

EMIGRATION IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19, 2021

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, Don Barnett, Barnett Intermountain Consulting

Chair Hughes called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

1. Consent Approval - Minutes for July 8, 2021

MOTION: David Bradford made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2021, Trustee Meeting as written. Brent Tippets seconded the motion.

VOTE: Unanimous in favor of the motion.

2. Financial Considerations & Report

Mr. Hawkes gave a summary of the monthly financial considerations and reports. Steve Hook asked for clarification on the balance of the legal category. Mr. Cook took the opportunity to clarify that the EID had pending lawsuits—one is a federal case before Judge Parrish. They had

a motion for attorney's fees, which they partially settled with Mr. Tracy's former law firm. That is reflected in the financials. That puts the EID in the net positive for the year for attorney's fees. They are still waiting for a decision from Judge Parrish about fees from Mr. Tracy.

3. Internal Audit FY2019 and 2020 – Dave Bradford

Mr. Bradford reported on the internal audit. Mr. Bradford said he looked over the records that Mr. Hawkes keeps and stated that his record keeping is spectacular. He did not find any exceptions.

4. Sustainability Alliance

Watershed Event

The Sustainability Alliance has organized an Emigration Canyon Watershed Event to be held on September 18th. Their goal is to have a fun event (music, kid activities, survey, food trucks, etc.) to bring residents together to celebrate the beautiful canyon we live in. Another goal is to get a lot of input from residents and to gather with other stakeholders to create partnerships. She invited the EID to have a booth and stated that she has spoken with Mr. Hawkes, and he has great ideas for an EID booth. Some ideas include presenting improvements that are happening through EID along with their future ideas or plans. The Sustainability Alliance asked the EID to support the event financially. The total bill is \$1600. Chair Hughes and the other members agreed to help. After discussion and consulting legal counsel, the Board agreed to cover all the costs. They talked about the logistics of how to pay for it and decided that the Sustainability Alliance will submit the receipts to Mr. Hawkes who will verify the accuracy and pay them.

MOTION: Mr. Bradford proposed a limit of \$1600 and to approve those expenditures. Brent Tippetts seconded the motion.

VOTE: Unanimous in favor of the motion.

Water Grant Application and Adding Mainline Leak Detection

Ms. McAnulty referenced an article from the *Salt Lake Tribune* discussing sensors that Park City Public Utilities has used to help them identify the leaks in their system. The technology has improved their efficiency dramatically. She wanted to know if the EID would like to add that to the grant they will be writing. Chair Hughes responded that the EID certainly needs to solve the

problem but that the District may go a different route. Ms. McNulty also brought up that several residents have said that they would pay for a new radio read meter themselves because of the ability to track their own water usage. Steve Hook asked about reconciliation measures and if the District has measurement tools in place to measure their loss. Chair Hughes responded that the Board does, to some degree.

5. Oaks Cluster Septic System Annual Inspection

Mr. Hawkes reported there were no concerns with the Oaks Cluster Septic System. As is standard, he switched the system to the other field and reported that everything is operating well.

6. June 2021 – Lead and Copper Testing Results

Mr. Hawkes reported on the results of the lead and copper testing. There was one sample that came in over the limit on lead, but since the testing is based on the 90th percentile scale, the state has reduced EID's sampling to ten homes once a year. The test results are on the website. Steve Hook asked if this is testing at the home level (correct). The District does test their own sources annually.

7. Badger Meter – Pilot Program and Moving Forward

Mr. Hawkes asked if the Board would like to move forward with ordering more of the Badger meters. The District has budgeted to do half of them, and if they are still anticipating doing them they need to move forward on that because of timing issues procuring the supplies. It would be ideal to install the meters in October and November. Mr. Hawkes has pinpointed areas or homes that would be most benefited by these meters. It would take about three weeks to install 100 new meters.

8. Water System Report (System Consumption Report and Well Level Report)

Don Barnett reported on the water usage in July. July is typically the biggest month of water usage, and given how hot it was this year, he was very pleased and surprised that the water usage was lower than the past five years. It was well below the medium amount. Residents took the

guidelines and let their grass grow a little brown and reduced their usage. He is hopeful that if the canyon continues to get rain through the fall it will help the runoff next year.

Well Level Report: Well 1 is at 150 feet, Well 2 is at 216 feet, Upper Freeze Creek is at 903, and Brigham Fork is at artesian.

9. Any items for discussion from board and/or from visiting public, dismiss public.

An audience member, Richard Andrew, commented on the new road striping and that the lanes from the zoo seem smaller. The Board told him that was an issue with the City.

10. Closed Session – Pending Litigation

MOTION: Board Member David Bradford made a motion to convene in closed session to discuss pending and imminent litigation or purchase/lease of real property. Brent Tippets seconded the motion.

VOTE: Unanimous in favor of the motion.

The Board of Trustees met in closed session from 7:58 to 9:55 p.m. Those present included the Board of Trustees, Eric Hawkes, Don Barnett, 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 9:55 p.m.

Minutes Approved