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The following are the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of the Doña Ana Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association Board of Directors, March 27, 2015, convened at 2:00 P.M. at Doña Ana Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association Board Room located at 5535 Ledesma Dr. Las Cruces NM:

### Call to Order & Roll Call

President, Mr. Melton, called the meeting to order at 2:00 P.M. and called roll:

Vice President, Jamie Stull, Excused for Dr. Appointment Secretary/Treasurer, Agnes Balizan, Present Board Member, Kay Trujillo, Present

#### Others in Attendance:

Executive Director, Jennifer Horton Project Manager, Abenicio Fernandez Administrative Assistant, Edward B. Salomón

#### Approval of Agenda

Mrs. Balizan moved to approve the agenda as presented; the Motion was seconded by Mrs. Trujillo. The Chair called for discussion of the motion. The Chair called for a vote on the motion; the motion carried by roll call vote 3-0.

## **Customer Issues and Public Input**

No customer issues were discussed.

# **Unfinished Business**

Interview for Mr. Kurt Anderson:

- Q. Are you aware of the existence of any circumstance which would bar your accepting appointment to this Board of Directors?
- A. None
- Q. What motivates you to volunteer to serve as a Member of this Board of Directors?
- A. Enjoys the job; has interest in water.

- Q. What do you envision as your time commitment to this volunteer position, and if you underestimate the requirement, what is the maximum amount of time you will commit?
- A. One quarter of a 40 hour work week.
- Q. What is you greatest achievement or achievements?
- A. Scientific research and publications.
- Q. What do you think the characteristics are of an outstanding Board Member?
- A. Tolerance and willingness to do homework.
- Q. Do you have any reservations, worries, or concerns about becoming a member of this Board of Directors?
- A. No.
- Q. What skills, Expertise, interpersonal relationships, etc. do you have to offer and are willing to utilize on behalf of the Association?
- A. Organizational skills.
- Q. Would you consider yourself A. Big picture person or B. Detail person?
- A. Detail person- tends to micro-manage.
- Q. How would you handle criticism directed toward yourself and/or the Board of Directors?
- A. Try to respond and has thick skin.
- Q. Are you willing to travel in and out of town?
- A. Yes.
- Q. At the end of your service on the Board, how would you like to be remembered?
- A. Someone who kept everything together.

- Q. What do you envision the position of DAMDWCA should be 20 years from now?
- A. Wants DAMDWCA to be the single good supply of water/ waste water service in Doña Ana County.

Interview for Mrs. Martha Garcia:

- Q. Are you aware of the existence of any circumstance which would bar your accepting appointment to this Board of Directors?
- A. Emma Garcia is my mother in law.
- Q. What motivates you to volunteer to serve as a Member of this Board of Directors?
- A. Has water concerns, Lives in the area; wants to continue family name at Doña Ana MDWCA.
- Q. What do you envision as your time commitment to this volunteer position, and if you underestimate the requirement, what is the maximum amount of time you will commit?
- A. Available full-time.
- Q. What is you greatest achievement or achievements?
- A. Making it to 61 years old and surviving cancer.
- Q. What do you think the characteristics are of an outstanding Board Member?
- A. Honesty, fearlessness, going with her heart and making good decisions.
- Q. Do you have any reservations, worries, or concerns about becoming a member of this Board of Directors?

A. No.

- Q. What skills, Expertise, interpersonal relationships, etc. do you have to offer and are willing to utilize on behalf of the Association?
- A. Organized, vast accounting background and very literate.

- Q. Would you consider yourself A. Big picture person or B. Detail person?
- A.40% Big Picture 60% Detail person
- Q. How would you handle criticism directed toward yourself and/or the Board of Directors?
- A. If you cannot take it don't join.
- Q. Are you willing to travel in and out of town?
- A. Yes.
- Q. At the end of your service on the Board, how would you like to be remembered?
- A. Someone who didn't mess up.
- Q. What do you envision the position of DAMDWCA should be 20 years from now?
- A. Still active/ making plans to continue for another 200 years.

Mrs. Balizan made a motion to accept nominations for appointment of Representative of District 2; seconded by Mrs. Trujillo. The Chair called for discussion.

Mrs. Trujillo nominated Mrs. Martha Garcia

Mrs. Balizan nominated Mr. Kurt Anderson

Mr. Melton nominated Mr. Kurt Anderson

The Chair called for a vote on the motion; carried by roll call vote 2-1 in favor of Mr. Kurt Anderson.

## Open Discussion

Mr. Melton suggested that we add announcement in the phone tree message about Mrs. Garcia and her award at the annual meeting help meet quorum, but was advised by the Board that it would not help make quorum.

Mr. Melton also reminded everyone about volunteers coming into the Board room on March 30, 2015 from 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. to call Association Members and remind them of the annual meeting.

Mrs. Horton asked if the Board thought it was okay to close the Doña Ana MDWCA office on April 3, 2015 in observance of Good Friday. The Board decided that it was a good idea and agreed to the closure.

Mr. Melton also discussed a letter that he received from the NMDWB that had questions about the complaints filed by Mr. Crowley. He mentioned that he was putting together responses together with Mrs. Horton and would let the other Board members review them if they would like to.

#### Adjournment

Mrs. Balizan Moved to adjourn at 3:29; the motion was seconded by Mrs. Trujillo. The Chair called for discussion of the motion. The Chair called for a vote of the motion; motion carried by roll call vote 3-0.

Mrs. Agnes Balizan

Secretary/ Treasurer

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