

# MINUTES OF MEETING BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOUNTAIN HILLS SANITARY DISTRICT

The Board of Directors of the Fountain Hills Sanitary District met in a **Special Meeting – Work/Study Session** on **Wednesday, November 29, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.** in the District's Board Room located at 16941 E. Pepperwood Circle, Fountain Hills, Arizona 85268.

## **Agenda Item No. 1** **Call to order and roll call**

*Upon roll call, the following Directors were present:*

Chairman Robert Thomson, Vice Chairman Tom Reski, Director Gregg Dudash, Director Jerry Butler, and Director Michael Maroon.

*The following Executive Staff members were present:*

Dana Trompke, District Manager, Bill Sullivan, Legal Counsel, Tori Myers, District CPA, Penny Cook, Assistant Secretary, Kirsten DeBie, Administrative Services Manager, and Cathy Eberhardt, Asst. Administrative Services Manager.

## **Agenda Item No. 2** **Call to Public**

There was no public comment.

## **Agenda Item No. 3** **Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding District communication strategies.**

Director Dudash presented the Board with a presentation of District facts and communication suggestions including the following:

- Adding items to the District website,
- Including mailers in the quarterly statements,
- Making statements to the Fountain Hills Times with District activities,
- Public speaking events,
- Meeting formally with the Mayoral candidates to establish a good relationship before the elected Mayor takes office,
- Educate the public on sodium added to the water from water softeners,
- Communicating District's cost effectiveness, showing residents they are getting value for the service they are receiving.

District Manager also presented the Board with possible communication and outreach strategies.

- District Manager is currently meeting with Town Manager, Town Engineer, and Town Public Works Director quarterly.
- District Board will attend a joint session(s) with Town Council. One session is tentatively being scheduled in February 2018,
- Update District website:
  - a. Provide education about District activities, functions, and rules,

- b. Post timely announcements,
- c. Review and update the treatment and collection system information focusing on the District being water recyclers that recycle 575 million gallons of water annually,
- d. Provide information about future ASR well Vault project,
- e. Expand the list of "Frequently Asked Questions".
- Provide a newsletter on the back of the quarterly mailings,
- Partner with local schools and home-school co-ops,
- Participate in local community events,
- Host an Open-House tour of the completed Solids Handling Project.

After a discussion, direction was given to staff to research and pursue the items discussed for future discussion and review by the Board.

#### **Agenda Item No. 4**

**The Chairman, the individual members of the Board and the District Manager will each be permitted to provide a brief summary of current events. The Board will not propose, discuss, deliberate or take legal action at the meeting on any matter addressed in the summaries, unless the specific item is otherwise properly noticed.**

Vice Chairman Reski suggested the Board meetings open with the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Agenda Item No. 5**

##### **Adjournment**

Director Dudash made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 p.m. Vice Chairman Reski seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

*Dated this 30<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2017.*

Fountain Hills Sanitary District

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