



**CITY OF FLAGSTAFF
WATER COMMISSION
April 15, 2021
Virtual Meeting
SUMMARIZED MINUTES**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ward Davis
Ben Ruddell
Timothy Bowers
Elizabeth Christy
Miranda Sweet (Council Rep)

MEMBERS ABSENT

Malcolm Alter

STAFF PRESENT

Erin Young
Marion Lee
Tamara Lawless
William Case
Lisa Deem
Ramon DC Alatorre
Greg Clifton
Steve Camp
Debra Valencia

OTHERS PRESENT

Phil Paski
Sheila Ehlers
Jay Christensen
Scott
Jason Lamb

I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair, Ward Davis called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 20, 2020 & February 18, 2021

Moved by Ben Ruddell and seconded by Timothy Bowers to approve the meeting minutes of December 20, 2020. Motion carried unanimously. There were no comments on February 18, 2021 meeting summary.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A. Follow up on Climate Emergency Declaration – Ramon DC Alatorre

Ramon DC Alatorre, Sustainability Program presented a brief follow-up presentation on the Climate Emergency Declaration. This was presented to the Water Commission on December 17, 2020. A Resolution (Res. 2020-09) adopted by Council on June 23, 2020, which sets the target of community-wide carbon neutrality by the year 2030. The draft Carbon Neutrality Plan (CNP) has been public since early March. On March 9th, Council gave direction for the Sustainability Section to proceed with completing the CNP using the targets outlined in the ‘Scenario A’ option presented. The City Website is current doing a survey on the Carbon Neutrality Plan and survey can be found here: <https://www.flagstaff.az.gov/fcf> and more info is also provide here: <https://flgsustain.learnworlds.com/course/open-house>

B. Water Awareness Month – Tamara Lawless

Tamara Lawless, Water Conservation Manager announced that April is Water Awareness month. She announced the Mayor’s Challenge and encouraged residents to register their participation in their

city's Challenge online by making simple pledges to decrease their water use and to reduce pollution. More information is provided on the City of Flagstaff Water Conservation website.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Overview of Well Drilling Project at Ft. Tuthill – Erin Young

Erin Young, Interim Water Services Director introduced the agenda item. Sheila Ehlers and Phil Paski with ATC Group Services LLC presented a powerpoint to give an update on the Well Drilling at Ft. Tuthill. Jay Christensen with Boart Drilling Company discussed the drilling method, challenges of drilling and they began drilling a second well at Ft. Tuthill in February.

V. OLD BUSINESS - None

VI. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS TO/FROM THE CHAIR, COMMISSION OR STAFF

Erin Young gave a brief update on the following:

- Director position and manager positions
- Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule 5
- City Council has the second read on April 20 of the four proposed amendments to City Code by Water Services Regulatory Compliance Section
- Rate Study
- Community Stakeholder Committee on Reclaimed Water
- Coconino Estates waterline
- Huntington waterline – on Council agenda April 20
- 1950's shallow well abandonment
- RGR grazing lease – “-T-“ April 20
- Replacing 30 year old intake pumps at Rio
- Rehabilitation of Rio primary and secondary clarifiers
- Trunkline from Lake Mary may cost as much as \$15M to repair
- Sedimentation basin rehab
- McCallister well
- Continental upgrades
- Operator certifications

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Timothy Bowers moved to adjourned at 5:20 p.m. and seconded by Elizabeth Christy.