

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

For the Meeting Held March 16, 2023

The meeting was held in person and was attended by Directors Mosby, Levy, and Ryplewski, and Director Pesce attended by phone. Managers Chris Vargo and Kristin Waters were also present and three community members. Sam Kepley was absent and excused.

Meeting called to order 6:33 pm

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

Meeting Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda made and seconded. With no edits to the agenda, it was approved by a vote of 4 – 0.

Meeting Minutes: Motion made to approve the February 16, 2023 minutes was made, seconded and the minutes were approved 4 – 0.

Audience/Customer Comments or Concerns:

Mr. Cunningham commented that the recent shut-off on Supai Rd. went well.

Administration/Financial Reports: Check report was reviewed with a motion made to approve checks 15073 – 15099 and EFT's, voiding checks #15074 and 15090. Report approved by a vote of 4 – 0. Cash Balance Status, Fund Class Report, Cash Flow Statement, and Accounts Receivable Aging/Customer Past Due reports were reviewed.

Election: Two Self-Nomination and zero write-in candidate forms were received for two open Board seats. Because there were no more candidates than the positions to be filled, the election was cancelled, and notice was posted as required. Incumbent Tony Pesce and new Director Mike Cunningham will be deemed elected on May 2, 2023.

ColoTrust Reserve Funds: Plus and Edge account interest rates reviewed.

Legal/Information Updates:

none

Operations:

-All wells are online and production has increased in February at both Treatment plants. The storage tanks are at 68% of capacity.

-Nitrate levels are averaging 7.8 mg/l and the MIEX/nitrate removal system is operating.

-Leaks continue in Zones 1 and 3 after numerous leak detection and repair attempts. In-line leak detection mobilization and per day costs are extremely high. The District remains in Phase II Conservation

-Engineers are recommending a new ION Exchange system which would reduce nitrates to less than 2.0 mg/l.

-Working on permitting and reviewing options for Well #9 re-drilling location.

-PFAS maximum contaminant level recently changed by EPA. IHWD will need to pursue funding and treatment options as soon as possible.

Board Items:

Tap Buy-Back - 5161 Parmalee Gulch Rd. Customer merged lots and a second water tap is not needed. The property is unencumbered. A motion was made to approve the buy-back for the District's standard \$3,000.00 after legal review. The motion was seconded and passed by a vote of 4 – 0.

Tap Buy-Back Rate - The Board discussed the current buy-back rate which is independent from water tap fees. After discussion, the Board does not see a reason to change it.

Public Hearing – Online Payment Fees for payments made with ACH and Credit/Debit Card.

A motion was made to begin the Public Hearing at 7:38 pm citing C.R.S. 32-1-1001(1)(j) District has the power to fix, and from time-to-time increase or decrease fees, rates, charges etc..., seconded, and passed by a vote of 4 – 0

The District is not proceeding with the new utility billing software so Online Payment Fees will not change.

Payment Type:	Customer Fees:
ACH (checking) payments	No charge
Credit/Debit Card payments	2.9%

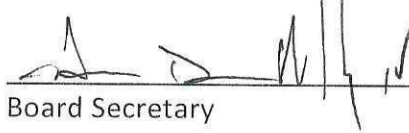
Brief summary regarding issues with new software was shared by office manager and recommendation that District stay with existing software for the near future. Have looked at other software options but costs are prohibitive.

A motion was made to end the Public Hearing at 7:42 pm, seconded, and approved 4 – 0.

A motion was made to approve the online payment fees charged by current utility billing software. The motion was seconded and approved by a vote of 4 - 0

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was thereupon adjourned at 7:44 pm with a motion made and seconded, passing by a vote of 4 – 0.

 4/20/23
Board President Date

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Board Secretary Date