

HILMAR COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
September 3, 2024

Members Present – Jim Jones, Frank Hilliard, David Anderson, Jim Gerdes, and Tony Salvador

Members Absent – None.

Public in Attendance – Mr. John Williams and his attorney Mr. Wylie Cashman.

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Action Items

A motion to approve the Consent Items was made by Jim Gerdes and seconded by Tony Salvador.
Motion passed 5-0.

A motion to approve Bills Payable: September 2024 was made by Jim Gerdes and seconded by Frank Hilliard. Motion passed 5-0.

A motion to approve the continuation of the emergency order the Board approved at the July 31, 2023, Board meeting, based on the conditions continue as per Resolution 565, was made by David Anderson and seconded by Tony Salvador. Motion passed 5-0.

A motion to approve the extension of the Conditional Can and Will Serve Letter for Hector Ramos was made by Jim Gerdes and seconded by Frank Hilliard. Motion passed 5-0.

A motion to adopt Resolution 578: A Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Hilmar County Water District Identifying a Surplus Vehicle, Authorizing Its Liquidation was made by Tony Salvador and seconded by Jim Gerdes. Motion passed 5-0.

A motion to Consider Creation of Ad Hoc Project Committee was made by Jim Gerdes and seconded by David Anderson. Motion passed 5-0.

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The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by President Jim Jones.

Consent Items – A motion was made and seconded to approve the Consent Items.

Public Forum – Mr. John Williams spoke stating he was present at the meeting with his attorney Mr. Cashman to see how things are going with the new well project. He stated he has submitted the LAFCO Application and a set of plans to the District for the last phase of Villa Cordoba for 43 lots. Mr. Cashman stated that he was present to have the opportunity to meet the board and the District’s attorney Mr. Stuart Spencer with the hopes to get going with the development agreement. Curtis stated that he has had several conversations with Mr. Williams and Mr. Cashman. The District plans to have the construction of the new well #8 out to bid in late September or the beginning of October. He hopes to have board approval and a contract for the project ready in November. At that time, conversations as to what this will mean for Mr. Williams and other developers can take place.

District Manager's Report –

Curtis Jorritsma reported that the water loss for the month of August was 9.52%. Water consumption was 32.923 MG. He also reported the TSS average for August was 29.2mg/L and BOD was 30mg/L.

Curtis provided an update on the Nitrate exceedance. We continue to send notices with our monthly billing statements. We have not received correspondence from the Department of Drinking Water. The results have been trending in the right direction. Out of the last 27 tests we have only had 4 exceedances. Testing at the four corners within town have all been below the limit. He stated he's still planning to redevelop Well #7 sometime in the fall/winter when water usage goes down.

Director Reports – Mr. Jim Jones inquired about the water pressure issue on Dayton Avenue. Curtis stated he did have a conversation with one of the customers, who lives on Dayton Avenue, and he stated he continues to have issues. Cody has gone out to the residence and everything on HCWD's side meets the current standards.

Action Items –

- A) The bills that are due to be paid in September were presented. A motion was made and seconded to pay the bills presented.
- B) Curtis stated the Board approved Resolution 565 – Finding an Emergency and Authorizing Abbreviated Emergency Procedures for Construction of a New Well on July 31, 2023. As part of this process, the Board needs to analyze the situation and determine if the situation still constitutes an emergency. After a brief discussion, the Board determined the conditions warrant to continue with an emergency order. A motion was made and seconded to continue with the emergency order.
- C) The Conditional Can and Will Serve Letter for Hector Ramos was presented to the Board. Staff recommended approval of the extension of the Conditional Can and Will Serve Letter. A motion was made and seconded to extend the Conditional Can and Will Serve Letter.
- D) Resolution No. 578, a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Hilmar County Water District Identifying a Surplus Vehicle, Authorizing Its Liquidation was presented to the Board. The surplus vehicle is for the 2015 GMC Sierra pickup (Cody's old pickup). A motion was made and seconded to adopt resolution number 578.
- E) Curtis stated that Mr. Stuart Spencer, legal counsel, had a conversation regarding establishing an Ad Hoc committee for the property purchase agreement with Mr. Wickstrom. Two people would be appropriate for the committee. A motion was made that Mr. Frank Hilliard and Mr. Tony Salvador be on the committee. Both board members agreed to be on the Ad Hoc Project Committee. The motion was seconded to establish the Ad Hoc Project Committee.

Discussion Items –

- A) Dina informed the Board that they have a couple of options regarding the sexual harassment prevention training. The first option is a live webinar on October 1st and the second option is an

on-demand webinar that will need to be done by the end of December. The board would like to go with the second option. Dina will line up the training.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dina Borgs

Approved by:

Jim Jones

Board Member

10-1-24

Date