

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE INDIAN HILLS WATER DISTRICT
JEFFERSON COUNTY, COLORADO**

For the Meeting Held February 15, 2024

The meeting was held in person at the Grace Hills Community Church and was attended by Directors Kepley, Cunningham, Ryplewski, Mosby, and Pesce and Manager Kristin Waters as well as several community members.

Meeting called to order 6:30 pm

Posting of Notice. The meeting agenda was posted in advance as required by law.

Meeting Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda was made and seconded. It was approved by a vote of 5 – 0.

Meeting Minutes: After review of the January 18, 2024 Regular Meeting minutes, a motion was made to approve the minutes, it was seconded and the minutes were approved 5 – 0.

Leak Summary: Due to a large leak in Zone 2, tank levels drained very quickly the night of 1/18/24 resulting in loss of pressure in Zone 2 on Friday 1/19/24. IHWD immediately notified CDPHE and the normal procedure of ordering a boil water order was activated. Water was brought into the District to provide water to customers and for leak detection. Because water could not be brought to Zone 3 from Zone 1, and due to issues with the Nitrate removal system, Zone 3 lost pressure on Saturday 1/20/2024. The District was able to restore pressure to Zone 3 by distributing higher nitrate water to provide for basic household necessities, with a nitrate consumption warning. Service to Zone 2 customers was sporadic during the leak search. IHWD received help from CRWA and other Districts and enlisted the help of excavators and leak detection personnel. After 10 days of systematic isolation and leak detection, the leak was found on a customer service line on Sunday 1/28/2024. After isolating that customer line, and restoring pressure to the system, main lines were flushed, and the water was tested for BACT and nitrate levels. Results showed water to be in compliance and the boil water order and nitrate warnings were lifted by Friday 2/2/2024.

Audience/Customer Comments or Concerns:

Community members spoke about several topics including:

- Several thanks to District employees and Directors for hard work during the leak.
- What are options to merge with another District?
- Will IHWD waive monthly fee for IHIA in return for posting sign?
- What are designated income buckets? Can an emergency fund be set up?
- Discussion about leak will continue including proactive measures to avoid.
- Thanks for social media posts.
- Grants available for infrastructure projects.
- How much does water hauling cost?

Administration/Financial Reports: Check report was reviewed with a motion made to approve checks 15390 – 15422 and EFT's. Report approved by a vote of 5 – 0. Cash Balance Status, Fund Class Report, Cash Flow Statement, and Accounts Receivable Aging/Customer Past Due reports were reviewed.

Legal/Information Updates: none

Operations Report:

A very large leak was found on Storage tank levels are gaining slowly/steadily – 1/3 full Nitrate levels are below the 10.0 MCL.

Director Cunningham has been meeting with Ops for daily updates. Zone 2 Booster pump with VFDs project completed. The gallery well was jetted to maximize production at Turkey Creek, increasing it from 10 to 25 gpm immediately. Zone 2 valves evaluated during leak to prioritize projects. Some very small leaks were repaired while searching for the large leak. Director Pesce is investigating nitrate system replacement options.

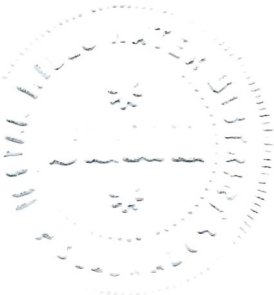
Board Items:

23778 Inca – Petition received from property owner to remove 23778 Inca from the District. After discussion a motion was made to deny the request. After the motion was seconded, the Board voted 5 – 0 not to grant the request.

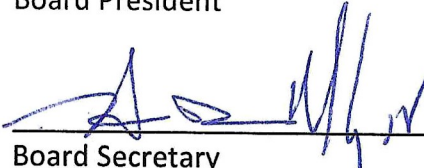
4745 Picutis – Request to connect accessory structure to the water tap was discussed. A permit to upgrade the septic has been approved by Jeffco but the new system has not been installed. A motion was made to deny the request which was seconded. The request was denied by a vote of 5 – 0.

Other Business – None

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was thereupon adjourned at 8:45 pm with a motion made and seconded, passing by a vote of 5 – 0.




Board President 3/18/24
Date


Board Secretary 3/21/24
Date