

HOLLEY NAVARRE WATER SYSTEM
ANNUAL BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 16, 2018
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PRESENT AT MEETING:

- BIEN MAY, PRESIDENT
- JAMES CALKINS, VICE PRESIDENT
- GAIUS BRUCE, SECRETARY
- TREASURER
- ROBERT COLEY, DIRECTOR
- RICKI DESANTIS, DIRECTOR
- TROY BOSSIER, DIRECTOR
- MARK MILLER, DIRECTOR
- PAUL GARDNER, GM, HNWS
- BARBARA CARAWAN, OFFICE MANAGER
- PHIL PHILLIPS, MESI
- CORY SNYDER, MESI
- DALE LONG, MESI
- CLINTON WELLS, HNWS
- ZACH LEWIS, HNWS
- SHERRY DEVASHER, HNWS, HUMAN RESOURCES
- DANNY HAWKINS, HNWS

ALSO PRESENT:

- MIKE TIDWELL, ESQUIRE
- DOUG TIDWELL, ESQUIRE
- DEBORAH KHARUF, COURT REPORTER

- TAPPIE VILLANE, ELECTION SUPERVISOR

- DAYNA ALDRICH, ROBERT PETERZEN,
- GEO MAYER, CHRIS LEGG, BRYAN DUNCAN,
- WILL GOULET, DARYL LYNCHARD, KEN WALKER,
- HEATHER SCRUGGS, DANIEL SCRUGGS,
- CHARLES SHIRAH, DOUG LARSON,
- JOSH TITTLE, JENNIFER TWEEDY,
- JAMES DOWD, GERARD BROWN, TJ GOULET,
- JAMES KENNEDY, TRUDIE CHILDERS,

- ROMI WHITE, SOUTH SANTA ROSA NEWS
- SANDI KEMP, NAVARRE PRESS
- RANDY MEREDITH, NAVARRE NEWS

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2 MR. MAY: We are going to call the meeting
3 back into recess --

4 MR. GARDNER: Back out of recess.

5 MR. MAY: Back out of recess, rather.
6 We are going to call the meeting back out of recess and
7 the voting has closed.

8 All right. I would like to -- Barb, do
9 you have the number of members present?

10 MS. CARAWAN: 23.

11 MR. MAY: 23. Thank you. Do we have the
12 proof of the notice of the meeting? Paul?

13 MR. GARDNER: We do. It ran in Navarre
14 Press.

15 MR. MAY: Okay. All right. First on
16 the -- next on the agenda is to approve the January 2017
17 Annual Meeting Minutes. Has everybody had a chance to
18 review the meeting minutes?

19 MR. CALKINS: I make a motion to approve.

20 MR. MAY: We have got a motion. Do I hear
21 a second?

22 MR. COLEY: I will second.

23 MR. MAY: Got a second. Any discussion?

24 (NO AUDIBLE RESPONSE.)

25 MR. MAY: All those in favor say "Aye"?

1 MR. COLEY: Aye.

2 MR. CALKINS: Aye.

3 MR. BOSSIER: Aye.

4 MR. DESANTIS: Aye.

5 MR. BRUCE: Aye.

6 MR. MAY: All those opposed?

7 (NO AUDIBLE RESPONSE.)

8 MR. MAY: Motion carries.

9 MR. MILLER: For the record, I abstain.

10 MR. MAY: Very good. Thank you.

11 All right. Next on the agenda is a report

12 by the committee. Paul will read the Finance Report.

13 Paul?

14 MR. GARDNER: Those are all unedited, I
15 mean, unaudited numbers. We will begin our -- our audit
16 will begin soon and be completed in April.

17 For the year, 12 months of December 2017,
18 we had a total revenue of \$8,999,910.84. We had expenses
19 of \$9,530,178.60. Like I say, those -- that's a total
20 loss of \$530,267. That's unaudited numbers, and that
21 number is mainly like that because of some -- what am I
22 trying to say -- depreciation of some meters that were
23 depreciated years ago.

24 And when we took them out of the ground,
25 it showed up as over a million dollars on the books where

1 it's not really cash. But at the end of the year, we
2 have put \$1.5 million dollars in the bank this year.

