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Regular Meeting February 23, 2022

Members Present: Jack Fallon, Bob Balding (attending online), Butch Clark, Bill Matthews, Dennis Falcon, T.J. Wendt, and General Manager, Cindy Murray

Members Absent: B.J. Lupton

Also, Present: Andy Hyde (Carver Engineering), Jeff Walla (IMEG), Kurt Playstead, David Green, and Jodie Binger (Jacobs Engineering), Rob Collier, Joe Musialowski, and Mark James

Members of the Public attending to comment on the Notice to of Intent to Consider Increases in Rates and Fees:

Leland "Wally" Walbruch Garry Toavs Alan Winegarner Diane Lewis Kales Gannon

Jack Fallon, President, called the meeting to order at 7:07 a.m. and welcomed the public and Staff in attendance. The meeting is a regular meeting of the Board and a Public Hearing on Resolution 2022-01, which addresses the Board's intent to consider increases in the District's water and sewer rates and fees.

Dennis Falcon moved to adopt the revised Agenda, which was seconded by Bill Matthews. The Board passed the motion by unanimous vote.

Bill Matthews moved to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2022, meeting as amended, which was seconded by T.J. Wendt. The Board approved the minutes as amended by unanimous vote.

Cindy Murray then presented the Manager's Report. Rob Collier, Mark James and Joe Musialowski presented updates on various projects. Butch Clark moved to accept the Manager's Report, which was seconded by Dennis Falcon. After discussion, the Board passed the motion by unanimous vote.

Mark James presented an update on the Capital Plan.

1 Regular Board Meeting February 23, 2021 The Board then proceeded to conduct a Public Hearing on the Notice of Intent to Increase Water and Sewer Rates and to Adopt Changes in Fees. Required notices to customer and property owners in the District were mailed and notice of the hearing was published as required twice prior to the hearing in the Daily Interlake and on the District's website.

Jack Fallon invited the public to provide comments on the proposed water and sewer rate and changes in fees. Three customers provided comments or asked questions in person. Jack Fallon read each comment that was emailed to the District.

The Board then considered Resolution 2022-02 Adopting Increases in Water and Sewer Rates and Changes in Fees. Butch Clark moved to approve Resolution 2022-02, which was seconded by Bill Matthews. After discussion, the Board approved Resolution 2022-02 by unanimous vote.

The Board then took a 10 minute break.

Cindy Murray recommended that the Board approve an Engineering Contract with IMEG for Lift Stations 19, 2, and 15 Planning and Design not to exceed \$500,000. The selection of IMEG in the RFQ process was approved by the Board on January 19, 2022. Butch Clark moved to approve the IMEG contract not to exceed \$500,000.00, which was seconded by Bob Balding. After discussion, the Board approved the motion by unanimous vote.

The Board then considered Resolution 2022-03 for Conditional Approval of Plans for Mackin Townhomes. Butch Clark moved to approve the resolution, which was seconded by Dennis Falcon. After discussion, the Board approved Resolution 2022-03 by unanimous vote.

Next, the Board considered the attached recommendations for renewals and changes to the Employee Health and Life Insurance benefits Bill Matthews moved to approve the recommendation, which was seconded by Butch Clark. After discussion, the Board approved the motion by unanimous vote. The Board tabled the discussion of EAP Coverage that was proposed by the General Manager.

Bob Balding informed the Board that he has approved the Oversight Reports for December and January. Bob also suggested that funds should be moved from the First Interstate Bank checking account to get a better interest rate on the money. Jack Fallon advised the Board he had approved moving funds from First Interstate Bank to Whitefish Credit Union for a period of several months even though the total deposits in the Account exceed the federally insured limits. Cindy Murray advised the Board that the current Investment Policy allowed such exceedances.

Bill Matthews moved to approve the checks and credit card charges and accept the financial statements for the month of January, which was seconded by Bob Balding. After discussion, the Board passed the motion by unanimous vote.

The meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 9:54 a.m. The next regular meeting will be on March 16th, 2022.

U Submitted by _______ Cynthia Murray, \$ecretary

Signed by_______ Jack Fallon, President

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