NYE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
TELECONFERENCE
(971) 224-6574 Access Code 296398
Monday, December 14, 2020-9am
2101 E. Calvada Blvd. Suite 100
PAHRUMP, NEVADA 89048

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MEETING PROTOCOL:

Agenda: All items are approximate except for public hearings and any other item agenized at a specific time. Items on the agenda without a time designation may be taken out of order. The Board may combine two or more agenda items for consideration. The Board may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item on the agenda at any time. Items on the agenda without a time designation may not necessarily be considered in the order in which they appear on the agenda.

Speakers must come forward to the microphone, begin testimony by clearly stating their name, and direct all questions and comments to the Chairperson. The Chairperson will then direct the questions to the appropriate individual. Please avoid repeating testimony that has already been provided and be brief and to the point. Discussions on an item will be closed if they become long-winded, repetitious, or if members in support or opposition become rude. As a courtesy to all persons, please turn-off or set to a silent mode all cell-phones or pagers.

Public Comment periods are scheduled at the beginning and end of the meeting agenda with a time limit of up to three minutes per person. Additionally, public comment of up to three minutes per person may be heard during individual agenda items. The Board reserves the right to reduce the time or limit the total time allowed for public comment. The Board may prohibit comment if the content of the comments is a topic that is not relevant to, or within the authority of the Board, or if the content of the comments is willfully disruptive of the meeting by being irrelevant, repetitious, slanderous, offensive, inflammatory, irrational or amounting to personal attacks or interfering with the rights of other speakers. Persons are also invited to submit comments in writing on the agenda items.

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The Nye County Water District is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.
1. Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance

2. Roll Call

3. Mission Statement – “Provide, protect and preserve water resources within Nye County.”

4. General Public Comment (first) - (Up to three-minute time limit per person) - Action will not be taken on the matters considered during this period until specifically included on an agenda as an action item.

5. Approval or modifications of the Agenda for the Water District Meeting of December 14, 2020. (Non-action item)

6. For Possible Action - Discussion, deliberation and decision regarding approval of Minutes for October 26, 2020.

7. Water District Governing Board Member / General Manager Comments (This item limited to announcements or topic/issues proposed for future workshops/agendas).

8. Ex-Parte Communications and Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statements

9. TIMED ITEM – 09:00 AM For Possible Action – Presentation, discussion, deliberation and decision regarding review and approval of the 2020 Nye County Water District Audit presented by Savannah Rucker, Nye County Comptroller.

10. For Possible Action – Discussion deliberation and decision on:
   1. Nye County Water District FY 2021 Project Budget augmentation for the Nye County Water District Governing Board approved Spring Mountain Cloud Seeding project to be completed by Desert Research in Fiscal Year 2021 in the total amount of $35,950. Total to be invoiced in 4 parts: Task 1, Preseason Setup, $8,950. Task 2, Forecasting Operations and Equipment Maintenance, invoiced: $9,000 on 12/1/2020, $9,000 on 2/1/2021 and $9,000 on 4/1/2021.

   2. Approval of the agreement between the Nye County Water District and the Board of Regents of the Nevada System of Higher Education on behalf of the Desert Research Institute, to prepare, maintain and operate a cloud seeding generator in the Spring Mountains for a period from 10/21/2020 to 7/31/2021.

11. For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation and decision regarding changing the 2012 Bylaws of the Governing Board of the Nye County Water District Page 5-section 3 c (Legal Counsel), to read “The Nye County District Attorney or its designee may be legal counsel to the Governing Board”.

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12. **For Possible Action** – Presentation, discussion, deliberation and decision regarding adoption of the updated Nye County Water District Personnel Policy Manual from the POOL/PACT annual update for Small Organization Personnel Policies (less than 15 employees) 2020.

13. **District Member, Staff and Liaison Reports/Comments:**

   a. **Finances**
      I. Savannah Rucker

   b. **Board Reports**
      I. LVVWD/SNWA
      II. CNRWA – Commissioner Debra Strickland

   c. **Staff Reports**
      I. Oz Wichman
      II. John Klenke
      III. Christal Behrends

   d. **Projects Status Report**
      I. Staff

   e. **Board Liaison Reports**
      I. Commissioner Debra Strickland

   f. Report from other individuals, groups and or agencies regarding water-related Issues; for informational purposes only.

14. **For Possible Action- Discussion** concerning future Water District Governing Board meetings including, a meeting schedule for 2021 with proposed meeting dates of:

   - Monday, February 22, 2021
   - Monday, May 24, 2021
   - Monday, July 26, 2021 (Tonopah)

15. **General Public Comment (Second)**

16. **Adjourn**
DECLARATION OF POSTING

STATE OF NEVADA

COUNTY OF NYE

The undersigned deposes and says: That she is over the age of 21 years; that she posted at the places below mentioned, the Agenda for the Nye County Water District Governing Board Meeting for December 14, 2020 not later than 9:00 a.m. on December 9, 2020.

Name: Christal Behrends
Signature:
Title: Administrative Assistant

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Nye County Water District: www.nyecountywaterdistrict.net