

**WATER & SEWER COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD DECEMBER 7th, 2020
PUBLIC WORKS TRAINING ROOM
155 WEST 14TH STEET
YUMA, AZ 85364**

Chairman Mohindra called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Vinod Mohindra
Tim Eisenmann
Michael Wicks
Lorna Brooks
Cecil Boelts

MEMBERS ABSENT: Melissa McKinley
William Dohring

STAFF PRESENT: Jeremy McCall, Utilities Director
Jolene Chavez, Administrative Assistant

PUBLIC PRESENT: None

Approval of Minutes from November 2nd, 2020

Michael Wicks made a motion to approve the November 2nd, 2020 minutes, seconded by **Cecil Boelts** (Aye's were Mohindra, Eisenmann, Wicks, Brooks, and Boelts).

Election of 2021 Officers

Chairman – Nomination of **Vinod Mohindra** (Aye's were Eisenmann, Wicks, Brooks & Boelts)

Vice-Chairman - Nomination of **Lorna Brooks** (Aye's were Mohindra, Eisenmann, Wicks, & Boelts)

Secretary - Nomination of **Michael Wicks** (Aye's were Mohindra, Eisenmann, Brooks & Boelts)

Low Income Assistance Program Report

Jeremy McCall discussed the receivables due the City of Yuma since the COVID-19 non-disconnect rules to effect. There is 1,887 accounts delinquent owing a total of \$890,309. Delinquent accounts will be contacted by phone and email to try to get accounts current. Disconnects to for non-payment have been postponed until February 2021.

Department Updates

Water production for 2020 – Water production and water sales has increased for 2020

Thomas Alt Utilities building – Pilkington construction was awarded the bid; 300 days for construction; groundbreaking ceremony will be held Monday, December 14th, 2020.

Sweetwater Utility –Assessment of the facility will be finalized this week; will meet with owner and lawyers next week.

COVID Early Warning Wastewater Sampling – U of A is taking samples to test wastewater systems to test for COVID. A lot of the sampling has been halted because schools have closed down again. Once the schools re-open more sampling will start back up.

Budget – Mid-year budget review is taking place. Everything is going well, no items of concern.

Future Agenda Items

Water Plant Production – water pressure issues

Status on maintenance of storage tanks

Earthquake safety standards

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.