# TRI-CITY REGIONAL SANITARY DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES December 4, 2018

#### President Pro-Tem Buzan called the meeting to order at 5:18 p.m.

PRESENT:, M.Buzan, J.Chism, M.A.Moreno, R.Zache, Legal Counsel, W. Clemmens, Legal Assistant/Clerk, R. Hadley, M.Krebs, P.E., PACE, Jeff Hays, USDA-RD, Program Director, Robert Lanford, USDA-RD, J.Garrett, Gila Co., Tim Humphrey, Gila Co. Supervisor, J.Menlove, Gila Co. Manager, Rochelle LCapa, Congressman O'Halleran's office.
Public – D.Abbott, AZ Silverbelt, Robert and Jeanne Jacques, Bill Marshall, M.Gonzalez, K.Boeldt, F.Barcon, J.Twomey, J.Stanneart, G.Miller, E.Burns, R.Burns, J.Zache, C.Amaro, E.Balch, B.Bradford, A.Brice, C.Farester, D.Farester, H.Farester, M.Mejia, A.Petty, J.Petty, S.Power, N.J.Savage, D.Demars, D.Hayes, G.Grider, B.Dooly, J.W.Medlin, B.Nowakowski, J.Nowakowski, C.Askew, A.Boeldt, J.Fornfeist, Sr.,M.Esteves, J.Esteves, K.Mapes
13, 2018 – Approved by motion of MB, seconded by JC.

- Item #2 Treasurer's report Balance in the District Account as of October 31. -No Information.
- Item #3 **Report and Legal Advice** concerning petitions submitted to Wm. Clemmens from property owners In the Vertical Heights Subdivision requesting that TRSD exempt their properties from taxation – B.Marshall met with Deputy Assessor, Joe Williams, who provided assistance and step by step Procedures for the de-annexation. Included in the packet are signed petitions from the Vertical Heights Property owners. The next steps are up to the TRSD Board. F.Barcon referenced District minutes of September, 2011 regarding the Resolution merging the District – and stated that the District hasn't met the requirements with respect to ARS 48-001, 002 and asserted that the mapping is incorrect.
- Item #4 Discussion re Outreach Meetings Scheduled for December 5, 2018 Scheduled for 1:30 and 5:30 on December 5<sup>th</sup>.

G.Miller registered a complaint that the residents had been unaware of this situation until 4 or 5 months ago; posting the agenda at the Claypool Post Office at 5 p.m. or whatever is not sufficient notice. J.Hayes pointed out that the Board could not provide definitive information until it had received solid information regarding the money from USDA in August.

D.Demers reported that the company staking the Notice of Intention came onto private property to place one of the signs.

Item # 5 **Report Communications between PACE and BHP** concerning location and impact of the WWTP' Including issues regarding the Cobre Valley Regional Medical Center – PACE and TRSD staff met with hospital administration regarding the proposed site and will be meeting with BHP representatives on January 10th

# Item #6 Report on status of notices required by TRSD according to Arizona Revised Statutes and the Resolution of Intention – 2 publications plus notices of Intention, posted, W.Ecker – do TRSD have objective criteria regarding what is practical for hooking up to the sewer. He wants to see definitive criteria. J.Stanneart – is this project going to be bid?

- H.Farester had a comment regarding the need for a Notary Public when protesting the project.
- Item # 7. Schedule for the preparation of the PER for Phase II of the TRSD Project No update
- Item #8 **Report on pending action by the Town of Miami regarding their DMA scheduled for review by the** CAG Environmental Committee on December 12, 2018 – Attorney Clemmens was appointed to the committee for the District and will be listening to the presentation by the Town of Miami on Dec. 12
- Item # 9 Canvass of the **TRSD Board Member election John Chism, Bill Tower and Stephen Palmer.** Were unofficially elected to the Board and will take office at the January meeting. Neither Mr. Tower Nor Mr. Palmer were in attendance

#### Item # 10 Requests filed to address the Board –

Tim Humphrey – the area needs a sewer system due to abandonment, failed systems and cess pools that have to affect ground water eventually. The county is engaging an outside Consultant to evaluate

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all of the treatment systems and infrastructure needs of the entire community and provide an objective report. This review will not interfere with the current process which Supervisor Humphrey hopes will proceed positively.

Item # 11 Report on legal requirements for Protest by property owners opposed to the TRSD Project. The Project Period begins Tuesday, December 4, 2018 and ends at 12:00 (Midnight) on Tuesday, December 18, 2018 Protests are to be filed at the office of the TRSD Clerk, office of TRSD Attorney Clemmens at 136 N.Miami Ave, Miami, AZ.

Discussion re the receipt of Protests at the office of the Clerk including office hours and use of additional staff to provide full coverage during the fifteen (15) day Protest period. The Office at 136 N.Miami Ave. Miami, AZ will be staffed from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 7 days a week and will be staffed until midnight on Dec. 18, 2018.

Report by M.Krebs regarding review and calculation of Protests received during the Protest period and timing of report on results to the TRSD Board – M.Krebs will be working on the spreadsheet calculation of the protests vs. the footage of the district.

H.Farester asked about an objective 3<sup>rd</sup> party and was informed the Statute requires the engineer make the calculations.

## Item # 12 **Payment of Bills:**

Attorney Clemmens submitted a bill in the amount of \$12,412.34 for services rendered and expenses incurred (receipts attached) for the month of November. Approved for payment by motion of M.A.Moreno, seconded by M.Buzan.

T.Thayer submitted a bill in the amount of \$62.50 for Website services for November, 2018. Approved for payment by motion of M.Buzan, seconded by M.A.Moreno.

Graffiti Graphics & Printing, Inc. submitted a bill in the amount of \$2,414.88 for printing and mailing the required letters to homeowners of record in the TRSD – Approved for payment by motion of M.Buzan, seconded by M.A.Moreno.

B.Clemmen's submitted a request for reimbursement for payment to Western Reprographics in the amount of 205.82 for a sign plus frame. Approved for payment by motion of M.Buzan, seconded by M.A.Moreno.

Item # 13 Update list of addressees for e-mail notices of meetings and agendas: Anyone not previously listed who has shared their e-mail address on the sign-in sheet.

## Item # 14 Next Regular Board Meeting – January 29, 2019, 5:15 p.m. at the IBEW

**Item #15 H.Farester** asked for a written guarantee of the \$45 for loan repayment plus service.

M.A.Moreno moved the Board move to Executive session and reconvene in regular session when completed, seconded by M.Buzan and carried at 7:55 p.m. Regular meeting reconvened at 7:57 p.m.

Item # 16 Regular Meeting adjourned by motion of M.A.Moreno, seconded by J.Chism and carried at 7:59 p.m.