



Board Action Item

MEETING DATE:	09/20/2018
AGENDA ITEM:	5 A
PRESENTER:	Bob Arbuthnot
SUBJECT:	Chairman's report

1. I Attended the WIFA coordination meetings with EUSI on 8/23, 8/29, 9/13. During the WIFA meetings there was a lot of engineering approach discussion between the District Manager and the District Engineer as we review each area slated for new pipelines. These discussions have resulted in a slight shift in priority for projects as they identify areas where the overall system can be improved. Specifics on this topic were covered in the study session and there is an agenda item for approval at this meeting.
2. I Attended the August 18 public meeting with the Pinewood Haven and Rim Vista subdivision residents. Introduced Cato and Brandon as District Manager and Engineer of Record. The District Manager will cover the meeting feedback from citizens in his report.
3. Consulted with the Treasurer and the District Manager on the IT vender contract, reviewed the present contract and proposal from current vender. The District Manager stated that the vender told him that our contract precluded us from looking for other providers. We decided to terminate that contract and are continuing to look for alternative providers as there is no contract clause that's prevents us from doing so. Ms. Hillman identified a SAVER vender, "SHI" that provides IT solutions on the Arizona State Contract via a contract with the City of Mesa and Maricopa County. I participated in a conference call with their State Representative and a Sales Engineer on Friday 9/14 to start to scope our requirements and get a cost figure from them. The Treasurer has another vender conference scheduled for September 19 with "CDW•G" to get them to provide us with costs numbers.
4. Did a site visit on the Strawberry Knowles project on September 13. Progress appears to be good on this job with a lot less conflicts with other lines than on the Pine Creek job.
5. Sat in on an Engineering vender's for on call services interview with our WIFA project guys (EUSI) on September 13 with Sunrise engineering.

6. I took a look at the lighting situation at the office parking area and spoke with Mr. Esquivel about it. As the season has changed into Fall access lighting in the parking lot has become a safety problem. This issue should be addressed by the meeting time.

7. The Vice Chairman, Treasurer, District Manager, me, and Paul Hendrix met for lunch last week and talked about some project items prior to the Thursday meeting and also about getting a supervisory person to run the field operations and getting someone that could also provide some construction oversight on project work.