MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE **IDLEDALE WATER & SANITATION DISTRICT** HELD **NOVEMBER 27, 2023**

A Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Idledale Water & Sanitation District (referred to hereafter as "Board") was held on Monday, the 27th day of November 2023, at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was held at Idledale Community Church, 21429 Highway 74, Idledale, CO 80453 and was open to the public.

Directors In Attendance Were: <u>ATTENDANCE</u>

Hugh Gardner Andv Colwell Peter Weber

Also In Attendance Were:

AJ Beckman and Justin Janca Public Alliance LLC, District Manager Mike Richardson, Front Range Water System Operations (via telephone) Bob Orsatti, Anchor OEA Dale Watne, Wes Charles, Norman Treinen, and Stacey Potter, Residents John Murtaugh; Resident (via Zoom)

ADMINISTRATIVE Disclosures of Potential Conflicts of Interest: Mr. Beckman advised the Board that, pursuant to Colorado law, certain disclosures might be required prior to taking official action at the meeting. The Board reviewed the Agenda for the meeting, following which Directors Gardner, Colwell and Weber confirmed that they have no conflicts of interest in connection with any of the matters listed on the Agenda and the meeting was called to order at 6:354 p.m.

> **Agenda:** Mr. Beckman distributed for the Board's review and approval a proposed Agenda for the District's Special Meeting.

> Following discussion, upon motion duly made by Director Gardner, seconded by Director Weber and upon vote, unanimously carried, the Agenda was approved as presented.

> Mr. Richard Pintor Sr.: The Board entered into discussion regarding Mr. Pintor's years of dedication and service to the District. It was noted the Board will meet with Mr. Pintor on December 17, 2023. To honor his decades of services and dedication to the District, and to present a check in the amount of \$5,000.

Following discussion, upon motion duly made by Director Gardner, seconded by Director Colwell and, upon vote, unanimously carried, the Board approved the plan to recognized Mr. Pintor for his years of dedication and service to the District and to present him with a check in the amount of \$5,000.

<u>Minutes</u>: The Board reviewed the Minutes of the August 14, 2023 Regular Board Meeting and September 7, 2023 Special Meeting.

Following discussion, upon motion duly made by Director Weber, seconded by Director Gardner and, upon vote, unanimously carried, the Minutes of the August 14, 2023 Regular Board Meeting and September 7, 2023 Special Meeting were approved, as presented.

Resolution No. 2023-11-01 Annual Administrative Resolution: The Board reviewed Resolution No. 2023-11-01 Annual Administrative Resolution.

Following discussion, upon motion duly made by Director Colwell, seconded by Director Gardner and, upon vote, unanimously carried, the Board adopted Resolution No. 2023-11-01 Annual Administrative Resolution. The Board directed Public Alliance LLC to post the 2024 meeting schedule on the District's website.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Potter asked if there is a plan for a café to occupy the commercial property and expressed concern regarding potential water demand. Members of the Board noted that the commercial property pays taxes to the District at a much higher rate than residential users. Any occupant of the property would be subject to the District's Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Murtaugh asked about future expense to residents and if once the planned improvements are completed. Mr. Beckman explained that the improvements are necessary to ensure future sustainability of the District's water supply. Director Gardner further explained that the District has explored all viable alternatives including connecting to Genesse Water and Sanitation District have been considered. The Board is of the opinion that pursuing grants and loans through various state and federal agencies is the least expensive option.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

Accounts Payable: Mr. Beckman reviewed the payables with the Board.

Following discussion, upon motion duly made by Director Colwell, seconded by Director Weber and, upon vote, unanimously carried, the Board ratified the payment of payables for September 2023, in the amount of \$10,509.96 and October 2023, in the amount of \$35,321.45.

Following discussion, upon motion duly made by Director Colwell, seconded by Director Gardner and, upon vote, unanimously carried, the Board approved the payment of payables for November 2023, in the amount of \$122,165.90.

<u>Schedule of Cash Position</u>: Mr. Beckman reported that due to the current transition in accounting services, the report is not available.

2022 Audit: Mr. Beckman presented the 2022 Audit to the Board.

Following discussion, upon motion duly made by Director Colwell, seconded by Director Gardner and, upon vote, unanimously carried, the Board ratified approval of the 2022 Audited Financial Statements and ratified authorization of execution of the Representations Letter.

2024 Budget Hearing: Director Gardner opened the public hearing. Mr. Beckman informed the Board that proper notice and publication in a paper having general circulation within the District were completed for the public hearing. With no comment from members of the public, the public hearing was closed. Mr. Beckman reviewed the proposed budget with the Board.

Mr. Beckman reviewed the proposed mill levies, noting the general fund mill levy of 53.000 mills, and the debt service fund mill levy of 19.100 mills for a total of 72.100 mills. Upon motion duly made by Director Gardner, seconded by Director Colwell and upon vote, unanimously carried, the Board approved Resolution 2023-11-02 to Adopt the 2024 Budget, Impose A Mill Levy of 72.100 mills, and Appropriate Funds according to the budget, as presented.

<u>2023 Audit</u>: The Board entered into discussion regarding the requirement to conduct an Audit.

Following discussion, upon motion duly made by Director Weber, seconded by Director Gardner and upon vote, unanimously carried, the Board approved the engagement of Simmons & Wheeler, P.C. to perform the 2023 Audit for an amount not to exceed \$5,665.

OPERATIONS MATTER

<u>Water Operator Services</u>: Mr. Richardson reviewed the Report by Front Range Water System Operations with the Board, copies of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

<u>Engineer's Report</u>: Mr. Orsatti reported to the Board he expects to have the United States Department of Agriculture ("USDA") report and assessment documents completed in the next couple of weeks.

Mr. Orsatti then discussed the prospect of running a new water line within an abandoned line. He discussed the work necessary to expose and inspect an abandoned water line.

Following discussion, upon a motion duly made by Director Colwell, seconded by Director Gardner and, upon vote unanimously carried, the Board authorized Mr. Beckman to proceed with the excavation work around the waterline, in the amount of \$11,875.

Mr. Orsatti further reported to the Board that the site for a test well, will be next to the green maintenance shed, located on District property.

Following discussion, upon a motion duly made by Director Colwell, seconded by Director Gardner and, upon vote unanimously carried, the Board directed staff to proceed with the work necessary to drill the test well as discussed.

Funding for Construction Project: Mr. Janca reported that Public Alliance is pursuing Federal funding of over \$900,000 as well as grant funding through the Energy and Mineral Impact Assistance Fund and financing through the State Revolving Fund.

LEGAL MATTERS November Election: Mr. Beckman reported that the District's ballot questions passed. The ballot question enable the District to collect grant revenues that would exceed the District's annual revenue limit, and enable to the District to incur additional debt up to \$750,000 to fund capital improvements.

OTHER BUSINESS 2024 Fee Increase and Renewal of District Management Services with Public Alliance, LLC: Mr. Beckman reviewed with the Board the 2024 Fee Increase.

> Following discussion, upon a motion duly made by Director Gardner, seconded by Director Weber and, upon vote unanimously carried, the Board approved the 2024 Fee Increase and renewal of District Management Services with Public Alliance, LLC.

AJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, upon motion duly made by Director Colwell, seconded by Director Gardner and, upon vote, unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted.