mr. Ferguson reported that the road reconstruction portion of the 725 W. waterline replacement project is now complete. The District is waiting on a final breakdown of the project from ESI Engineering. Once that is received, the District will bill North Salt Lake City for their portion.

Mr. Ferguson reported that he met with Sunrise Engineering in order to determine how Sunrise Engineering can best assist with compiling an inventory of all service line material. Mr. Ferguson stated that this must be completed by the end of 2024 in order to comply with the Revised Lead and Copper Rule. Sunrise Engineering will invoice the State directly for any assistance provided to the District. District office staff provided Sunrise Engineering with a list of culinary connections and the dates that each property was built, as well as a GIS map of District assets.

Mr. Ferguson reported that the District has had the Val Vista #1 well casing cleaned out in order to inspect for holes and/or breaks in the pipe. A camera was sent down the pipe and no holes or breaks were found, however, the perforations in the pipe are extremely clogged. The District is going to attempt to run a test pump to hopefully get the amount of flow needed.

Mr. Ferguson reported that District personnel have repaired an irrigation service line break on 3450 S. and 50 W. The break caused some road damage. Personnel also repaired a hydrant that was leaking, and have been very busy marking District water lines for Blue Stakes. There are several fiber internet companies who are currently rushing to install fiber in Bountiful, therefore, there have been many Blue Stake requests. The fiber contractors did hit a Weber Basin line that was 7 feet deep while boring in Orchard Dr., which caused extensive damage. This is a concern for the District as well.

#### Water Outlook:

The reservoirs that provide water to the District are 88.5% full. District residents are doing a great job at conserving water.

## Staffing Update:

The District has hired a new water operator, Jay Dee Watt. Mr. Watt is an experienced and certified water operator. He will start August. 21st. District water operator, Siona Nuusila is going to stay on as part-time with the District to help with after-hours water leaks and GIS mapping of District assets.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:26 p.m.

District Clerk