

**Minutes, Green Valley Water District
Public Hearings on proposed 2017/18 Estimated Revenues and Expenses
June 15 2017**

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02 and A.R.S. § 42-17103, GVWD prepared, published and posted within the district a notice of the public hearing on the proposed GVWD 2017/18 Estimates of Expenses and Revenues. A complete copy of the Estimates of Expenses and Revenues were available for public inspection at the Pima County Library, Green Valley, Arizona; the GVWD Office; and on the District web site. The notice of public hearing along with a summary of the Revenues and Expenses appeared in the Green Valley News on Sunday, May 24 and June 4, 2017.

The purpose of this public hearing is to review the proposed 2017/18 Estimates of Revenues and Expenses and then hear comments of District residents regarding the proposed Estimates. Ultimately, these proposed estimates will be adopted as the GVWD operating budget for the 2017/18 Fiscal year at the Board meeting immediately following the Public Hearing.

1. Chairman R. Hedden called the Public Hearing to order. The format will be presentation of the proposed 2017/18 Estimates of Expenses and Revenues. After this presentation time is allowed for questions and answers relating to the Estimates. If anyone has questions regarding any other District matter, they are invited to remain for the following Board meeting at which time such matters can be addressed.

Chairman Hedden started with of an overview of the District and its accomplishments during 2016/17 fiscal year. The two major focuses for the year were security and system reliability issues.

Security: New security cameras were placed at all infrastructures. These structures, wells, tanks, booster stations, and the Arsenic Treatment Facility, are monitored through live feed to the office 24/7. As a Water Improvement District we are mandated to provide safe water supplies to all residents within the District.

Reliability: This deals with the ability of the District to keep water flowing to residents during any emergency such as a main line break or electrical outages. This year backup generators were installed at all the well sites and booster stations.

We follow ongoing maintenance programs to assure all Shut off valves and Air Vacs in the system are working as they should. There is also an established 2 year program for replacement of older valves.

Redundancy loops are created to allow the rerouting of water to residents in the event of a water pipe break.

Administratively:

For Customer Convenience, the District implemented email billing and ACH (the ability to set up automatic deductions from residents bank accounts) options.

The community continues to be vigilant and reports water leaks as soon as they occur.

The potable water system is primarily served from Well # 1 with all water passing through our Arsenic Treatment Plant to meet Federal guidelines for arsenic in potable water.

Well #2 serves as a backup and can be drawn into potable water service in the case of any emergency. There are 2 storage tanks which hold 2.5 million gallons each. These tanks are inspected every 4-5 years.

Irrigation water is provided to the golf courses from separate wells.

2. Presentation of Estimates of 2017/2018 Expenses & Revenues of the Green Valley Domestic Water Improvement District: L. Murphy, Chair Finance Committee.

Director Murphy started his presentation by announcing that there will be no increase in water rates for the upcoming fiscal year. He also noted that all operating expenses are covered solely by the income generated from the rates.

Review of the operating summary budget noted total expenditures are up modestly from last year. The largest expense is the debt service-a fixed cost. The two areas that saw the most increase worth noting were the wage and benefit section, and field expenses which is the cost of maintaining the well sites, storage tanks and delivery system.

The projected income is in line with the current year. The largest variable is in how much water is used which is mostly related to golf courses as residential use is stable.

3. Call to the Public:

Mike Fox, 4574 S Moon River Place, asked what the reserve funds were set aside for. These funds are used for medium replacement at the Arsenic treatment plant (both regeneration and full replacement), and maintenance of the storage tanks. The reserves are funded from cash flow. There are also hookup fees for new building development which are collected and isolated in a separate account and will be used to fund a new well site as population increases to a level demanding such expansion.

There were no further questions.

4. Adjournment: Being no questions the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 AM

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**GREEN VALLEY DOMESTIC
WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

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