

**MINUTES OF A RESCHEDULED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE TWENTYNINE PALMS WATER DISTRICT  
72401 HATCH ROAD, TWENTYNINE PALMS, CA 92277**

**NOVEMBER 19, 2015**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS**

Call to Order and Roll Call

President Moore called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m., 72401 Hatch Road, Twentynine Palms, California. Those responding to roll call were Directors Chancey Chambers, Carol Giannini, Suzi Horn, Sam Moore, and Roger Shinaver. Also present were Fire Chief Jim Thompson, Financial Consultant Cindy Byerrum, and District Secretary Cindy Fowlkes.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

Based on recent information and communications between the District, LAFCO and the City, after the posting of the agenda, there is a need to update the Board and give direction to the Fire Ad Hoc Committee. Director Shinaver moved to add an item to the Agenda entitled Update and Direction to Fire Ad Hoc Committee Regarding LAFCO Action, seconded by Director Chambers and approved unanimously. The item will follow department reports.

Public Comments

None

1. Consent Calendar

- Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on October 28, 2015

Director Chambers moved to approve the Consent Calendar, seconded by Director Horn and approved unanimously.

2. Items Removed From the Consent Calendar for Discussion or Separate Action

None

3. Department Reports

3.1 Finance

Ms. Byerrum reported the property tax revenue hasn't been received yet, resulting in a bleak bottom line. To date, unrestricted water funds in the amount of \$151,000 has been transferred from cell tower revenue.

3.2 Fire Chief's Report

Chief Thompson reported the Department responded to 229 calls for assistance during October. The Department is getting ready to start annual school inspections next week.

4. Update and Direction to Fire Ad Hoc Committee Regarding LAFCO Action

Termination liability for the CALPERS safety plan is estimated at approximately \$2.9 million. The actuarial is based on a projected investment return and bond yield which fluctuates in accordance with the market.

There are two options for withdrawing from CALPERS.

1) The plan can be terminated and a calculation will be determined for a fixed cost to be paid in a lump sum or over a 10 year payment plan.

2) The plan can go inactive, with CALPERS determining a dollar amount that must be paid every year. This allows for the possibility that the bond yields go up and a good investment return draws down the liability at which point the plan is terminated at a much lower cost.

The City has proposed that they would assume a \$1.3 million liability with the District contributing \$50,000 yearly from cell tower revenue for a period of 10 years.

Frank Luckino, City Manager of Twentynine Palms, clarified that if the annexation failed to go to County, the Fire Department would return to the District with a decrease in Fire service. The City would not be responsible for providing fire protection as long as there is a fire district already in place.

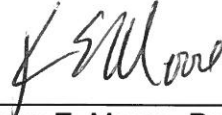
After discussion, the Board was in agreement to revisit the item at a special meeting on November 24<sup>th</sup>, at 4:00 pm.

5. Future Agenda Items and Staff Tasks/Directors' Comments and Reports

A special meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 24<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm.

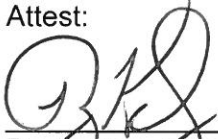
6. Adjournment

On motion by Director Chambers seconded by Horn and approved by the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m.



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Kerron E. Moore, President  
Board of Directors

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Ray Kolisz, Board Secretary  
Twentynine Palms Water District

APPROVED DEC 16 2015