EMIGRATION IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2022

111 E BROADWAY, 11TH FLOOR

SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84111

AND ZOOM

**Regular Meeting**

Board Members in Attendance: Mike Hughes – Chair, Brent Tippets – Co-Chair, David Bradford – Secretary/Clerk

Ex Officio: Eric Hawkes—District Manager, Jeremy Cook—Legal Counsel

Chair Hughes called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

**1. Consent Approval - Minutes for August 17, 2022**

MOTION: David Bradford made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 17, 2022, Trustee Meeting as written. Brent Tippets seconded the motion.

VOTE: Unanimous in favor of the motion.

**2. Financial Considerations & Report**

Monthly Financial Report

Mr. Hawkes gave a summary of the monthly financials. Steve Hook repeated his concerns that the maintenance budget appears to be quite under budget. He is concerned that the District is deferring maintenance and has been fortunate to date. The Board reiterated that because of the delay in receiving the maintenance bills from vendors, the category appears higher than it is.

**3. District Water Rate Increase Discussion and Schedule Public Hearing**

The Board members have reached an agreement on the water rate increase. Mr. Bradford outlined what that increase would be. It is a relatively modest increase, depending on how much water is being used. There is no change in the water availability charge. He outlined the impact on households within each range. Mr. Bradford then gave the reasonings that led to this increase. Ms. McAnulty suggested that a concise summary be put out to residents. The Board decided to put the information on the website. Mr. Hook suggested that they emphasize to the public that the District is in great need for more revenue just to break even. There will be a public hearing at the next meeting to discuss the water rate increase.

**4. EID’s Involvement of Utilizing Busse Wastewater Systems to Aid in Cleanup of E.Coli in Emigration Creek and the System Installation Update on Sunnydale Lane**

Chair Hughes reviewed what the Busse system is and what the District has underway regarding utilizing this system. The Board is monitoring it and will send reports to the Health Department, and in the meantime, they will lobby the state to adopt legislation to allow these systems. This is no new construction and there will be no change to existing septic systems. EID is going to pretreat the waste before it goes into the existing septic system to see if they can take the load off before it goes into the system. Chair Hughes has a goal to get the creek off the TMDL list. Mindy McAnulty asked if a resident could pay for a system on their own and move ahead. Chair Hughes suggested that resident contact him directly. She also asked about the timeline for getting a bill to the legislature; Chair Hughes responded hopefully in the next session.

**5. Watery System Report--System Consumption Report**

Mr. Hawkes reported that Don Barnett was out of town. The water reports will be given at the next meeting when Mr. Barnett can present the data.

**6. Maintenance and Repairs**

1. New Badger Meter Installation and Training Update. Mr. Hawkes has not heard yet if the grant was successful.
2. Well 2—VFD Installation/Update. Mr. Hawkes said the panel was ordered and it will be installed when it arrives.
3. Brigham Fork Repairs. He has reached out to Larry Hall, who agreed to gather data about the water quality and can hopefully come to the next meeting. There was a brief discussion about iron bacteria.
4. Repair on 893 Pinecrest Road. Mr. Hawkes described the repair on 893 Pinecrest Road.

**7. Any Items for Discussion from Board and/or from Visiting Public, Dismiss Public**

Mindy McAnulty reported that there are plans for sixty Beaver Dam Analogs on Freeze Creek. These will have photo points for people to take a picture and send to a website and they will be able to see a time lapse. She described where they will put in the first four next spring.

Joe Smolka said that the Metro Township is working on upgrading the Zoom capabilities at the fire station.

**8. Closed Session – Pending Litigation**

MOTION: Board Member David Bradford made a motion to convene in closed session to discuss pending litigation. Brent Tippets seconded the motion.

VOTE: Unanimous in favor of the motion.

The Board of Trustees met in closed session from 8:00 – 8:15 p.m. Those present included the Board of Trustees, Eric Hawkes, Jeremy Cook.

MOTION: Board Member David Bradford made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mike Hughes seconded the motion.

VOTE: Unanimous in favor of the motion.

The regular meeting of the Emigration Improvement District adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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