Board of Directors of the Trujillo Trail DWID, SCC Arizona Meeting Minutes, July 31, 2023 at 5:00 P.M. MTS Time via Zoom



- 1. Call to Order & Roll Call: Meeting called to order at 5:00 p.m. MST. Board Members J. Combo, D. Luckadoo and J. Jenkins were present. F. Cassidy, Debbie Cole, Karol Stubbs, Nancy Murphy, Nancy & Kelley Rivers, Gail Goggin, Matt Utecht, Peter Tarzian were also in attendance.
- 2. **Approval of Agenda**: J. Combo moved to approve agenda, seconded and unanimously approved.
- 3. **Approval of Minute:** A motion to approve the July 17, 2023 meeting minutes was made, seconded, and unanimously approved. A motion to approve the July 20, 2023 meeting minutes was made, seconded, and unanimously approved.
- 4. Chair, Board Members, and/or Treasurer and Clerk Reports. J. Combo reported on efforts to get a new key for the PO Box. J. Combo spoke to bond counsel this afternoon. Bond counsel had minor tweaks to the WIFA paperwork. J. Combo gave a brief account of the efforts to get a savings account at Chase for a government accounts. Chase also doesn't provide debit card to government entities but J. Combo is looking to get a credit card. There were no other reports.
- 5. **System Operator Report**: J. Jackson reporting that since hauling surcharge, TTDWID has hauled 12 loads on 7/19. He also took the new teenage meter readers through the neighborhood to read the meters. They'll be reading meters at the end of each month.
- 6. **Public hearing** on rates and fees. J. Jenkins summarized the three options on the table. TTDWID had adopted a proportional model earlier that only applied to tier 3 and 4 water users. TTDWID hauled \$600 worth of water on 7/19; the tier 3 and 4 users will pay for that if they used that much. If one of the three options are selected today, they will replace the existing proportional model. Equal approach would cause everyone to pay the same. Second is winter quarter average, using winter months as a baseline use; assumed to be mostly indoor use of water. Each customer would pay the delta between the WQA and actual. Third option is proportional, but applies it to all tiers; other fees and rates are the same. E. Stubbs sent out information to District members; feedback from 26 members indicates proportional approach got 84% support (22/26). The others each had two votes. Nancy Rivers asked if the entire system needs the water to be hauled, who pays? J. Jenkins responded that each method has a different formula. Under equal approach, everyone would pay the same. Under proportional method, the cost is divided based on the proportion of the water they use. Under WQA you'd have to figure out the delta with the WQA use. Only the cost of hauling when we must haul. Gail Goggin asked if the Board believes we won't need water hauling when the project is

complete? J. Jenkins: Yes, that's what we believe. It should give us more than enough water. Gail Goggin: We still need to conserve water. J. Combo: We'll have an update on the project. We ran a test on the well for about 48 hours before we bought the well; got 26 gallons/minute. J. Jenkins: Only reason we only get that little water is because of the small size of the pump. J. Combo: The well we purchased was a potential source of water for a potential subdivision that never was developed; they were getting 75 gallons/minute in their test with a much more powerful motor. Nancy Murphy spoke and said she and Bob Fick are in favor of the proportional approach. Thank you for taking this over. I'm super impressed by the work you've put in. Thank you. We look forward to moving us through this water crisis. Peter Tarzian said that J. Combo and E. Stubbs have handled it well commenting that he had had arguments via email with E. Stubbs. J. Combo: This is only when we haul, if we must haul. The other rates and fees will stay the same. Public hearing closed at 5:32 p.m.

- J. Combo: I didn't like only tier 3 and 4 paying; I didn't think that was totally fair. Depending on what gets hauled, everyone could end up paying. D. Luckadoo: This has been very contentious. In the past 2 months, we've hauled about 70,000 gallons. One of our members had two huge leaks, with probably 40,000 gallons lost. They were out of town. D. Luckadoo sent a couple items to M. Flanders for distribution. If we adopt new rates tonight, they'll take effect tomorrow and will replace the old ones. J. Combo: July 20 [actually July 17] adoption was with the assumption that we'd have this meeting after 10 days notice. D. Luckadoo: How are we going to decide when we're going to haul water? J. Jenkins: I'm tracking the water every day. The guy who hauls for \$50 per load only hauls on Wednesday and Thursday, so J. Jenkins checks on Tuesday. Tracks the trend, but is happy to do it some other way. When the combined capacity is below 50%, he hauls; but it's a judgment call. D. Luckadoo: What do we do if the water hauling is due to a water break or something? J. Jenkins: If there's a water break and all reservoir storage is lost, and water hauling is needed for everyone, all tiers will pay (the proportionate approach). Gail Goggin asked if the District has a reserve fund? J. Combo responded that the TTDWID does, but we don't have much funding available in it. D. Luckadoo: Do we have a leak forgiveness policy? J. Combo & J. Jenkins: No. J. Jenkins: Once we're tied into the new well, we might want to reconsider that. D. Luckadoo: E. Stubbs' correspondence showed overwhelming support for proportional. J. Jenkins: Moves to replace the current proportional method for tiers 3 and 4, and replace it with the proportional approach that covers all tiers. Only for the water hauling. J. Combo seconds. Unanimously approved.
- J. Combo said that he had already sent the TTDWID approved annual budget to the SCCBOS & Clerk, and let the Clerk know that we were having another rates and fees meeting. So J. Combo will send these approved rates and fees to the Clerk of the SCC BOS.
- 7. **Discussion and Possible Action** regarding Resolution 2023-01 concerning 23/24 budget. F. Cassidy explained that it simply memorializes the complicated process the TTDWID went through to approve it. A motion to approve signing the resolution was made, seconded and unanimously approved.

- **8. Discussion and Possible Action** regarding timing of the invitation to bidders, and response period, for the pipeline project. J. Jenkins explained the process -- publication, bidding, etc. Known contractors will directly receive project materials. Bid opening needs to be public and transparent. Selection will happen after the bids are analyzed. SEAGO is paid by WIFA.
- **9. Discussion and Possible Action** regarding desired WIFA Loan Amendment No. 1 closing date Won't know closing date on WIFA Loan until bond counsel lets us know.
- **10. Discussion and Possible Action** regarding obtaining insurance, both Director and Officer and general insurance for TTDWID. Tabled
- **11.** Call to the public. None.
- **12. Announcements**: Next meeting date: Hard to say right now. Depends on WIFA and SEAGO's needs. August sometime.
- 13. Executive Session None
- **14**. **Adjournment** at 6:04 p.m.