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STALLION SPRINGS COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

**MINUTES**

FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2022 @ 6:00 PM

1) Flag Salute: Director Wellman

2) Call to Order: Director Wellman

3) Roll Call: Present: Directors Leslie, Record, Wellman, Dewell

Absent: Chair Sasnett

Note: De, We, Re, Le and Sa are abbreviations for Directors Dewell, Wellman, Record, Leslie and Sasnett respectively. For example: De; We denotes Director Dewell made the motion and Director Wellman seconded it. Each item relates to the agenda item by the same number. Immediately following each item of these minutes is a description, printed in capital letters of the action taken on that item by the Board of Directors.

4) RESERVED FOR PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS AND ADDENDUM. None.

5) PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS. Mike Fox at 18580 St. Andrews Drive spoke to the Board requesting a discussion for the next board meeting regarding the rise in population in Stallion Springs with all the new building going on and how that would affect the water supply situation. The General Manager recommended that Mr. Neisler, the water master, attend so as not to be misquoted and they can have accurate information.

6) BOARD MEMBER ITEMS. Director Leslie requested direction on pursuing a hunting ordinance to control shooting in the District. The General Manager stated that she is currently looking into that with the Chief of Police as to what they can do. Director Leslie also asked about the Graffiti at the archeological site. Chief Crowell mentioned that the local tribe would be willing with clean up and install some signage and that communication with them is ongoing. Director Leslie suggested taking care of the clean up with District staff and the Manager noted the request.

7) POLICE REPORT. Chief Crowell updated the Board with statistics of the past month. Director Wellman- “Police Report RECEIVED AND FILED.”

8) DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION IN REGARDS TO THE NEW PROPOSED AGREEMENT FROM THE FARMWORKERS INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT (FIELD) FOR THE COLLECTION OF MIXED RECYCLABLES. The General Manager noted that in November 2020 the District began a contract with FIELD for collecting recyclables that was funded by a grant. They assured the District that there would be no cost for the service, which meant no increase in trash rates to residents. Now FIELD is proposing a new agreement due to an increase in their own costs in processing the recyclables and that would result in a charge of $3000 per month to the District beginning February 1st for collection of items two days a week. The Manager felt that this agreement would cost the District too much, especially since recycling is not currently being mandated. Recycling is still encouraged but not at such a high cost of the residents. The Manager noted she is looking into other options for the future, and is awaiting other estimates for the service. There was a discussion by the Board and it was agreed not to approve the proposed agreement and to table the item for next month for further bids. Re-“I move that we do not approve the new contract for FIELD.” De;We. We-“I move that we table this agenda item until next month until we receive incoming bids.” We;De. Roll call, all ayes.

9) PRESENTATION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021 AUDIT PRESENTED BY PAUL KAYMARK WITH NIGRO & NIGRO. Paul Kaymark presented the Fiscal year audit for 2020/2021.

10) APPROVAL OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021 AUDIT. Director Wellman –“I make a motion to approve the Fiscal year 2020/2021 audit as presented by Paul Kaymark with Nigro & Nigro.” We;Le. Roll call, all ayes.

11) APPROVAL TO INCREASE TIERED WATER USAGE RATES EFFECTIVE APRIL 2022 BILLING AS PER RESOLUTION NO. 2022-01. The General Manager noted that this rate increase is under the Prop 2018 study that was done in 2017. She explained that this increase would offset the lower usage of residents due to the current drought situation and conservation if drought restrictions by the state were to be put into place in the future. Director Leslie felt that having sufficient funding for water is important for the community and that the increase is necessary for the future of infrastructure. Questions from those present were answered by the Manager and the Board. Re-“I make a motion that we approve the Resolution 2022-01, a resolution by the Board of Directors to approve the increase to tiered water usage rates effective April 2022 billing.” Re;De. Roll call, all ayes.

12) APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 16, 2021 REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES. It was noted there was no December Board Meeting. We-“I make a motion that we approve the November 16, 2021 Regular Board Meeting minutes, with the addition of a comment by Mr. Burt regarding concerns of hunting in the community in the comment section.” We;Re. Roll call, all ayes.

13) APPROVAL OF CHECKS FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2021 AND THE CALPERS RETIREMENT PAYMENTS. We-“I make a motion that we approve the checks for November and December 2021 and the CalPERS retirement payments.” We;Le. Roll call, all ayes.

14) FINANCIAL REPORTS. We- “Financial report RECEIVED AND FILED.”

15) GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT. The General Manager reviewed her report with the Board and spoke about the plans to improve the current parks in the community. There was a comment about dirt and erosion control for some properties in Stallion that are affecting the roads and the Manager noted that she would like to know about any other problems that anyone sees with that. We-“Managers Report RECEIVED AND FILED.”

Signed: Attest:

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