

**TRI-CITY REGIONAL SANITARY DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
October 26, 2020**

**President Miranda called the meeting to order at 5:27 p.m. at the IBEW Hall and via ZOOM**

**PRESENT:** M.A.Moreno, E.Miranda, R.Jacques, , L.Valdez, Financial Advisor via Zoom.

**Absent: S.Palmer**

**Public:** via Zoom – D.Marcanti

In person – T.Werner, H.Farester, F.Barcon, D.Farester

- Item # 1. Minutes of September 21, 2020 were approved by motion of R.Jacques, seconded by E.Miranda.
- Item # 2 Review recommendations of members of the TRSD Board for persons having the necessary qualifications to replace John Chism for the balance of his term of office - Tabled
- Item # 3 Possible action to vote on a replacement and Oath of Office.Tabled
- Addendum M.A.Moreno reported that Gila County reported a balance of \$225.464.36 in the District account as of September 30, 2020. Accepted by motion of R.Jacques, seconded by E.Miranda**
- Item # 4 **Update** on Bridge Loan Financing for the engineering and certain incidental expenses for the TRSD Phase 1 project, including update on progress regarding funding. L.Valdez reported via Zoom that that he had changed companies and sent a new agreement for the Board's consideration. He explained the steps that had been taken to date on behalf of the District and that he is prepared to move forward on discussions with interested banks once he is authorized to do so. President Miranda reported that Bond Counsel Rosenfeld recommended tabling any action on any contract or agreement until the District has an attorney engaged. Tabled by consensus
- Item # 5 Status on request by owners of properties within Miami Gardens concerning withdrawal from the boundaries of TRSD. Revise of Impact Statement drafted by Attorney Clemmens concerning the withdrawal of Miami Gardens and additional parcels. Possible decision by TRSD Board and direction to staff. Tabled by motion of M.A.Moreno, seconded by R.Jacques.
- Item # 6 Discussion and review of the EJCDC Agreement with PACE for engineering work on Phase II of the TRSD Project. Possible action by the TRSD Board concerning engineering work on Phase II. This agenda item may include an Executive Session concerning contract negotiations – Tabled by motion of E.Miranda, seconded by E.Miranda.
- Item # 7 Review of revised Resolution 20-002. At the completion of the review, possible action to adopt Resolution 20-002 – the reviewed document has been sent to Bond Counsel for review. E.Miranda moved that any action be table until such review has been completed, seconded by R.Jacques and carried.
- Item # 8 Update and discussion concerning the question raised at the TRSD Board meeting of September 21, 2020 by Board Member R. Jacques re the amounts paid to PACE for engineering services under existing contracts. Presentation by Board member Jacques summarizing his review – PACE sent a spread sheet for 2012 to 2019 – R.Jacques has reviewed tasks, labor hours, elements. Substantiation has been provided to R.Jacques to support the information and he will continue his review..
- Item 9 Basic Board Training and possible use of Deborah Patton under contract for this service. The training would consist of one session beginning at approximately 9 a.m. and ending at 4 p.m. and include a lunch break. This training has been provided before. E.Miranda will contact D. Patten and explore possible dates.
- Item # 10 Discussion and possible action concerning contact with accounting firms that perform audits for public agencies – an audit was not called for since target points hadn't been met. E.Miranda moved and agreed that he would reach out to firms for quotes, seconded by M.A.Moreno and carried with the information be provided by January 1, 2021.

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- Item # 11 Discussion, review and action on the Letter of Resignation from Attorney Clemmens as TRSD General Counsel. This agenda item may include and Executive Session to review the letter from Attorney Clemmens – Motion to table this item was made by E.Miranda, seconded by R.Jacques and carried.
- Item # 12 Payment of Bills –  
**Ted Thayer** submitted a bill for Website services for September, 2020 in the amount of \$82.67 which included renewal of the TRSD Website URL with GoDaddy.com. Approved for payment by motion of M.A.Moreno, seconded by R. Jacques.  
**Attorney Clemmens** submitted a bill for legal services for the month of September in the amount of \$7,062.49 Approved for payment by motion of M.A.Moreno, seconded by R. Jacques.  
**IBEW** – submitted a bill for \$150.00 for use of the meeting room on October 5 and 19, 2020. Approved for payment by M.A.Moreno, seconded by R. Jacques.  
**Samuel Accounting** submitted a bill in the amount of \$181.40. Approved for payment by motion of M.A.Moreno, seconded by E.Miranda  
**Robert Jacques** submitted a request for reimbursement for copies and travel to the PACE office in Scottsdale in the total amount of \$130.23. Approved for payment by motion of M.A.Moreno, seconded by E,Miranda.
- PACE had** submitted a bill in the amount of \$9,451.00 for work on the Phase II Preliminary Engineering Report. E.Miranda moved to hold payment until further information is received from PACE, seconded by R.Jacques and carried. Tabled by motion of E.Miranda, seconded by M.A.Moreno.
- Item # 13 **Call to the Public:**  
Any member of the public desiring to speak on a matter that IS NOT scheduled on this agenda may do so at this time, to members of the TRSD Board. Comments will be limited to 3 minutes per person and addressed to the entire Board. A “Request to Address the Board” Form should be filled out and submitted prior to the beginning of the Board meeting  
H.Farester - Requested information on total amounts due PACE for work performed to date and noted that even areas withdrawn from the District are responsible for charges incurred prior to the withdrawal. He also expressed concern that Attorney Clemmens office provide all materials related to TRSD to the TRSD office.  
F.Barcon – expressed concern regarding legal issues, especially as regards audits and a number of other matters., lies re
- Item # 14 Update list of addresses for e-mail notices of meetings and agendas – E.Miranda will verify that L.Valdez is on the contact list.
- Item # 15 **Next Regular Meeting –November 2, 2020, Executive Session Meeting, 5:15 p.m. at IBEW Zoom  
November 9, 2020 Regular Meeting, 5:15 p.m. at IBEW and Zoom**
- Item # 16 Meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m. by motion of R.Jacques, seconded by E.Miranda and carried.