3 MR. MAY: All right. Thank you, Paul.

4 All right. I will entertain a motion to
5 approve the financials as presented.

6 MR. DESANTIS: Mr. President, do you want
7 to put forth any questions to it?

8 MR. MAY: We can go to discussion after.

9 MR. DESANTIS: Okay.

10 MR. COLEY: I make a motion to approve the
11 financial report.

12 MR. DESANTIS: I will second it.

13 MR. MAY: I have got a motion and a
14 second. Now, discussion.

15 MR. DESANTIS: The breakdown of the
16 meters, Paul, one simple question --

17 MR. GARDNER: Yes, sir.

18 MR. DESANTIS: -- was this a one-time
19 adjustment entry?

20 MR. GARDNER: It is.

21 MR. DESANTIS: Okay.

22 MR. GARDNER: It was. Years ago, the
23 meters that were -- the usable life was set at 40 years.
24 And there's not a meter that lasts 40 years. Well, back
25 then, there wasn't.

1 When we took the new ones, put the new
2 ones in, the other ones still had, like, 20 years of life
3 left on them, so that showed as a loss when we sold them
4 for scrap, so -- but that's been adjusted in the --

5 MR. DESANTIS: P&L.

6 MR. GARDNER: -- books and stuff, yeah, so
7 that's not going to happen again.

8 MR. DESANTIS: Thank you.

9 MR. MAY: All right. Any further
10 questions? Any other discussion?

11 (NO AUDIBLE RESPONSE.)

12 MR. MAY: Okay. All those in favor say
13 "Aye"?

14 MR. COLEY: Aye.

15 MR. CALKINS: Aye.

16 MR. BRUCE: Aye.

17 MR. BOSSIER: Aye.

18 MR. MILLER: Aye.

19 MR. DESANTIS: Aye.

20 MR. MAY: All those opposed?

21 (NO AUDIBLE RESPONSE.)

22 MR. MAY: Motion carries. Next on the
23 agenda is the Personnel Chair Report. Director Robert
24 Coley?

25 MR. COLEY: Okay. There are a couple of

1 items of importance to the -- potentially to the new
2 Board and to our members that are present.

3 I will not reveal the names of the persons
4 involved, but there are two personnel complaints that
5 have been filed within the last two months.

6 One involves an employee complaint against
7 a sitting Board member, alleging harassment and creation
8 of a hostile work environment.

9 The other involves a former Director's
10 complaint against an employee with multiple allegations.

11 The Board voted to hire a labor attorney
12 to look into the complaints and defend the Board and the
13 company in these complaints and hopefully mediate a
14 resolution of both complaints.

15 This is something the new Board will have
16 to address forthwith in the new year.

17 MR. MAY: All right.

18 MR. COLEY: That's the end of my report.

19 MR. MAY: All right. Thank you, Robert.

20 All right. Engineer's Report? Phil?

21 MR. PHILLIPS: Short year-end report.

22 Holley Navarre sold 420 equivalent water connections
23 during the year for a total of about 126,000 gallons per
24 day of capacity.

25 They sold 427 equivalent sewer connections

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1 in 2017 or 128,000 gallons per day of sewage capacity.
2 One -- about \$1.5 million dollars in capital improvements
3 were made to the system related to increasing the
4 capacity of the system in some way.

5 About a million and a half dollars were
6 spent in capital improvements for operation and
7 maintenance-type improvements or upgrades that don't
8 necessarily increase capacity, but increase service life
9 or service ability.

10 Everyone knows Holley Navarre has their
11 own crews and they do a lot of the operation and
12 maintenance in-house that might otherwise be contracted
13 out at a greater price. We don't quantify that, but we
14 do quantify the amount of low pressure sewer that was
15 installed by the crews, and that linear footage was about
16 5,400 linear feet in 2017.

17 MR. MAY: Very good. Any questions for
18 our engineer -- engineers, plural.

19 MR. DESANTIS: With regards to those
20 capital expenditures, anything outside the norm worth
21 mentioning or basically within the capital operating
22 budgets?

23 MR. PHILLIPS: No. Everything was in was
24 in the approved budget. And, in fact, I will run down
25 the list a little bit, if you -- I won't mention

1 everything, but just the -- let's start with the capital
2 improvements for capacity.

