



Board Action Item

MEETING DATE:	03/28/2019
AGENDA ITEM:	5 B
PRESENTER:	Bob Arbuthnot
SUBJECT:	Chairman's Report

1. The Professional Engineer's Report (PER) reviewed by the EUSI, me, Sharon Hillman, and Forrest McCoy on March 7, 2018. Brandon Squire, our district engineer took our input and assured us that the PER will be completed by the end of April. The completed PER will be used to pursue grant funding for further replacement and improvement work to our system.
2. On the same date, we conducted a conference call with Mr. Mark Reader, Mr. Michael Califso, and Kenneth Chereveka to discuss financing options for the District. The District has very little to no room to carry further debt until we pay of the Compass Bank loan in 2025, therefore they were unable to offer us any help in this area.
3. I attended the Pretrial Hearing for Rebecca Sigeti in Globe on Monday. Her attorney said she had sent the AGA a letter asking for "mitigation" for the plea agreement. The prosecutor said she was not taking prison time off the plea agreement. The judge told them to be in court on Monday at 1:30 PM in Payson for a last attempt to settle the plea agreement and he said that the trial date for April 2 is still in effect and that we will go to trial if no plea agreement is made. Ms. Sigeti stated that she had paid the victims back but the prosecutor stated that she could not find any proof of that and we know she has not paid us back for certain. Sharon will have attended the hearing in Payson by board meeting time and can report on that event as I am out of pocket until the 28th of March.
4. I received an email from a customer asking to have board time to get an issue with a meter location issue. Mr. Esquivel was able to resolve the issue with the customer although there may be further complications due to county requirements. Mr. Esquivel can provide more detail if needed.
5. Mr. Esquivel has been our District Manager for a year now and I will be seeking input from the board regarding his contributions to our organization. I plan to call each board member, compile the feedback, and then either schedule an executive session to talk with Cato as a board.