

**Camino Real Regional Utility Authority**  
**City of Sunland Park/Dona Ana County Joint Utility Authority**  
**Gadsden Independent School District-Board Room**  
**4950 McNutt Rd, Sunland Park, New Mexico 88063**  
**Tuesday October 18, 2016**  
**4:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

A Regular Meeting of the Camino Real Regional Utility Authority was held on Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at 4:03 p.m. at the Gadsden Independent School District-Board Room at 4950 McNutt Road in Sunland Park, New Mexico 88063.

**PRESENT**

Chair Mr. Joshua Orozco  
Commissioner Dr. David Garcia  
Commissioner Benjamin L. Rawson (arrived at 4:09)  
State Representative Bealquin Gomez  
Councilor Kenneth Giove (absent at 5:17)  
Councilor Francisco Jayme (absent at 5:42)

**ABSENT**

Vice-Chair Mrs. Susan Yturralde

**ALSO PRESENT**

Mr. Brent Westmoreland, CRRUA Executive Director  
Mr. Eric Lopez, Bridel Facility Ops  
Mrs. Sue Padilla, Consultant  
Mr. Tom Figart, CRRUA Attorney  
Ms. Mary De Avila, CRRUA Administrative Assistant  
Ms. Letty Mora, Psychologist Services and Translation/Interpretation Services  
Mr. Ron King, Resident  
Mrs. Mary Gonzalez, Resident  
Mr. Ramon Sierra, Resident  
Ms. Jacqueline Derrick, Resident  
Ms. Rita Trevino, Resident  
Dr. Wilfredo Santiago, Resident

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Joshua Orozco called the meeting to order at 4:03 pm.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mr. Joshua Orozco led the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

**3. ROLL CALL**

Ms. Mary De Avila, Administrative Assistant called roll call. A quorum was present.

4. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Councilor Francisco Jayme suggested motion for the removal of items 6A and 6B from the consent Agenda. It was approved by the board of directors.

5. APPROVE MINUTES

A. September 12, 2016

Commissioner Benjamin L. Rawson moved to approve the minutes for September 12, 2016 with corrections on item 8, staff comments and item 10, adjournment; the motion was seconded by Councilor Francisco Jayme. The motion carried a 5-0 vote.

6. CONSENT AGENDA-The board will be asked to approve by one motion the following items of recurring or routine business.

A. AWARD REF# 17-0006 TO JAMES COOK AND HOBSON INC FOR THE ARSENIC TREATMENT MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES AND AUTHORIZE SIGNATORY AUTHORITY OVER THE RELATED CONTRACT DOCUMENTS, AMENDMENTS, AND CHANGE ORDERS TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

State Representative Bealquin Gomez moved to approve; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Benjamin L. Rawson . The motion carried a ~~6-0~~ 4-2 vote.

Chair Mr. Joshua Orozco	aye
Commissioner Dr. David Garcia	aye
Commissioner Benjamin L. Rawson	aye
State Representative Bealquin Gomez	aye
Councilor Francisco Jayme	nay
Councilor Kenneth Giove	nay

B. APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO CONTRACT 16-179 BETWEEN CRRUA AND SOUTHWEST ENVIROTEC

Commissioner Benjamin L. Rawson moved to approve; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Dr. David Garcia. The motion carried a ~~6-0~~ 4-2 vote.

Chair Mr. Joshua Orozco	aye
Commissioner Dr. David Garcia	aye
Commissioner Benjamin L. Rawson	aye
State Representative Bealquin Gomez	aye
Councilor Francisco Jayme	nay
Councilor Kenneth Giove	nay

7. PRESENTATION BY TOM FIGART, CRRUA ATTORNEY ON THE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT FOR A JOINT WATER AND WASTEWATER OPERATING AUTHORITY AND JOINT SUBDIVISION, ZONING, PLANNING, AND PLATTING AUTHORITY BETWEEN THE CITY OF SUNLAND PARK AND THE COUNTY OF DONA ANA, NEW MEXICO

Mr. Tom Figart, CRRUA Attorney presented the board members with the joint powers agreement for a joint water and wastewater operating authority and joint subdivision, zoning, planning, and platting authority between the City of Sunland Park and the County of Dona Ana, New Mexico.

