

TRI-CITY REGIONAL SANITARY DISTRICT
Regular Meeting December 19, 2022

- Item # 1 President Jacques called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm
- Item # 2 C. Farr led the Pledge of Allegiance
- Item # 3 Roll Call: M. Buzan (Z); C. Farr; R. Jacques; M.A. Moreno; M. Harper, District Counsel
Also: M. Krebs, PE, PACE; T. Stratton, Bond Counsel; L. Valdez (Z)
Public: H. Farester (Z), D. Sowders (Z)
- Item # 4 Regular Meeting Minutes of 11/21/22 were tabled at the request of President Jacques until they are cleaned up, with format issues addressed. Special Meeting Minutes of 12/07/2022 were approved by motion of M.A. Moreno, seconded by C. Farr.
- Item # 5 Financial Report – Gila County reports \$467,175.97 in the District Account at the end of November, 2022.
- Item # 6 Payment of Bills
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| The Stratton Law Firm | \$ 807.50 |
| Harper Law Office – Phases II & III | \$ 396.55 |
| Harper Law Office – Easement/RoW | \$6,272.70 |
| Harper Law Office – Project Rep | \$2,595.60 |
| Harper Law Office - General | \$2,525.44 |
| IBEW Bldg. Corp | \$ 150.00 |
| Robert B. Jacques | \$ 204.97 |
| AVIXOne Consulting | \$1,661.75 |
- Approved for payment by motion of M.A. Moreno, seconded by M. Buzan and carried 4-0
- Item # 7 Update on the submittal of two applications for Two Clean Water State Revolving Fund loans from the Water Infrastructure Finance Authority of Arizona (WIFA) for the Engineering/Design and, as appropriate, follow-on elements for Phases II/III of the TRSD project. L. Valdez reported on progress, paperwork is being assembled. The WIFA Board will meet on February 18, 2023. If approved, may close but could not fund until the District receives the Letter of Conditions from USDA-RD. USDA will complete the underwriting package and will submit it to the national office by end of January, 2023. Funding is then expected, hopefully, by the end of first quarter 2023.
- Item # 8 Response to a question raised during the Call to the Public at the 10/11/22 Board Meeting regarding the receipt of ‘septage’ by the TRSD Collection and Treatment System. This was addressed in November and is actually in the 208 Water Quality report, the District will not receive septage.
- Item # 9 Swearing in of the newly re-appointed TRSD Board Members: Duane Buzan, Malissa Buzan and Cameron Farr for terms beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2026. President R. Jacques read the Oath of Office which C. Farr and M. Buzan swore to, and both will have them signed and notarized. D. Buzan will be sworn in at a later date.

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- Item # 10 Summarization of the end of year status of the key elements of Phase I of the TRSD Project:
- Water Reclamation RFP – procurement of a treatment system, went to USDA. PACE will meet with USDA to review elements of the procurement process.
 - Treatment plant site – originally near Solitude, looking at a couple of other sites for Cultural artifacts, by end of January.
 - Collection System – 90% complete plus lift stations – force main is still pending.
 - Rights of Way and Easements are moving forward expeditiously. Package ready for the Railroad Easements.
 - Working with the mining companies and have some private property issues that D. Patton will be addressing
 - Residential connections – USDA suggests that TRSD (PACE) request the contractor provide a unit price per residential connection
 - Bidding the project – fewest contracts would be the best approach.
 - Letter of Conditions - elements that need to be resolved prior to bid:
 - Amended EA
 - Bid documents
 - Property Rights
 - Policies/Procedures
 - Insurance requirement for construction
 - Interim Loan / Project Account
 - System certification letter for USDA
 - Rate schedule/O & M costs, etc.
 - Construction permits/schedule
 - County permits
 - Emergency Response Plan
 - Vulnerability issue
 - From H. Farester – cost to the residents for treatment?
- Item # 11 Consideration of Resolution 22-002 providing for the creation of Rights of Way upon Public Property within the boundaries of TRSD pursuant to A.R.S. § 48-2012 – M. Harper noted several meetings had been held with the county, exploring methods to give the District the right to establish Rights of Way if the need exists for same- - M.A. Moreno moved to approve Resolution 22-002, seconded by C. Farr. Following input from the Board’s attorney, the motion was voted down 0-4
M.A. Moreno then moved that the Board determine if it is both necessary and convenient to establish the Rights of Way as described in Resolution 22-002 and that Resolution 22-002 be adopted, seconded by C. Farr and carried 4-0.
- Item # 12 Consider PACE Pay Request #14, dated 11/30/2022, to the USDA-RD. Pay Request #14 is in the amount of \$314,570.97 and is divided as follows: For payment by WIFA: (1) Pay Application #14, Project A128, in the amount of \$205,967.37 and (2) a portion of Pay Application #15, Project #B708, in the amount of \$91,604.60. For payment by USDA-RD, a portion of Pay Application #15 (a disbursement of Colonia Grant Funds), Project #B708, in the amount of \$16,604.60
Motion to approve was made by M.A. Moreno, seconded by M. Buzan and carried 4-0.

