



Board of Directors Study Session Minutes

January 21, 2025, 7:30 a.m.

62 Plaza Drive, Highlands Ranch, CO 80129

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/99672376331>

Telephone: 346-248-7799

Webinar ID: 996 7237 6331

Attendees:

Tammy Essmeier

Frank Johns

Frank McNulty

Staff:

Sam Calkins

Peter Bong

Kristi Robinson

Ryan Edwards

Lauren Appleby

Kari Larese

Jon Klassen

Jeremie Lewis

Tiffany Hooten

Julie Tinetti

Heather Morgan

Stacy Smith

Walter Trush

Bobbi Lavoie

Amy Dublin (via Zoom)

Others present:

Tim Flynn – Ireland Stapleton Pryor & Pascoe, PC

Introductory Comments

- Board Members
Board member Johns recognized Kari Larese's publication in the Rocky Mountain Water magazine regarding the importance of communication.
- General Manager
General Manager Calkins introduced the new Finance Director, Tiffany Hooten.

Presentations

- Regulations and Legislative Updates – Julie Tinetti
Board member McNulty recommended that staff work with regulatory agencies to encourage regulation of PFAS chemicals at reasonable levels.

Discussion Items

- Douglas County Health MOU – Kari Larese
Board member McNulty would like staff to work with Douglas County Health to consider cost break for our residents since we are participating financially. He stated that he realizes a price reduction might not be possible this year.
Board member Essmeier would like to see more community outreach to get people informed about the opportunity for hazardous chemical disposal.
- Douglas County Fire Protection Regulations – Ryan Edwards
Board member Essmeier mentioned that we need to communicate with residents about how we work with other entities (e.g. HRMD, HRCA, South Metro Fire) and the plans we have in place to respond to wildfires.
Board member McNulty suggests that before any messaging goes out that the district and board members coordinate first and have the right contacts in place in the event of a wildfire.

Planning and Engineering Items

- No Items

Operations

- No Items

Finance and Administration Items

25-100 - Consent

Adopt Resolution 25-100 which rescinds unexpended appropriations for completed projects.

25-101 - Consent

Adopt Resolution 25-101 to appoint Mr. Steve Miller as a Citizen Representative on the Retirement Board of the Highlands Ranch Special District's Employees' Retirement Association to a term expiring December 31, 2028.

25-102 - Consent

Adopt Resolution 25-102 with the following actions:

- Designation of meeting place for board meetings (regular, special and study session).
- Designation of location for posting notice of board meetings (regular, special and study session).

Water Resources and Conservation

- No Items

Routine Approvals

25-103 - Consent

Ratify December 2024 cash and investment transactions (including expenditures).

Adjourn