

# MINUTES OF MEETING BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOUNTAIN HILLS SANITARY DISTRICT

The Board of Directors of the Fountain Hills Sanitary District met in a **Regular Meeting** on **Wednesday, April 16, 2025** at **4:30 p.m.** in the District's Board Room located at 16941 E. Pepperwood Circle, Fountain Hills, Arizona.

## **Agenda Item No. 1** **Call to order and roll call**

*Upon roll call the following Directors were present:*

Chairperson Michael Maroon, Vice Chairperson Clayton Corey, Director Robert Thomson, Director Gregg Dudash, and Director Tammy Bell.

(Note: Unanimous votes refer to all Directors present)

*The following Executive Staff members were present:*

Dana Trompke, District Manager, Tori Myers, District CPA, and Penny Cook, Assistant Secretary.

## **Agenda Item No. 2** **Approval of Minutes: Budget Workshop and Regular Meeting: March 26, 2025**

A motion was made by Director Thomson to approve the minutes of the Budget Workshop and Regular Meeting of March 26, 2025 as presented. Director Bell seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

## **Agenda Item No. 3** **Call to Public.**

There were no comments.

## **Agenda Item No. 4** **District Manager's report; items to be discussed include plant and recharge statistics for March, permit compliance, new and existing sewer services, active project updates, public communication efforts, and Town communication and/or coordination efforts.**

The District Manager reported for the month of March: The average daily influent flow was 2.076 MGD.

Total WW treated for March was 64,366,000 gallons.

The District was in compliance with all permit requirements for the month.

March Reclaimed Water delivered to reusers was 19,492,000 gallons.

The District Manager reported the District's total recharge credit available as of March 31, 2025 was 582,071,938 gallons.

There were two new single-family and one non-residential sewer service agreements issued in March.

Construction is progressing well for the Plant Control Bldg. project. The contractor has poured the new footings and slab and is beginning to work on the masonry walls. Construction is expected to last from February to the middle of July.

The contractor is complete with all final construction and electrical items on the ASR Well 1 Vault Replacement project. The remaining work on the project requires the engineer to provide record drawings and close out the permit with Maricopa County.

The contractor has successfully replaced 3 of the 5 VFDs for the Blower VFD Replacement (FERR) project. The remaining two will be replaced over the next two weeks. The swap out of these critical pieces of equipment required two different plant shutdowns, timed for 3:00 am. Plant and Collections system staff came in to accommodate the work and were commended for their efforts to help.

No change on the Safety Program Review and Update. Staff are addressing the minor comments from the facility assessments. The Confined Space Program has been drafted and is under review. A review of all Safety Program documentation, practices, and training programs will be completed over the first half of 2025.

Generators have arrived for the PS #3 and #5 Generator Replacement (FERR) project. The actual work schedule has not yet been set due to a lack of an exhaust fabricator.

The District received a formal request from the engineer of a developer to review treatment capacity to accommodate 1,500 homes for the State Trust Land. An internal analysis is complete. A document detailing the findings will be provided to the Board.

No change on the USF Permit Renewal. ADWR has confirmed they will not meet the review deadline that was extended to January 2025. ADWR returned the \$2,000 review fee to the consultant. The current permit is valid until a new one is issued.

There is currently one staffing vacancy: One Project Manager

**Agenda Item No. 5**

**District CPA's report; items to be discussed include status of income and expenditures, billing, report on collection efforts to date, and general direction from Board.**

District CPA reported the General Fund Income Statement for March was favorable to budget.

**Agenda Item No. 6**

**Discussion and consideration to approve FY 2025/2026 Preliminary budget and fee schedule for publication and to set public hearing thereon.**

District CPA informed the Board there is a change to one of the proposed budget numbers that was presented at the March 26, 2025 budget workshop meeting. The change is due to tax needing to be added to a piece of equipment.

After a discussion, Director Thomson made a motion to approve FY 2025/2026 Preliminary budget and fee schedule, with amendments, for publication and to set public hearing thereon. Director Correy seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**Agenda Item No. 7**

**Legal Counsel updates and discussion of procedural matters and possible future legislation.**

Legal Counsel was not present.

**Agenda Item No. 8**

**Consideration to approve Resolution No. 296, Call for Non-partisan Election on November 4, 2025.**

Director Thomson asked who the District Secretary was and requested an agenda item be placed on the May 21, 2025 agenda for discussion and possible appointment.

After a discussion, Director Dudash made a motion to approve Resolution No. 296, Call for Non-partisan Election on November 4, 2025, with discussed change. Director Corey seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**Agenda Item No. 10**

**The Chairperson, the individual members of the Board and the District Manager will each be permitted to provide a brief summary of current events. The Board will not propose, discuss, deliberate, or take legal action at the meeting on any matter addressed in the summaries, unless the specific item is otherwise properly noticed.**

Director Bell asked if the District was participating in the Drug Take Back Day.

Vice Chairperson Corey asked if anyone had put an article in the paper regarding ASR Well #1. Vice Chairperson Corey indicated he would volunteer and write something up for the paper.

**Agenda Item No. 11**

**Adjournment.**

Director Thomson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:21 p.m. Director Corey seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

*Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April 2025.*

Fountain Hills Sanitary District

Minutes Prepared By:

  
Penny Cook, Assistant Secretary