3 Everyone knows the Highway lift -- the
4 Panhandle Lift Station is just about complete. That was
5 a large component. The miscellaneous wastewater
6 extensions that we do, that cost is capitalized. That
7 was about a quarter of a million dollars.

8 The -- there's some engineering that was
9 done on the interim re-use solution. We have got --
10 let's see what else -- that was the -- that is the major
11 components of what was spent on the capacity increase
12 side.

13 On the operation and maintenance projects,
14 money was spent for inflow and infiltration. Everyone
15 knows that's a big problem that we have right now.
16 Panhandle Lift Station, we already mentioned, that's an
17 OM project for us.

18 General lift station and the repairs
19 throughout the system was about \$50,000. Everyone knows
20 that we added SCADA to the lift stations that did not
21 already have control so that they could monitor flow to
22 figure out where our I&I problem was.

23 That was originally going to be about a
24 \$300,000 project. The staff found a way to do it for
25 \$100,000. There's new connections for sewer taps that's

1 part of that million and a half dollars.

2 There was some effluent forced main
3 replaced -- oh, excuse me -- general wastewater treatment
4 plant repairs about \$100,000 of the \$1.5 million.

5 The Flexnet System was completed in 2017.
6 There is about \$130,000 worth of new connections cost
7 related to people buying taps and us having to install
8 meters or service lines.

9 About \$50,000 worth of trucks and other
10 equipment and about \$16,000 worth of general office
11 equipment that Holley Navarre had to purchase. So that's
12 generally the items.

13 And, yes, Greskovich, I did not mention
14 Greskovich on the other one.

15 MR. DESANTIS: Very good, Phil. Thank
16 you.

17 MR. MAY: All right. Thank you, Phil.

18 All right. Next on the agenda is going to
19 be the election results. Before we do that, I would like
20 to say thank you to Tappie. Thank you for you and staff
21 coming in and conducting elections, so thank you.

22 (APPLAUSE.)

23 MR. MAY: So without further adieu, we
24 have the election results. Gaius will read them to us.

25 MR. BRUCE: Troy Bossier, 533 votes.

1 Gaius Bruce -- I'm sorry -- 633 votes, Troy. I didn't
2 mean to miss you there.

3 Gaius Bruce, 613 votes.

4 William Goulet, 963 votes.

5 Daryl Lynchard, 970 votes.

6 Mark Miller, 648 votes.

7 Under votes, 937.

8 Total votes, 4,764.

9 MR. MAY: All right. Thank you very much.

10 So I need to entertain a motion to accept the election
11 results as presented?

12 MR. CALKINS: I make a motion to accept
13 the election results.

14 MR. MAY: Do I have a second?

15 MR. DESANTIS: Second.

16 MR. MAY: I have a second. Any
17 discussion?

18 (NO AUDIBLE RESPONSE.)

19 MR. MAY: All right. All those in favor
20 say "Aye"?

21 MR. CALKINS: Aye.

22 MR. COLEY: Aye.

23 MR. BOSSIER: Aye.

24 MR. BRUCE: Aye.

25 MR. DESANTIS: Aye.

1 MR. MILLER: Aye.

2 MR. MAY: All those opposed?

3 (NO AUDIBLE RESPONSE.)

4 MR. MAY: All right. Next on the agenda
5 is unfinished business.

6 MR. COLEY: Mr. Chairman, I would like to
7 make a statement if I could right now?

8 MR. MAY: Yes. Go ahead, Director Coley.

9 MR. COLEY: Okay. Over the last 16 years,
10 I have lived in Navarre and I have served my community in
11 various capacities. I was President of the Navarre Beach
12 Leaseholders Association. I was President of Navarre
13 Beach Fire Department. I was President and still serve
14 as Treasurer of the Navarre Towers Condo Association.

15 I was also President of Safe Harbor Condo
16 Association where my present water tap is located. In
17 each case, our board operated as a cohesive unit with a
18 high degree of teamwork under my leadership. We served
19 our community well.

20 Over the last year on this Board, it's
21 been one political situation after another orchestrated
22 by James Calkins. The personal attacks and underhanded
23 actions of Calkins and Desantis have gone beyond the
24 bounds of decency. I cannot and will not serve another
25 day in this atmosphere. I resign effective with

1 adjournment of this meeting.

