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**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
July 26, 2001**

- 1.) *Chairman of the Board Mike Schuhmacher called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.*
- 2.) *Chairman of the Board Mike Schuhmacher called the roll and all Board Members were present.*
- 3.) *Dick Diffenderfer made a motion to approve the Agreement for Technical Assistance between Mayer Domestic Water Improvement District and WIFA, Duane Hines seconded, the Board voted, motion carried.*
- 4.) *The Manager introduced Tim Edwards of Arizona Small Utilities Association. Mr. Edwards outlined the services that would be provided under a Management Contract with ASUA. He also outlined the advantages to the Full-time employees if they were to work for ASUA under this contract as well as the benefit to the District such as being responsible for replacing these employee's if they should leave for any reason.*

Dick Diffenderfer asked how many systems they were managing at this time. Tim Edwards told the Board that they are negotiating with other system and ASUA is a teaching program that is adding this service since it seems to be needed.

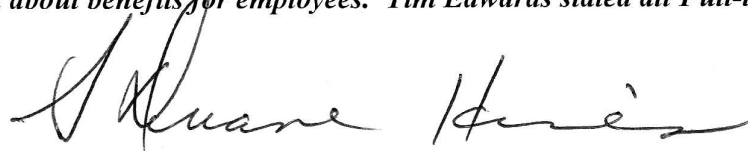
Mike King stated people of the town would question if they still had control. Tim Edwards stated the Board would still be in control of making policies and decisions. He stated the day to day responsibilities are what ASUA will take care of. He also told the Board that Frank Soto will still be Manager but if something would happen ASUA would make another Manager available.

Walt Diskin stated he feels we need a working manager and the three employees that are in place are doing a good job like it is.

Mike Schuhmacher stated that the District would have a 90 day clause where the District or ASUA could pull out of the contract if it wasn't working.

Dick Diffenderfer asked if there would be newsletters sent out. Tim Edwards stated there would be people available to draw from if the staff needed help in this area.

Mike King asked about benefits for employees. Tim Edwards stated all Full-time

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employees would receive benefits but part-time (less than 32 hours per week) employees would not. Mike King stated he would like to wait until all employees could be at the meeting so the Board could talk to them.

Duane Hines stated that this would take care of the main problem the District has, which is depending on one person to take care of everything. ASUA would make sure the District always had a Manager and staff.

Mike King asked about the term of the contract. Tim Edwards stated ASUA would prefer a 3 or 5 year contract with a 60 to 90 day clause of notice of termination.

Mike King stated he felt there should be a public meeting or notice of some kind sent to the people of the District. Walt Diskin agreed. Frank Soto stated the Agenda was posted concerning the management contract and no one came to the meeting. He also stated that the Board was voted in by the public to make these decisions.

Dick Diffenderfer made a motion to approve the Management Contract with ASUA for a 3 year period with a 90 day notification of termination, Duane Hines seconded, the Board voted, the motion carried 3 in favor, Walt Diskin and Mike King against.

5.) **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no comments.

6.) **ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman of the Board Mike Schuhmacher adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.