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BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SOUTH DURANGO SANITATION DISTRICT**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the South Durango Sanitation District was held on September 16, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. via teleconference.

Present at the meeting were the following members of the Board of Directors:

Curt Piccoli
Bud Gohn
Pat Morrissey
Judy Campbell
Tom Price

Also present were Dave Marsa, Nic Ionita, Stephan Kimball, and Bud Smith.

The Board reviewed and approved payment of the District invoices. The Board agreed to accept annual payments for five years from Loma Linda Sanitation District for repayment of 10% of the cost of the tractor.

Attorney Smith reviewed the August 2021 financial statements. There are no significant changes.

Attorney Smith reviewed the interest returns on the District investments and debt. The interest rate on the CWRPD loan is 2% and the current return on District investments is 0.57% which will be reduced to less than 0.3% when the remaining CDs with higher interest rates mature in the next few months. After discussion, on motion duly made and seconded the Board authorized the prepayment of the remaining balance of the CWRPDA loan on November 1, 2021.

Attorney Smith reviewed the medical insurance renewal for the District employees. The District's current plan, PPO3, shows a small increase of 2% for renewal. The Board discussed changing to PPO2 which has a smaller deductible with a slightly higher premium. On motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the renewal with the PPO2 plan.

The Board reviewed the minutes of August 19, 2021. On motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved.

The Board discussed resuming in-person meetings. Pat advised that the Tribe's policy allows meeting if all participants wear masks and maintain social distancing. The conference phone for the meeting room at 65 Mercado is being repaired but should be available for the October meeting. The Board decided to hold the October meeting at 65 Mercado with conference calling available for unvaccinated participants and others preferring to participate by phone.

The Board reviewed the minutes of August 19, 2021. On motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved.

The monthly operations report was presented. Dave reported the plant was operating well with no significant problems. Flows are average about 200,000 gallons per day, about 45% of design capacity. Sludge processing will continue through October.

Line cleaning will be scheduled later in September.

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The project for the replacement of the Silver View Court line has been completed. A determination will be made at a later date about whether to install recycled asphalt.

Rick reported on the status of the plant upgrade project. Fluidyne is writing the program to the new process. A start-up in November is anticipated.

The Board and District staff discussed concerns with Covid vaccines. Staff members stated their objection to vaccinations. It was suggested staff implement steps to maintain separation at the workplace but avoiding working together inside, riding in the same vehicle and other measures to maintain as much social distancing as possible.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.