#### 8. BOARD COMMENTS

State Representative Bealquin Gomez stated that they need to work on spending capital outlay 2015 funds before January or before they get reverted back .

Councilor Francisco Jayme stated ~~that there should be a safety water service for the resident amendment in the JPA~~ that the JPA needs to give priorities to the health and safety of the water and wastewater services and that it needs to get amended or mission statement added to reflect that message.

#### 9. STAFF COMMENT

Mr. Brent Westmoreland, CRRUA Executive Director informed the board that the \$3.7 million dollar matching grant to an \$8.1 million dollar NADBANK grant to rebuild the North wastewater treatment plant was in danger to get revert back. The \$3.7 million was considered part of the capital outlay funding that would be reverted back to make up for the current fiscal year's deficit by the New Mexico House and Senate leaders. The federal grant was released from the reversion list, after a conversation with LFC Executive Director David Abbey, Capital Outlay Director, Linda Kehoe, and CRRUA, following a letter from EPA stating that CRRUA was in compliance. Now CRRUA needs to get the funds encumbered before the next legislative session. The rest of CRRUA's grant were intact.

Mr. Brent Westmoreland also informed the board members that well 4 will go out to bid in the next few months. Wells 19 and 8A bids are due November 1, 2016 this wells primarily serves Santa Teresa communities. Once the new arsenic plant gets on line the water could be pump to Sunland Park. Sunland Park residents are drinking treated water below the EPA arsenic levels. Once the new arsenic treatment plant gets on line the Santa Teresa residents will also be drinking treated water below the EPA arsenic levels. Well 14 will be going out to bid soon. Well 14 will be channel to Sunland Park, Santa Teresa and the industrial areas as necessary.

Mr. Westmoreland informed the board members that starting November they will be receiving quarterly financials.

Eric Lopez, Bridel Facility Operations presented to the board members with the September 2016 operations monthly reports of the CRRUA water and wastewater system.

#### 10. PUBLIC COMMENTS: Limited to 3 minutes per person.

Ms. Isabel Santos, Resident expressed her disagreement on the new disconnections fees. Also expressed her concern on the water issues.

Ms. Jacqueline Derrick, Resident asked if they have any programs that help community with arsenic issues with water faucet filters.

Ms. Rita Trevino and Ms. Mary Gonzalez, Residents expressed her concern on the issues with the arsenic in the water system.

#### 11. ADJOURNMENT

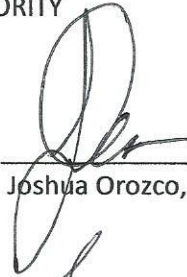
Chair Mr. Joshua Orozco moved to adjourn the Camino Real Regional Utility Authority meeting, seconded by all board members.

The meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m. The motion carried.



**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2016.

CAMINO REAL REGIONAL UTILITY AUTHORITY



Joshua Orozco, Board Member, Chair

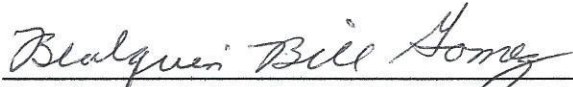


Susan Yturralde, Vice Chair  
Delegate of State Senator Joseph Cervantes



Benjamin L. Rawson, Board Member

Dr. David Garcia, Board Member



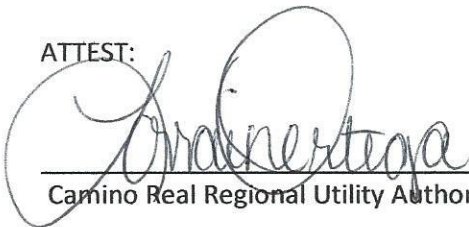
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ATTEST:



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