2 I have great confidence that Will Goulet
3 and Daryl Lynchard will work hard to serve the members of
4 Holley Navarre Water System, and I wish you God speed.

5 (DIRECTOR COLEY STEPS DOWN FROM THE DIAS.)

6 MR. MAY: All right. With that being
7 said, I too am going to resign my position in this Water
8 System. The attacks that have happened over the past six
9 months at the hands of some of these Board members is
10 shameful. Okay.

11 It's put great stress on my family and I
12 have to do what is right. The one thing that I hope with
13 this resignation that it will stop the attacks on the
14 staff of this Water System, the management. The
15 employees should not be under attack for politics.

16 And I sincerely hope that they will stop,
17 so I am going to step down at this time.

18 I do have a letter. I will leave them up
19 here if anybody would like to see them.

20 (PRESIDENT MAY GIVING UP CHAIR.)

21 Go ahead, James, I know you are waiting
22 for it.

23 (PRESIDENT MAY STEPS DOWN FROM THE DIAS.)

24 MR. BOSSIER: Mr. President --

25 MR. MAY: I am not President anymore.

1 MR. BOSSIER: Whoever it may be that
2 presides. I have spent six years trying to serve the
3 Water System and the community. And it has been a great
4 pleasure to work with the guys here at the Water Company
5 and the ladies.

6 And by no means is this a swamp. I know
7 there's been signs put out there and stuff indicating
8 such. And the only swamp is those people taking care of
9 our swamp every time we flush our toilets.

10 And they have been attacked. And it is
11 just shameful that these guys have to -- these guys and
12 ladies have to put up with the politics of an unpaid
13 position. It's just shameful.

14 And at this point, I was unseated, anyway,
15 but I have every indication -- had I been the third
16 spot -- to resign. It's been a pleasure to serve with
17 you guys and I thank you.

18 (MR. BOSSIER STEPS DOWN FROM THE DIAS.)

19 MR. CALKINS: Thank you, Troy. And I
20 would like to ask Will Goulet and Daryl Lynchard to step
21 up to the podium.

22 And I thank y'all for your service. And
23 we thank Bien and Robert also for their service to the
24 Holley Navarre Water System Board.

25 (APPLAUSE.)

1 (DIRECTOR GAIUS BRUCE STEPS DOWN FROM THE
2 DIAS.)

3 MR. CALKINS: Okay. And I would also like
4 to welcome Mark Miller again. He was now elected. And I
5 would like to welcome you to the Board. Congratulations.

6 (APPLAUSE.)

7 MR. MILLER: Thank you.

8 MR. CALKINS: Congratulations to Will
9 Goulet and Daryl Lynchard, also.

10 (APPLAUSE.)

11 MR. CALKINS: I would like to call now the
12 election of the officers.

13 MR. LYNCHARD: I make a motion, James
14 Calkins for President.

15 MR. CALKINS: Okay. We have a motion. Do
16 we have a second?

17 MR. GOULET: I second the motion.

18 MR. LYNCHARD: Well, I think we are
19 supposed to -- is there anybody else?

20 MR. DESANTIS: I will second that motion.

21 MR. LYNCHARD: Is that the proper --

22 MR. CALKINS: Is there a -- okay -- is
23 there any other nominations --

24 MR. LYNCHARD: There you go.

25 MR. CALKINS: -- to the Board?

1 (NO AUDIBLE RESPONSE.)

