



**TOWN OF MIAMI**  
**Wastewater Advisory Board Meeting**  
**Wastewater Collection System Replacement Project**  
**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2018 AT 4:00 PM**  
**MIAMI TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**500 W SULLIVAN STREET, MIAMI, ARIZONA 85539**

Meeting Minutes

**I. Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm by Jay Spehar.

**II. Roll Call**

PRESENT: Rosemary Castaneda, Ray Webb, Jerry Barnes

ABSENT: John Trujillo

**III. Approval of Minutes**

a. Approval of Minutes from the October 18, 2018 Meeting.

- Ray Webb motioned to approve the minutes of the October 18, 2018 meeting. Motion was seconded by Jerry Barnes – All in favor.

**IV. New Business**

**a. Project Status Update**

Phase 2 – Project Update Provided by Rick Powers & Joe Heatherly

- Mr. Powers advised that this is still moving through the court system. Mr. Heatherly then steps in to add on that right now they've scheduled a mediation meeting in March but they are going to try and get something accelerated prior to that. Last night a representative from Freeport was at the Tri-City sanitary meeting and called Joe to advise that there are several sink holes that happened again on their property and they would be taking care of it. Dale and Steve went out there this morning to take some pictures of it so they could document it and sent it to the attorney. They are continuing to see the lack of compaction causing these problems.

**Phase 3-5 Project Update**

Phase 3-5 Project Update Provided by Jesse Grinsteiner & Rick Powers

- Rick Powers handed off the update to Jesse, there has been a lot of progress since the last meeting was 2 months ago. Jesse advised that the chart on the slide show is for work done through the end of November, they finished the main line up on Pershing, since then they have also gotten the main line done on Raymond and Frederick. They are currently working on Granite and they are looking to have this done at the end of

next week which would then have all of the eight inch mainline in Phase 5 Complete. They still have the fifteen inch over in Cactus Alley to complete. Cactus Alley they are looking at the end of January to have this rolling, by then Arizona Water should be ready, they have some relocated in Phase 4 that they would like them to do first so they won't hold up the mainline crew. They will be bringing in a separate crew for the Cactus Alley work. Mr. Heatherly then advises that they are not behind schedule on Cactus Alley, they intentionally delayed it to work with Arizona Water.

- Jesse advises that they will be finishing up the two inch force main when they are done on Granite, most of that is installed and rehabilitated. They have SW Environmental back in town working on this. They finished Phase 3 last month. They are continuing to adjust manholes to grade, it is a continuing battle to get these completed because they do not know where they are at, they have to find them. Cleanouts have been going really well, they have been working Fridays for the past six weeks, they got just shy of 80 done last month. It has been moving pretty decently and are almost caught up on this.
- They have been rerouting HCS's and giving homes their own service that were previously connected to another home. They would probably be completely done with this work if they didn't keep running in those that is all they did this week is run services to homes that previously didn't have their own service.
- Jesse provides an update on CIPP and states they didn't have any done at the end of November, but as of today all of Phase 3 is complete, they did have one issue on Van Dyke the liner blew up when they were installing it so they will have to do a point repair to replace a section. More than likely what usually happens in that case is they will come in and do a point repair on that section and then they'll line a thinner diameter liner through it. They will likely fix this when they come out for Phase 5.
- Mr. Heatherly then jumps in and says earlier today they talked about re-routes and any other problems that we come across that weren't initially in the plans instead of pulling people off of current plan things they are going to meet after the first of the year to decide how to handle them. For now they will stack all the issues and decide whether to bring in an additional crew for 3 weeks or so.
- Mr. Spehar wanted to say that he has not received any complaints on the access to and from the areas that are currently being worked on, which is a great thing.
- Mr. Powers then reviews the construction schedule as a part of the PowerPoint, they are slightly behind on the service connections but they are trying to catch up, they have hired another crew to do the manhole adjustments. For Phase 3 they are pretty much done with all of the big items and now that CIPP is done, now it's just some clean up items, paving and patching. Chip Seal will have to wait until the spring so they will have to come back and do that, and hopefully they will be able to get through all of the phases at once. Paving of Phase 3 will be done within the next 2-3 months but chip seal will be a little while.
- They are just now starting Phase 4 they are in the exploratory phase and just started up at Bloody Tanks. They are hoping to have something on this in the next 2-3 weeks. Phase 4 wasn't supposed to be started until March but it is actually getting pushed up so they will have a bit of a head start.
- Phase 5 they are making great progress, the reason they are only showing 36% complete is because of all the laterals and the service connections, they are taking extra time because of re-routes and the houses that are connected together. All in all they are pretty much on schedule at this point in time.
- Rosemary had a question about standing water up on Rose and inquired if it was sewage water, Steve Flinn reassured her that it was storm water runoff and the Town of Miami

cleaned out the storm drains, the water is no completely gone and just a little mud is left to be cleaned up.

- Next slide Mr. Powers reviewed was the successes and challenges slide, as the board has advised they are doing a great job at working with the public and providing them notification. Mr. Spehar then adds he would like to thank everyone for working so well with the Utility Company that this communication has improved a lot. Mr. Powers then goes into some of the biggest issues are with the design issues they run into, Steve has made a lot of changes in the field, they have eliminated the lift station on depot hill and they are also looking at eliminating the lift station on Merrit. They have found solutions that still provide the service without compromising the quality and not tearing up as many streets.
- Rick Hurula advised that the project is moving along very well due to the collaborative effort made out in the field. We are currently about 450 thousand below the original contract, which is fantastic. Some of these savings will need to be used for the paving.

#### **Payment Applications**

- Town of Miami's payment application in the amount of \$8,159.78 for project-related expenses were reviewed and discussed. A motion was made by Jerry Barnes to recommend to Council for approval of the Town of Miami payment application in the amount of \$8,159.78, subject to funding agency concurrence. Ray Webb seconded the motion. All in favor.
- KE&G's payment application in the amount of \$354,700.66 for project-related expenses were reviewed and discussed. A conversation was initiated about the remob fee on KE&G pay application and whether or not that is a cost that can be pay or recouped from Arizona Water Company. The end decision was to process the pay application as is, with a potential conversation in to Arizona Water Company regarding the roughly 20 thousand dollar charge due to their delays. A motion was made by Ray Webb to recommend to Council for approval of the KE&G payment application in the amount of \$354,700.66, subject to funding agency concurrence. Rosemary Castaneda seconded the motion. 3 I's and one neigh the motion carried.
- HILGARTWILSON payment application in the amount of \$97,945.60 for project-related expenses were reviewed and discussed. A motion was made by Jerry Barnes to recommend to Council for approval of the HILGARTWILSON payment application in the amount of \$97,945.60, subject to funding agency concurrence. Rosemary Castaneda seconded the motion. All in favor.

#### **b. Public Comment on the operation, financing, and construction of the sewer project**

- Work Order No. 1 & 2 were lightly discussed, this will be further discussed once the reconciliation is complete.
- Dan a resident in Town of Miami, wanted to know why the pipe leading up to his house has been dug up 3 times. He wanted to know why the compaction was not done right the first time resulting in a broken pipe twice. Steve Flinn provided an explanation on why the pipe did not break twice and it was not due to lack of compaction but rather of design failure and SW Gas and Arizona Water company both had to come out at separate times to fix the conflict.

#### **V. Adjournment:**

Rosemary Castaneda motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Jerry Barnes. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 5:11 pm.