

Special Meeting Minutes
Board of Directors of The American Ranch Domestic Water Improvement District
July 10, 2024 at 10:30 a.m.
The American Ranch – Billiard Room
9500 American Ranch Road, Prescott, AZ

District Board Meeting Guidelines: The meeting will be held in accordance with A.R.S. Title 38 Open Meeting Laws. Board and attendees participation shall be civil and courteous. Any disruptive behavior could result in removal from the meeting. Comments and questions from the public shall be called upon by the Board Chairman, and shall begin with stating and spelling of the speaker's name and address. All comments and questions shall be directed to the Board Chairperson. Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation such as a sign language interpreter, by contacting Jennifer Bartos, Improvement District Services, Inc. at (928) 443-9484. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation. Requests for copies of Board Meeting minutes or other District documents, inquiries, or complaints should be submitted in writing to: Improvement District Services, Inc., 3603 Crossings Drive Prescott AZ 86305.

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Call to Order – David Puglia, Mark Kaplan, Liz Mahon and Cynthia Baker present. Gerry Breuer absent.

Also present and participating in the meeting: Jennifer Bartos, District Clerk/Administrator and Diana King, District Administrator, Improvement District Services, Inc.; Derek Scott, A Quality Water; Johnathon and Braiden Homer, Fever Controls; Russ Anderson, property owner; Bob Wolf, property owner.

1. Discussion and possible action regarding the condition of the water and wastewater facilities.
Fever Controls told the Board that according to the specifications for the water facilities equipment, it appears that there is some missing, modified or substandard equipment on the water system. There is a missing disconnection switch on the fire pump, blowers are running full speed in the wastewater facility, should have a VFD. Derek Scott said that the wastewater treatment plant does not have noticeable changes but there could be modifications under the water. He said that the treatment plant does need to be pumped. He said that typically and on the average, for every 10,000 gallons of influent, there are 200 gallons of solids.

Motion: made by Director Mahon to immediately pursue hiring an engineering firm to evaluate the systems, Derek Scott is directed to contact Civil Tech Engineering, second by Director Baker.
Unanimous Approval

Motion: made by Director Mahon to authorize Derek Scott to obtain the services of an electrician to install the disconnect on the fire pump, second by Director Kaplan.
Unanimous Approval

Motion: made by Director Mahon to authorize Derek Scott at .34 cents per gallon, remove at least half the sludge in the wastewater treatment plant, second by Vice-Chair Kaplan.
Unanimous Approval

Motion: made by Director Mahon to request a quote from Fever Controls for a VFD and miscellaneous electrical work to alternate the blowers for an amount not to exceed \$15,000, second by Director Baker.
Unanimous Approval

Jennifer was asked to arrange for an executive session meeting with the District's attorney at the I.D.S. office.

Public Comment Period: The public will be given the opportunity to comment to the Board of Directors on non-agenda item issues pertaining to the District. This is the time for the public to comment. Members of the Board may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01(G), action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to any criticism or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date. Two minutes will be allowed for each speaker.

Russ Anderson said he appreciates the work that the Board is doing.