2 MR. CALKINS: Okay. All those --

3 MR. LYNCHARD: I make a motion we close
4 the nominations, Mr. President.

5 MR. CALKINS: Okay. I make a motion that
6 we close the nominations.

7 MR. LYNCHARD: Second.

8 MR. CALKINS: All those in favor say
9 "Aye"?

10 MR. LYNCHARD: Aye.

11 MR. DESANTIS: Aye.

12 MR. GOULET: Aye.

13 MR. CALKINS: Aye.

14 Okay. Election of --

15 MR. MILLER: I am going to abstain from
16 the vote. I am going to abstain from that vote.

17 MR. CALKINS: Okay.

18 MR. LYNCHARD: Okay.

19 MR. CALKINS: We have an election for Vice
20 President. Do I have a motion for the Vice President?

21 MR. LYNCHARD: I nominate Will Goulet for
22 Vice President.

23 MR. DESANTIS: I will second that motion.

24 MR. CALKINS: Okay. All those in favor
25 say "Aye"?

1 MR. DESANTIS: Aye.

2 MR. MILLER: Aye.

3 MR. LYNCHARD: Aye.

4 MR. GOULET: Aye.

5 MR. CALKINS: Okay. And do we have a
6 nomination for Secretary Treasurer?

7 MR. GOULET: I would like to nominate Doug
8 Larson as Secretary Treasurer of the Board, according to
9 the bylaws.

10 MR. CALKINS: Okay. Do we have a second?

11 MR. LYNCHARD: I will second it.

12 MR. MILLER: Point of order? Is Doug
13 Larson a current sitting Board member? Or do they have
14 to be?

15 MR. DESANTIS: The bylaws stipulate --

16 MR. GOULET: -- Secretary Treasurer can be
17 a member at large. They don't have to be a Board member
18 in the by-laws.

19 MR. MILLER: Okay.

20 MR. CALKINS: Okay. All those in favor
21 say "Aye"?

22 MR. DESANTIS: Aye.

23 MR. GOULET: Aye.

24 MR. LYNCHARD: Aye.

25 MR. CALKINS: Nomination for --

1 MR. MILLER: Nay.

2 MR. CALKINS: Okay.

3 MR. MILLER: Nay. I would prefer it to be
4 a sitting Board member.

5 MR. CALKINS: Okay. Nomination for
6 Finance Chair. Do we have a nomination for Finance
7 Chair? Do you want to hold off on that?

8 MR. LYNCHARD: I make a motion to nominate
9 Ricki Desantis for Finance Chair.

10 MR. CALKINS: Do we have a second for
11 Finance Chair?

12 MR. GOULET: I second that motion.

13 MR. CALKINS: Okay. All those in favor
14 say "Aye"?

15 MR. DESANTIS: Aye.

16 MR. MILLER: Aye.

17 MR. GOULET: Aye.

18 MR. LYNCHARD: Aye.

19 MR. CALKINS: Okay. Personnel Chair. Do
20 we have a motion for Personnel Chair?

21 MR. GOULET: I make a motion to recommend
22 Daryl Lynchard for Personnel Chair.

23 MR. DESANTIS: I will second that motion.

24 MR. CALKINS: All those in favor say
25 "Aye"?

1 MR. DESANTIS: Aye.

2 MR. MILLER: Aye.

3 MR. GOULET: Aye.

4 MR. LYNCHARD: Aye.

5 MR. CALKINS: Okay. We currently have a
6 vacancy on Fairpoint Board of Directors. Do we have a
7 nomination for the Fairpoint Board of Directors?

8 MR. DESANTIS: I would like to nominate
9 Daryl and Will.

10 MR. CALKINS: We are just going to have
11 one right now.

12 MR. LYNCHARD: One. I would nominate
13 Will.

14 MR. DESANTIS: Okay. I would like to
15 nominate Will.

16 MR. LYNCHARD: I will second it.

17 MR. CALKINS: All those in favor say
18 "Aye"?

19 MR. GOULET: Aye.

20 MR. LYNCHARD: Aye.

21 MR. DESANTIS: Aye.

22 MR. MILLER: Aye.

23 MR. CALKINS: Motion passes. Okay.

24 We are now going to go into the attorneys.
25 Are we going to do anything --

1 MR. LYNCHARD: No.

2 MR. CALKINS: All right. Now we are going
3 to go into the minutes and transcripts. Do we have any
4 motions regarding the transcripts?

5 MR. TJ GOULET: James, are you going to
6 seat the secretary?

7 MR. CALKINS: Yes. Mr. Secretary, can you
8 please be seated?

9 MR. LARSON: I will sit at the table since
10 I am not a Board member.

11 (MR. LARSON IS SEATED AT TABLE.)

12 MR. CALKINS: Thanks, TJ.

13 MR. LYNCHARD: Mr. President, I think,
14 going along with your motion, I would like to make a
15 motion that, you know, in essence of transparency, which
16 is what we have been trying to accomplish, myself and
17 Will, I would like to make a motion that the unredacted
18 transcripts of all open Board meetings be posted online
19 within 24 hours of approval by the Board.

