

## **Chandler Heights Citrus Irrigation District** PO Box 9038

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A public meeting of the Chandler Heights Citrus Irrigation District was convened on June 14, 2023 at 26651 S Valencia Ave. President of the Board Elizabeth Fulghum, Directors of the Board Ella O'Neill, and Pamela Cain, Acting Recording Secretary Alicia Diaz. Also attending were superintendent Alfonso Garcia, Pat O'Malley, Greg Dunnan, Nic Wardian, Milly Wardian. Jay Earls and Katie Melfy.

## Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order on Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at 7:02 pm.

# Call to the public

- Nic and Milly Wardian asked about Two Tree apartment complex on Power and Santan. They wanted to know what is going to actually be built as there are many rumors circulating. CHCID is obligated to supply water only. Maricopa County makes the decision on any permits needed and as of today no case number for development is registered with the county. We will all be watching for any permit applications by the developer.
- Jay Earls has a private irrigation line. A valve is being left opened when no one on his block is receiving water and risers are being compromised. Elizabeth will go personally to look at the issue to get a better idea of the problem.

### **Old Business**

- May 10, 2023 minutes were read and approved.
- Personnel- One Zanjeros was hired, but didn't work out. We have a line on another that will be applying We are still looking for another to fill the domestic slot.
- San Tan pipeline- Project is complete payment is scheduled for June 21, 2023. Ella proposed that we start the permitting process from Maricopa County to finish the San Tan line from 178th to Valencia as it took months to get the permitting for 178th to Recker. In the meantime, the line on Tangelo from San Tan to Riggs is our next construction replacement priority.
- Easements Violations Lawyer is sending easement letters to customers who are not complying with easements, Customers have been given 14 days to respond to CHCID.
- Office Improvements- Inside office paint was completed on June 11, 2023 by Eleazar Perez. Elizabeth is still working on getting bids for floor tile. Pam is getting bids on counter refinishing.
- Budget and Capital Expense Planning- New truck and water tank & trailer were purchased 1 previously so can be taken off the list for 2023. New backhoe remains on the wishlist.

- TTC Waterline Agreement We will be contracting directly with DKG Civil Engineering instead going thru TTC. The Waterline agreement will be amended to reflect this.
- DOWAR Tax- Yearly fee collected by the Dept. of Water Resources. Irrigation desk had to make many calls with low balance accounts after DOWAR tax was applied to get accounts back on track.
- Pat O'Malley is still not able to see his irrigation transactions within the software program. Pat will get together with Stacey to find out why he's not accessing his transaction information.

#### **New Business**

- Gusto Added an expense reimbursement capability for employees. We still need all receipts turned in and signatures from board members before getting reimbursed.
- ADEQ arsenic updates ADEQ (Arizona Department of Environmental Quality) is planning on updating their aquifer water quality standards for water being put back into the ground <u>not</u> water being taken out of the ground (i.e., drinking water). This is for people with aquafer protection permits... not water districts. (Example: Sewage treatment plants, mines, etc that have a lot of waste water to get rid of and are pouring back into the ground). ADEQ will be tightening up the standards for that water being returned to the aquafer.
- EPA & ADEQ are surveying water providers for PFAS (permanent containments starting to show up in some water supplies due to industrial waste). A sample from CHCID was analyzed by ADEQ Results The test was done using parts per trillion for PFAS and CHCID results were undetectable. The EPA is doing surveys first before making any changes to the way they test. The new standard may be in parts per trillion.
- Elections- Window opens June 19, 2023 and closes July 17, 2023. Ella will post a reminder on Facebook about election time.
- Website not working-Website was down for a couple of days affecting irrigation sign ups, None of the irrigation sign ups transferred over to Irrigation desk leaving many of our customers without irrigation. Office has contacted all affected customers.

### **Action Items**

- Elizabeth will be visiting Jay Earl's property to see what the problem is with irrigation.
- Elizabeth is looking for bids on office flooring
- Pam looking for bids on office countertops

#### Adjournment

Ella O'Neill made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Pamela Cain seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:49 pm

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