

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
NORTHERN GILA COUNTY SANITARY DISTRICT**

The Board of Directors of the Northern Gila County Sanitary District met in a Special Meeting on Thursday, October 18, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. in the Conference Room located at 2200 West Doll Baby Ranch Rd., Payson, AZ.

**Agenda Item No. 1 – Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, and Call to Order**

- Shirley Dye gave the Invocation.
- William Easton led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Robert Sanders called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.

**Agenda Item No. 2 – Roll Call**

- The following Board Members were present for the meeting: Sheila DeSchaaf, Board Member; Shirley Dye, Board Member; William Easton, Secretary; Patrick Underwood, Vice-Chairman and Robert Sanders, Chairman.
- The following public and staff members were present for the meeting: Jacque Sanders, Gila County Deputy Manager, Sadie Bingham, Gila County Recorder, Eric Mariscal, Gila County Elections, Greg Freistad-2018 General Election Candidate for NGCSD, Jim Muhr-2018 General Election Candidate for NGCSD, Barbara Underwood, general public, Mike Harper, Legal Counsel for the Governing Board; Garrett Goldman, District Manager- Via conference call, and Deniese Morgan, Administrative Services Manager.

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

- There were no public comments.

**Agenda Item No. 4 –Administration**

- Discussion /Possible Action: 2018 General Election ballot error and remedy. Jacque Sanders introduced herself along with Eric and Sadie. She first and foremost apologized to the Board for the printing error with the ballots. She explained, when the County was made aware the sample ballots were incorrect, as they showed vote 3, when ballot should of stated "vote for 2", Gila County made the correction and sent the file back to the printer for a proof. The printer sent back the corrected proof, and proceeded to print the incorrect file. Patrick Underwood stated he wants to make sure the election is fair to all four candidates that are running for office. Jacque agreed, and stated they are doing everything they can to make sure the correct information reaches voters.  
Rob Sanders, and Bill Easton Recused themselves from this discussion as it directly effects them. Rob asked Vice-Chairman Patrick Underwood to chair the meeting. Jacque stated, originally it was thought the Sanitary District would have some options on how to proceed, however after meeting with Gila County Attorney, Secretary of State, Elections Department and the Records Office, there is only viable solution, and that is to hold a "Special Election" simultaneously with the "General Election", there are no options and no action would be required by the Board. She added new ballots will be going out to all the Permanent Early Voter List on Friday, with language explaining this is a "Special Election" for NGCSD. For Election Day, there will be additional ballots for the "Special Election". Sadie stated her office will cross reference to make sure everyone on the PEVL has returned the "Special Election" ballot, and will make phone calls and house calls

for voter outreach. Jacque added, Gila County Elections will place ads in the local paper every Tuesday and Friday, up to Election Day, in addition to radio announcements on KRIM, and KMOG, and any other local stations. She will also air Public Service Announcement on local channel 4. After some discussion, a suggestion was made to advertise at the Sawmill Movie Theatre, and Shirley Dye stated she can email the Democratic and Republican Headquarters of Gila County to inform them of the "Special Election" ballots coming out. Sheila DeSchaaf asked Mike Harper if was acceptable for a Board Member to be sending out emails in regards to the "Special Election". Mike stated as long as it is information only and not naming anyone, he did not see any issues. There was no action taken by the Board.

12:45pm Rob Sanders and Bill Easton rejoined the meeting.

**Agenda Item No. 5 – Executive Session**

- There was none.

**Agenda Item No. 6 – Discussion/Possible Action**

- There was none.

**Agenda Item No. 7 – Schedule any Topic or Issue**

- The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018. If anyone is unable to attend, please let us know, or if anyone would like to add something specific to the agenda, please advise the office at their earliest convenience, no later than 10:00 a.m. the day prior to the scheduled meeting.

**Agenda Item No. 8 – Adjournment**

- A motion to adjourn was made by Robert Sanders at 1:02 p.m. William Easton seconded the motion which passed unanimously 5/0.

Respectfully Submitted,



William Easton, Secretary

**Prepared: October 18, 2018**

**Approved this 8<sup>th</sup> Day of November, 2018**