20 And any other Board meetings -- that the
21 only redactions made to them be for sensitive personnel
22 matters and those be posted online, also.

23 MR. DESANTIS: I would like to second that
24 motion, Mr. President.

25 MR. CALKINS: Okay. We have a motion and

1 a second. Is there any discussion?

2 (NO AUDIBLE RESPONSE.)

3 MR. CALKINS: All those in favor say
4 "Aye"?

5 MR. GOULET: Aye.

6 MR. LYNCHARD: Aye.

7 MR. DESANTIS: Aye.

8 MR. MILLER: Aye.

9 MR. CALKINS: Motion passes. Is there any
10 other things to be added to the agenda?

11 MR. DESANTIS: Yes, Mr. President, I would
12 like to thank a few people, the members, first and
13 foremost. I want to thank you, everyone, for your
14 participation, your involvement in this election. It was
15 you.

16 Everything that is happening here tonight
17 is you. This is your community. This is your utility
18 service company. This is you.

19 I would also like to mention several
20 people who truly stood out in their involvement,
21 dedication. Geo, I would like to thank you. Micky, I
22 would like to thank you. Romi, Sandy, TJ, James Dabney,
23 Bryan Duncan, Doug Larson, the Tea Party patriots, Debbie
24 Gunnoe, Carmen Reynolds, and Melanie, who is not here
25 tonight.

1 And I apologize to anyone and everyone
2 that I may have -- I apologize to anyone that I may have
3 forgotten here, but I truly want to thank you. Because
4 this is yours. You are the members. This is your
5 utility.

6 We are here for the members. We are here
7 for the community. We need your involvement. We need
8 this attendance at every meeting, and, hopefully, these
9 meetings will be a lot more enjoyable. With that, thank
10 you.

11 MR. CALKINS: Thank you. Any other
12 statements by any Board members?

13 MR. LYNCHARD: I would just like to add
14 that there has been -- this has been quite a contentious
15 election. There's been a lot of misinformation out there
16 about things that me personally and Will have been
17 planning to do -- come in and fire everybody and close
18 the golf course down and everything else. That's
19 completely untrue.

20 We had no intentions of ever doing
21 anything like that and don't plan on doing anything like
22 that. We wanted to get back on the Board to try and
23 help -- help Holley Navarre Water System and make this
24 place prosper, not come in and tear it down, which is
25 what I think a lot of people were thinking.

1 I know that some of the employees that I
2 knew personally as friends had told me that had been
3 going around the System. And I just want to make sure
4 that everybody knows that that's not true in any way,
5 shape, or form.

6 And I just want to reassure the employees,
7 because you are the guys that make this place work. We
8 are nothing without y'all. So thank you.

9 MR. CALKINS: Thank you, Daryl. Anybody
10 else?

11 MR. MILLER: Yeah. Daryl, since you do
12 mention the amount of controversy and untrue information
13 that was spread out there, I would like to mention just a
14 few things that were either said or implied throughout
15 the campaign about a couple of sitting Board -- prior
16 sitting Board members.

17 First of all, it was implied that Gaius
18 Bruce is against prayer. And I would like to say that
19 that is -- there is no truth to that at all. Gaius -- at
20 several events I have been to -- has lead the group in
21 prayer, so, you know, to say that he is not a prayerful
22 man is just not true.

23 To say that he sleeps during meetings is
24 also not true. Gaius sometimes closes his eyes to help
25 focus on what people are saying, especially when those

1 conversations ran on and on and on during those meetings.
2 And, if anything, he is pondering his thoughts, and then,
3 when he reopened his eyes, he very often says the
4 smartest thing in the room. So those things said about
5 Gaius are not true.

6 Troy Bossier, it was -- actually, there
7 were signs that were presented that called him a racist.
8 That's the furthest thing from the truth. Troy has a
9 multiracial family and is not racist in any way. And the
10 decisions that he made, he made with the best interest of
11 this Water Board in mind.

12 And I also think it's a shame that Bien
13 and Robert, who are also very good men and had the best
14 interest of the Water Board, were put in a position where
15 they just couldn't continue and have the attacks on their
16 families made.

17 So I do think there were a lot of very
18 shameful things that happened in this election. It is
19 what it is. The members have spoken.

