## Mayer water Improvement District **Minutes of Regular Meeting** September 26, 2019

- 1. Call to Order 6pm
- 11. Roll Call of Members Chair Joe Mish - Present, Clerk Kathy King - Present, Member Dennis Chamber - Present, Member Jacque Burruss - Present, Member Kevin Jones - Absent,
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Comments from the Public -No Comments
- ٧. Approval of Meeting minutes August 22, 2019 Clerk King motions to approve meeting minutes from August 22nd, 2019, Member Chambers 2nds, Vote Chairman Mish - Aye, Clerk King - Aye, Member Chambers-Aye, Member Burruss-Aye - PASSED
- Approve financials from July 2019 Member Chambers motions to approve financials July VI. 2019, Clerk King 2nds, Vote Chairman Mish - Aye, Clerk King - Aye, Member Chambers-Aye, Member Burruss - Aye - PASSED
- VII. Manager's report By Frank Soto
  - 1. 6 blue stakes as of September 26, 2019
  - 2. Oakhills Well rehab still needs more work. Install pump and plumbing. We need a clean bac-t sample, electrical inspection. We have straightened up the power pole and set an anchor. Replaced the meter panel due to rusted out bottom. County now requires two grounding rods at 6 feet apart. Called for inspection.
  - 3. Update on agreement with Forest Service and Permittee Tom Lowe. There needs to be some changes for Mr. Lowe and also the Forest Service. I did hear from Mr. Lowe on Tuesday September 24. Mr. Lowe wanted to know if everything had been agreed to on the Terrell #2 well with him, Forest Service and the District. I shared with Mr. Lowe that the District had issues with having to "guarantee" water from the well. I also shared that the Terrell #2 had recently been pumping air and had to be turned off for a week to recover. It was now pumping about 6 gallons. Mr. Lowe is going to talk to Forest Service to move this agreement forward.
  - 4. Water line loop on Poland Jct. East Road is complete. Total of 8 valves installed in Poland Jct.
  - 5. Had to relocate meter for property at the end of Cholla. Traffic keeps running over and breaking meter box.
  - 6. Bill Preston has resigned from Mayer DWID effective September 20, 2019.
  - 7. Damage to windshield on Dodge truck has not been replaced since it does not interfere with visibility and we do not have glass coverage.
  - 8. Still working on understanding the piping in the Poland Jct. well yard.
  - 9. We continue to replac meters.
  - 10. Several high water bills this month due to various reasons.
  - 11. Update on Grapevine water line relocation. Met in the field with Mike Rice who has knowledge of BLM easements and requirements for such a project. We walked most of the area to be relocated to. Mr. Rice is going to do some checking on existing easements and environmental Jarrell HMIII studies and get back to us.

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Chair King motions to approve managers' report, Member Burruss 2nds, Vote Chairman Mish - Aye, Clerk King - Aye, Member Chambers-Aye, Member Burruss - Aye **PASSED** 

## VIII. Office report By Mardi Befort

- 1. 8 shut off's, 6 were turned off, 1 is still Turned off and locked
- 2. 1 House sold transferred ownership.
- 3. 2 Disenfranchised meters turned on and collected disenfranchised fees
- 4. Henry Hurrass donated a credenza and wood file cabinet to the district for the office to use.
- 5. The office internet and phone through CableOne/Sparklight was down for 3 days this month. We were unable to make or take calls unless I used my personal cell phone until CableOne/Sparlight forwarded our office phone to the on-call cell phone. I was unable to process deposits for 2 days.
- 6. Regarding our On-call cell phone through Verizon, Lana and I met with Verizon and we are officially on a Government plan. This allows us to get access to the government pricing on our cell phone and the cell phone bill will go down now about \$5.00 a month and we will now have hotspot. They also gave us information regarding using them for our office phone and internet and how we can save money by switching to Verizon instead of CableOne/Sparklight, The pricing they quoted us is exclusive to the government pricing we now have access to. We also discussed the risk of possible outages with Verizon like we just had with CableOne/Sparklight.
- 7. Worked with Frank regarding BLM land, and did some research on the BLM website locating right of ways we currently have."
- 8. Working with our insurance company regarding our insurance policy and how the coverage is spread out on our different properties. Making sure we have adequate coverage for each and every individual property we own.
- 9. Last month in order to prevent their water from being turned off a customer gave a check to one of our field operators when they arrived to turn off their water for nonpayment, this check ended being returned insufficient funds and cost us \$25.00. Ultimately the customer paid their bill with a Debit Card a few weeks later. We are no longer allowing field operators to take payments out in the field at the time of shut offs. They either need to come down to the office and pay on their account or can all in with a debit/credit card. We need to stop this practice. Especially when it seems to be the same customers who abuse our kindness. The one thing everyone told me at the Conference last month is that I need to take my heart out of the equation, we are providing a service and they need to pay for that service.

Clerk King motions to approve office report, Member Chambers 2nds, Vote Chairman Mish - Aye, Clerk King - Aye, Member Chambers-Aye, Member Burruss - Aye PASSED

## IX. Discussion/Review/Action

- a. Approve raise for employees Clerk King motions to approve \$.50 raise for employees, Member Chambers 2nds, Vote Chairman Mish - Aye, Clerk King - Aye, Member Chambers-Aye, Member Burruss - Aye PASSED
- b. Approve entry into Mayer Daze Parade on October 5<sup>th</sup> Clerk King motions to approve entry into Mayer Daze Parade on October 5th, Member Chambers 2nds, Vote Chairman Mish - Aye, Clerk King - Aye, Member Chambers-Aye, Member Burruss - Aye PASSED Jample Adyunh

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- c. Approve 2" meter for Joe Ficara for fire protection purposes only Clerk King motions to not approve a 2" meter for Joe Ficara for fire protection purposes, Member Chambers 2nds, Clerk King amends her motion to approve 2" meter for Joe Ficara for fire protection purposes, Member Chambers 2nds, Vote Chairman Mish Nay, Clerk King Nay, Member Chambers-Nay, Member Burruss Nay FAILED
- d. Approve purchase of 2 chlorine pumps with accessories. Approx. \$2000.00 Clerk King motions to approve purchase of 2 chlorine pumps with accessories, Approx. \$2000, Member Chambers 2nds, Vote Chairman Mish Aye, Clerk King Aye, Member Chambers-Aye, Member Burruss Aye PASSED
- e. Approve changing office phone lines to Verizon instead of Cable One Member Chambers motions to approve changing to Verizon instead of Cable One, Member Burruss 2nds, Vote Chairman Mish Aye, Clerk King Aye, Member Chambers-Aye, Member Burruss Aye PASSED
- f. Approval to retain outside counsel to resolve easement issues at 10745 S. HWY 69. (Lucas Well Property) Clerk King motions to approve retaining outside counsel to resolve easement issues at 10745 S, HWY 69 (Lucas Well Property), Member Chambers 2nds, Vote Chairman Mish Aye, Clerk King Aye, Member Chambers-Aye, Member Burruss Aye PASSED
- X. Adjournment 6:35pm

