

**MINUTES
MOAPA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
HELD
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2018**

PRESENT:

Kenneth Staton	Lindsey Dalley
Jon Blackwell	Ryan Wheeler (Absent)
Randy Tobler (Absent)	Lon Dalley
Joe Davis	Susan Rose
Lon Dalley	Jeannie Poynor
Bryan Mortensen	
Byron Mills	Elise McCallister, PIC

ORDER OF BUSINESS: At 4:10 p.m., Chairman Ken Staton called to order the regular meeting of the Moapa Valley Water District Board of Directors. The agenda items were addressed in the following order:

1. Public Comment (May be limited to five minutes)

Elise McCallister explained that the RMP is out the window but the Desert Conservation Program has been working on a federal lands bill. Senator Heller is not going to be the senator in 2019 so it's full speed ahead. They have no opposition and no one to hold them back.

PIC was working last year on the RMP and comments. This federal lands bill is an opportunity to get some things in there. If congress passes that bill, it will be hard to undo. They've been talking about Logandale Trails being designated as an OHV area. This is an opportunity to get something in there to benefit the community or how we see public land. It's a boat we don't want to miss. Elise has been looking at things for PIC and she thought there might be something in there for the district especially with the right-of-ways and some of the issues we're working on.

Lindsey Dalley asked if she knew what kind of timeline we're looking at. He was wondering if now that we have all Democrats in office if it will go thru faster.

Elise thinks that it will go thru pretty quick. She got the impression that once congress starts it they're going to get pretty serious about it.

Joe explained that he's been working with Marilyn Kirkpatrick and he did get her shape files. The district is listed in that lands bill. Our tanks, easements and the future stuff that we will need are all in there. We're a little ahead of the curb and all of that started when Joe and Elise worked on the RMP. Technically the BLM still denies the RMP is dead even though it was in the Pahrump paper and the Review Journal. That's why we've partnered with PIC in the past. Elise has helped us out immensely. She is a huge forward thinker when an opportunity comes. We should make some lemonade out of the lemons we have right now. If the lands bill is going to move forward, it's nice that we're in there. We may need to adjust it a smidge. We probably need to be more proactive.

Elise said that every once in awhile congress could designate something that could be beneficial to us. The beautiful thing about that is that it's carved in stone pretty much.

2. Approval of the Minutes of the previous meeting held November 8, 2018 (For Possible Action)

On motion of Lindsey Dalley and seconded by Jon Blackwell, the Board voted 3-0 in favor to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2018 meeting.

3. S E amended order on the LWRFS (For Possible Action)

Joe said that we have things that we need to talk about that are confidential and need to be discussed in closed-door. He wanted it to be listed on the agenda just in case there was something out of the ordinary that

we might need to do.

The order did come out and it's definitely better than the old one was. There's going to be a hearing on the 14th. He's sure there will be some time for people to express their displeasure or their gratitude for the way that it is. We have six months to get reports to them so that buys us some time in order to put some things together. Joe had some pros and cons as our attorney sees them. This is confidential because we probably are going to get into litigation on this issue.

On motion of Chairman Staton and seconded by John Blackwell the Board voted 3-0 to call a closed-door session at 3:20 p.m.

On motion of Chairman Staton and seconded by Jon Blackwell the Board voted 3-0 to reconvene the open-door session at 4:25 p.m.

4. Public Comment (May be limited to five minutes)

None

5. Personnel (Closed-Door Session)

On motion of Chairman Staton and seconded by Jon Blackwell, the Board voted 3-0 in favor to give each employee a \$400 Christmas bonus.

6. Approval of the January 10, 2019 Board Meeting

The general consensus was to hold the next Board meeting on January 10, 2018 at 4 p.m.

7. Public Comment (May be limited to five minutes)

None

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:31 pm.