

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
GRANT WATER & SANITATION DISTRICT  
SEPTEMBER 22, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Grant Water & Sanitation District was held on Wednesday, September 22 2021, at the hour of 9:00 a.m. at the Raccoon Creek Golf Course, 7301 West Bowles Avenue, Littleton, Colorado and via Zoom conferencing. Directors present were Mike Cowan, Bruce Guard, Sam Garza, Darren Bradshaw, and Eric Edwards. Also attending were Justin Meeks, Nicki Simonson, Rebecca Hill, Jennifer Bailey, and Patrick Carroll with DRC Construction Services. Mr. Cowan presided.

**1. Administrative Matters**

- a. Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest.** There were no changes to the board member disclosures.
- b. Open Forum.** The open forum was passed in the absence of any members of the public.
- c. Minutes.** The minutes of the regular meeting held on August 18, 2021 were approved upon motion by Mr. Garza and second by Mr. Guard.

**2. Engineering & Maintenance Matters**

**Engineering Report.** Mr. Meeks introduced Patrick Carroll with DRC Construction Services who conducted a slide presentation for the Board. Mr. Carroll gave an overview of the specific processes and specialized equipment that DRC uses to clean the underdrains and sanitary sewer lines within the District. He also shared some pieces of solidified

calcium that had been removed during the cleaning process and addressed any questions or concerns the Board had. The Board expressed a better understanding of the level of difficulty and patience it takes to remove the high levels of calcium in the underdrains. Mr. Carroll will submit a timeline for estimated project completion, per neighborhood, to be presented to the Board at the October meeting.

Mr. Meeks reported as follows:

**a. Underdrain Remediation.** DRC has continued to work on the underdrain remediation, and it remains their focus.

**b. Underdrain Sampling.** Justin explained that during the regular underdrain coliform sampling, a few samples came back with high concentration levels of E. Coli. These results could indicate coliform contamination within the underdrain system. Justin explained that one of the samples taken from behind Home Depot last year, as well as this year, showed high levels which is concerning. Additional testing has been done on the two locations that previously observed elevated concentrations, one location has now reduced to background levels, but Home Depot continues to be a concern. Further testing will be done weekly until the levels have reduce to background levels as well.

**c. Annual Maintenance.** DRC also continues to work on the annual maintenance and intends to have it completed by year end. Samples of contaminants are routinely being collected and tested for e-coli and are showing improvement with a downward trend.

**d. 2021 Capital Improvement Projects (CIP).** A pre-construction meeting has been scheduled with JBS Pipeline Contractors for Thursday, September 23, 2021 at the District Manager's office. Mr. Meeks presented Change Order No. 1, submitted by JBS, which was approved upon motion by Mr. Bradshaw and second by Mr. Garza.

**e. District Easements Coordination.** A joint easement committee meeting has been scheduled for October 12, 2021. Several homeowners have reached out in response to the letter sent by the District's legal counsel to homeowners whose property is burdened by a district easement, to advise them that the District will be addressing easement violations within in the next several months. A meeting will be scheduled in early October, between the District Manager, District Engineer and two Board members to walk the affected properties to document any easement violations.

**f. Sump Pumps.** The District Manager and Martin/Martin are still coordinating with several homeowners with sump pumps that do not appear to meet the District Rules and Regulations. Martin/Martin has uploaded existing underdrain variance agreements into the District GIS and communication is ongoing with affected homeowners to begin the process of executing variance agreements where necessary. Ms. Simonson suggested preparing a letter for Board approval to the effect that the District will be conducting free inspections to homeowners to verify the existence of sump pumps on their property. She suggested offering a reprieve from any violation fine until 6 months after the February 2022 invoice goes out. This information could be added to the annual newsletter and website. Ms. Simonson will draft a letter for review at the October Board meeting.

**g. 2020 Capital Improvements Projects (CIP).**

**i. Service Line Break.** Brannan is coordinating repairs to the service line which was found to be damaged in the portion that was replaced as part of the 2020 capital improvements project. Brannan is continuing their research to see if there is a solution to this issue that will not require excavation.

**3. Financial Matters**

**a. Disbursements.** The August 19, 2021 through September 22, 2021 check register was approved upon motion by Mr. Garza and second by Mr. Bradshaw.

**b. Financial Statements.** Mr. Garza moved to approve the August 31, 2021 unaudited financials and they were approved upon second by Mr. Bradshaw.

**c. Investment Report.** There were no new updates on the investment report.

**4. Other Business**

**a.** Mr. Cowan shared with the Board that the TAC has prepared a letter to Denver Water to address the 4% water revenue increase.

**5. Adjournment.** There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned by Mr. Cowan at 10.51 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Bruce Guard, Secretary