

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MOHAVE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY
JUNE 11, 2019**

The Board of Directors of the Mohave County Water Authority held a duly noticed meeting on Tuesday, June 11, 2019. The meeting was held at the Red Robin, 70 Swanson Ave., Lake Havasu City, AZ. Public notice of the meeting was given by a posting of a notice thereof pursuant to Arizona law, a copy of which notice is attached as "Exhibit A" to these minutes.

- I. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 11:41 a.m. by Chairman Mark Clark. In attendance were the following members: Mark Clark, City of Bullhead City; Doyle Wilson, Lake Havasu City; Jen Miles, City of Kingman; Chip Sherrill, Mohave Valley Irrigation & Drainage District, and Mike Hendrix, Mohave County Board of Supervisors. Others present included, Cal Sheehy, Kelly Garry, Lake Havasu City; Amy Levy, ADWR; Tina Moline, Rob Owen, Melissa Ellico and Nancy Sipe, City of Kingman; Jamie Kelley, General Counsel and Kelley Crenshaw.

A majority of the members of the Board of Directors was in attendance, thereby constituting a quorum for the transaction of business.

- II. Approval of Minutes. The minutes of the March 12, 2019 meeting were presented. **A motion was made by Chip Sherrill to approve the minutes of the March 12, 2019 meeting, seconded by Jenn Miles and approved unanimously by the members present.**
- III. Agenda Modifications. No action was taken.
- IV. Approval of Expenses. Tina Moline from City of Kingman presented the expenses for February 2019 through April 2019. Chip Sherrill questioned the lobbyist and attorneys fees. **A motion was made by Chip Sherrill to approve the expenses as presented, seconded by Doyle Wilson, and approved unanimously by the members present.**
- V. Review and Acceptance of Financial Reports. Tina Moline from City of Kingman presented the financial reports and provided a brief breakdown of the various accounts contained therein. The lobbyist and attorneys fees were discussed as well as the need to review revenue sources. **A motion was made by Chip Sherrill to accept the financial reports as presented. The Motion was seconded by Doyle Wilson. The Motion was approved unanimously by the members present.**

VI. Discussion and Possible Action.

- A. Coordinate Opposition to Queen Creek Transfer. Jamie Kelley inquired if the Authority would like to coordinate with La Paz to share attorney's fees to oppose the Queen Creek Transfer. Jamie advised the members of a range for attorneys fees. **A Motion was made by Doyle Wilson to coordinate the opposition of the Queen Creek Cibola Water Transfer with La Paz and share legal counsel if possible. Jenn Miles seconded the Motion. The Motion was approved unanimously by the members present.**
- B. Establish a Litigation Committee. Jamie Kelley requested the board establish a litigation committee to provide guidance throughout the Queen Creek transfer process as decisions on water often need to be made quick and would be easiest to consult with two members. Discussion was had on which entities should be represented on the advisory committee. A consensus developed the cities should be represented because the irrigation district does not oppose transfers. **A Motion was made by Jenn Miles to establish the litigation committee with Mark Clark (BHC) and Cal Sheehy (LHC) as the committee members. Doyle Wilson seconded the Motion. The Motion was approved unanimously by the members present.**
- C. Renew Contract with general counsel at same rate. The Chairman informed the members the contract for general counsel, Jamie Kelley, was up for renewal and if approved would be at the same rate as last year. **A Motion was made by Chip Sherrill to renew the contract with general counsel at the same rate as last year. Doyle Wilson seconded the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously by the members present.**
- D. Employ Audit Firm. The Authority has used Hinton Burdick in the past. At the March meeting a possible change to use the same firm as Kingman was considered. The members requested more information regarding the experience of Henry-Horne, Kingman's new audit firm. Tina Moline presented the board with information regarding the experience of Henry-Horne. **A Motion was made by Chip Sherrill to retain Hinton Burdick as the audit firm. Jenn Miles seconded the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously by the members present.**


- VII. Election of Officers. The Chairman advised it was time to elect officers for the upcoming year.
- A. Chairperson. Jenn Miles nominated Mark Clark for the position of Chairman. There were no other nominations. **A Motion to elect Mark Clark as Chairperson was made by Jenn Miles. Chip Sherrill seconded the Motion. The Motion was approved unanimously by the members present.**
- B. Vice-Chairperson. Doyle Wilson informed the members he would be retiring and this would be his last meeting and nominated Cal Sheehy as the Vice-Chairman. **Jenn Miles made a Motion to elect Cal Sheehy as the Vice-Chairman. Doyle Wilson seconded the Motion. The Motion was approved unanimously by the members present.**
- C. Treasurer. Mark Clark informed the members that the representative from Kingman was generally the Treasurer as logistically it makes things easier. **A Motion was made by Doyle Wilson/Cal Sheehy to elect Jenn Miles as the Treasurer. Chip Sherrill seconded the Motion. The Motion approved unanimously by the members present.**

VIII. Updates and Discussion

- A. Website Update. Jamie Kelley reported the new website was still in the process of being updated. Information provided to the website designer was provided to the members.
- B. Legislative Update. Jamie Kelley advised Regina Cobb's Water Bill establishing a County Advisory Stakeholder bill passed as did the Pinal Ag mitigation funding to develop infrastructure.
- C. MSCP. Doyle Wilson reported the project has been a success. More lands have been successfully reclaimed for habitat than was originally planned.
- D. Recovery/CAWCD. No report.
- E. Arizona Water Bank Report. Mark Clark reported the Water Bank had executed its agreements to implement DCP which included USF to GSF transfers. Mark also advised the 2018 Annual Report would be approved at the next meeting.

- F. Lake Mead and Lake Powell Levels. Mark reported the levels at Lake Mead and Lake Powell have again improved.
- G. DCP.
- H. Governor's Water Augmentation, Innovation and Conservation Council. No report as the committee only held it first meeting.
- I. ADWR Update and Discussion.
1. DCP Update. Agreements are nearly all signed.
 2. Other Updates. Assignments of on-river water entitlements have been reviewed by DWR. One assignment has been approved as it is essentially a name change. The other assignment is still being reviewed.
- IX. Call to the Public. There was no public in attendance. Doyle Wilson spoke about the honor of serving 14-1/2 years as Lake Havasu City's representative on the Authority which provides important, meaningful representation to its members.
- X. Next regular meeting of the MCWA will be Tuesday, September 10, 2019 in Bullhead City. There were no items suggested for that meeting.
- XI. Possible action to convene in Executive Session of the Board pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431-03.A.3 to obtain legal advice from the Authority's attorney on any matter listed on the agenda. There was no executive session.
- XII. Reconvene in Open Session. There was no executive session.
- XIII. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:51 p.m.

Dated: 10/11/2019


Secretary-Treasurer
MOHAVE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY