MOUNTAIN GREEN SEWER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

5455 West Old Highway Road, Mountain Green, Utah 84050

Minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting

Wednesday, October 5, 2022 6:00 P.M.

APPROVED

Board Members Present: (Chairman) Bill Coutts, Zane Gray, Nathan Hill, and Taylor Nielsen Absent: Larry Nance **Employees Present:** Jeremy Sorensen (Manager) **Guests Present:** Jared Anderson, Kerry Gibson

A. Call to Order: Chairman Bill Coutts welcomed everyone present then called the October 5, 2022 meeting to order. Due to the ongoing risk posed by the COVID-19 pandemic the MGSID monthly board meeting will continue to be held electronically.

B. Prayer: Zane Gray

C. Approval of Agenda: No changes

D. Declaration of Conflicts of interest: None.

E. Approval of Minutes: Member Gray motioned to approve the minutes as presented.

Member Hill seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

F. Public Comment: None

Agenda Items

1) Facilities_Plant Expansion_Jared Anderson/Kerry Gibson

- a) Out of 4 contractors requested to bid on the sewer plant expansion project, 2 had concerns regarding the deadline for the bid and the construction timeline. Those contractors asked to extend the construction timeline from 18 months to 24 months. Mr. Anderson and member Nielsen said that the new timeline didn't seem like it would jeopardize the funding from the ARPA dollars or the bond. Mr. Anderson noted that the ARPA funds need to be spent by the end of 2026. Manager Sorensen said he would double check with Mr. Keller of Zion's bank about whether extending the deadline would jeopardize or cause any problems with the bond funding.
- b) The Canyon View Lift station is not going to be started for a couple of weeks, but will be completed within the 180 day deadline. That works out since the attorney for MGSID is still busy reviewing the lift station contracts.
- c) The Governor's Office for Economic Opportunity delayed the ARPA funding application process and some of the rules for the application changed. Mr. Gibson worked with Morgan County to make the application in order to meet the new requirements. Manager Sorensen and Mr. Anderson were aware and adaptable to the changes as well, and an application was made in a timely manner. Mr. Gibson felt confident that the District had done everything possible to be in a position for a successful application.

ARPA funds from the county are predicted to be received within the month.

d) Twin D is offering a service called RAT cleaning. Member Nielsen noted that Ogden City is also using this particular kind of service, and that he was impressed with what he had seen about their quality and type of service. Member Nielsen made a motion to accept the addition of

the RAT inspection. Chairman Coutts seconded. Member Hill asked if MGSID has been pleased with Twin D as a provider thus far. Member Nielsen and Manager Sorensen said they were pleased with their service. All in favor. Motion passed.

e) Manager Sorensen had a productive meeting with Mark at Snowbasin. He hopes to receive the agreement with Snowbasin on Friday. Once the agreement is drafted, they will vet it with all the relevant parties, including legal counsel, and bring it to the board for approval. Chairman Coutts didn't foresee any major roadblocks.

2) Personnel/Election Committee

Member Grey updated the board on the current election process. Member Neilsen would like to continue his work on the board, and no other interest has been expressed for others to join the board, so there will be no need to hold an election this year.

3) Finance Committee

It has been deemed necessary to move forward with Truth and Taxation. Manager Sorensen has a worksheet with items required by the State of Utah for this process. A public meeting needs to be held to inform the public about the tax increase and reasons for a tax increase. Manager Sorensen went over some of those items, including an increase in cost of operations and inflation. The recommended increase is 50%, which is lower than the maximum amount possible. It amounts to about \$25 per household, according to member Hill. Member Hill made a motion to increase property taxes for members of the County. All in Favor. Motion passed.

4) Fee Working Group

The fee working group report is on track to be completed by mid-November. Impact Fee analysis should be completed by the end of November. Mr. Anderson is still waiting on information from Snowbasin. Member Coutts asked if Jim Hill was aware of the delay and offered to send him an update.

5) Executive Committee

Mr. Gibson expressed his gratitude in working with MGSID, and his interest to continue working on the expansion project with MGSID. The contract will be the same as the year prior; 12 months at \$5,000 per month. Member Hill noted that the interest earned from the ARPA funds each month nearly covers the fee for the contract with Lincoln Hill. Chairman Coutts noted that he sees the contract as an investment. Member Hill made a motion to renew the contract with Lincoln Hill as proposed. Member Nielsen seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

7) Closed Session to Discuss a Potential Property Purchase

Chairman Coutts made a motion to enter a closed session to discuss a potential property purchase as presented by commissioner Anderson. Member Nielsen seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

Member Hill made a motion to reconvene the public meeting. Member Gray seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

8) Board New Business

- Chairman Coutts asked Manager Sorensen to follow up on Cottonwoods phase 7b
- November meeting to be held at the district office with the option of attending via Zoom.

9) Motion to Adjourn

Member Nielsen made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by member Gray. All in favor. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned 7:20pm.