EMIGRATION IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2023

EMIGRATION CANYON FIRE STATION

5025 EMIGRATION CANYON ROAD

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

AND ZOOM

 **Regular Meeting**

Board Members in Attendance: David Bradford – Chair, Brent Tippets – Co-Chair, Mark Stevens – Co-Chair

Ex Officio: Eric Hawkes—District Manager, Jeremy Cook—Legal Counsel, Don Barnett-- Barnett Intermountain Consulting

David Bradford called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

**1. Consent Approval - Minutes for October 19, 2023**

MOTION: Brent Tippets made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2023, Trustee Meeting as written. Mark Stevens seconded the motion.

VOTE: Unanimous in favor of the motion.

**2. Financial Considerations and Report**

Mr. Hawkes presented the monthly financial considerations and report. Typically, the EID does not collect revenue during the winter months. However, with the new meters they will be able to get water usage data and thus they will be able to bill throughout the winter. There are still homes that were not able to get the new meters installed, and there was a discussion about how to bill those residents. The trustees decided to estimate those homes’ usage and adjust it when they are able to get readings in the spring. The billing for those homes will reflect “estimated” during the winter months and when they read the meters in the spring, they will reflect “adjusted.”

**3. FY2024 Budget Review**

The Board reviewed the proposed FY2024 Budget. Mr. Hawkes reviewed the various categories

for 2024, explaining his reasoning behind the anticipated costs and revenues. The budget generally stays the same from year to year. They discussed anticipated revenue and possible new connections.

MOTION: Mr. Stevens made a motion to approve the proposed budget for FY2024 and to set

the public hearing date for the budget as December 14th, 2023. Chair Bradford seconded the

motion.

VOTE: Unanimous in favor of the motion.

**4. Revised Lead and Copper Rule Requirements by October 2024**

The State has revised the lead and copper rule requirements. There is now more burden on water districts: for any homes that were constructed before 1989, the District must find out what kind of service line enters the home. There is money available for remediation, if a homeowner discovers they have lead or galvanized pipes, but the responsibility is still on the District to work with the homeowners to determine what kind of service line they have into their home. Mr. Hawkes stated that this change does not impact the current testing process for lead and copper. That testing process remains the same.

**5. Water System Report –System Consumption Report**

Mr. Barnett presented the water system report, which showed a continued pattern of water conservation. The water usage in October was half of September’s usage, as residents stopped watering outside. The usage has increased since last year, but in total it was right on the median value, even with more connections.

**6. Maintenance and Repairs**

Mr. Hawkes stated that there was a leak/repair at 70 N Pioneer Fork Rd. The EID also repaired the mainline PRV at 5543 Pioneer Fork Rd. Regarding the new meters, Mr. Hawkes did clarify from the last meeting that homeowners can get a relatively quick leak alert from the new meters. He will put up a tutorial on the website.

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

Audience member Gary Bowen briefly updated the Board on a lawsuit from Mr. Tracy. Next, the Board mentioned that they were able to get an exemption from the Township’s patching moratorium. Discussion shifted to the Brigham Fork Well and what the Board needs to do to repair the well or drill another well. The Board agreed to add a line item to the proposed budget, allocating $30,000 toward well resource, exploration, and planning. Chair Bradford agreed to call the landowner of the Brigham Fork Well, Mr. Kramer. The Board would also like to get everyone together and have a work meeting.

Tyler Tippets from the audience asked if the District had plans to extend the line into Sunnydale. The Board responded that they are waiting for interest from Sunnydale residents to support the cost of running the line down to that neighborhood.

MOTION: Board Member Brent Tippets made a motion to adjourn the meeting. David Bradford seconded the motion.

VOTE: Unanimous in favor of the motion.

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

**CLOSED SESSION**

Because Jeremy Cook was not able to be present at the meeting, the Board held a closed session the following Monday, November 20th via Zoom, to discuss pending litigation.

David Bradford called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

MOTION: Board Chairman 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 7:05 — 7:58 p.m. Those present included David Bradford, Brent Tippets, Mark Stevens, Eric Hawkes, Jeremy Cook, Don Barnett, and Mike Hughes.

MOTION: Board Member Brent Tippets made a motion to adjourn the meeting. David Bradford seconded the motion.

VOTE: Unanimous in favor of the motion.

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Minutes Approved