20 And we have a Board now. And I hope we
21 can move forward and try to stay positive and put all of
22 this negativity behind us. That's all I have to say.

23 MR. CALKINS: Thank you, Mark.

24 MR. DESANTIS: And if I may, Mr.

25 President, I just want to sum things up, because it is

1 now the future. It's taken a long time to get here. We
2 are here. Let's move forward. Let's go into the future.

3 And, again, it's about the employees.

4 It's about the members. And it's about this community.

5 And every Board member has to remember that. Thank you.

6 MR. CALKINS: Thank you. Any other
7 comments from the Board?

8 (NO AUDIBLE RESPONSE.)

9 MR. CALKINS: We are going to go into open
10 forum now. Any comments from the public?

11 TJ Goulet?

12 MR. TJ GOULET: 7774 Navarre Parkway --

13 MR. MILLER: Should we do this from the
14 podium?

15 MR. CALKINS: Yeah. Yeah. Please go to
16 the podium.

17 MR. GARDNER: I think everybody can hear
18 TJ.

19 MR. TJ GOULET: I will be brief. I have
20 worked -- I have worked for the Water Company in various
21 capacities for five years. I have seen a lot of things,
22 good and bad.

23 My involvement in this election --
24 obviously, Will is my brother, in case you don't know.
25 And I would support him no matter what, but wouldn't

1 support him as vigorously if I didn't think that his spot
2 on the Board would be worthwhile to the community.

3 My concern is that as a business owner.
4 As the President and CEO of the Greater Navarre Chamber
5 of Commerce representing 100 businesses in this
6 community, I have stated this online. I have stated this
7 to anybody that will listen to me. The Navarre community
8 cannot thrive unless this entity is successful at
9 bringing us water and taking away the used water. It's
10 as simple as that.

11 If we can't get water, if we can't get
12 sewer, if we can't have fire safety, if we can't grow our
13 community, if we can't do that, we can't build houses.
14 We can't build apartments. We can't build businesses.
15 And we die.

16 All right. And it is as simple as that.
17 We had a 17 and a half percent rate increase about a year
18 ago. A lot of things were said about what that money was
19 going to go to. I am often wondering, what did that
20 money actually go to? Where is that money?

21 Not making an accusation of impropriety,
22 simply stating that that's a lot of money -- that's a
23 huge increase and we have to see results.

24 Because 12 months from now, if we don't
25 get results, we will gladly vote you off and replace you

1 with people that will get results.

2 Yes. This was a contentious election as
3 elections have seemed to become. Some things were said
4 that I don't agree with. Some things were said about me
5 that simply weren't true. That's all in the past.

6 Right now, we are looking to you to help
7 us grow Navarre, keep Navarre growing, keep Navarre
8 successful, and build on what this Water System has done
9 for the last 45 years.

10 All right. And we are going to watch you
11 very closely. I am looking forward to having the minutes
12 online. I know some of the Board members have talked
13 about streaming these meetings so that more people can be
14 involved and more people can be aware. I am excited
15 about that idea as well.

16 If the County can accomplish that, I am
17 certain that we can accomplish it. So, in that, I give
18 you my wholeheartedly support. I am available to any of
19 you to speak at any time about what I think this
20 community needs, and I look forward to the next year
21 being a great year for Navarre. So thank you very much.

22 MR. CALKINS: Thank you, TJ.

23 I would also like to ask -- are we going
24 to bring up the Fairpoint issue now?

25 MR. DESANTIS: The debt?

1 MR. LYNCHARD: It's a dead issue.

2 MR. CALKINS: Yeah. Well, we never
3 officially voted it down. So I would like to add that,
4 the Fairpoint issue.

5 MR. DESANTIS: I would like to make that
6 motion, Mr. President.

7 MR. MILLER: To tonight's agenda?

8 MR. CALKINS: Yeah. We didn't officially
9 vote it down. Would you want to postpone that?

10 MR. MILLER: Mr. President, I don't think
11 you need to add an agenda item that new Board members are
12 not up to speed on.

13 MR. CALKINS: Okay. Well, we will
14 postpone that, but that's something we have got to get
15 done with the Fairpoint refinancing issue.

16 Okay. Is there anything else?

17 (NO AUDIBLE RESPONSE.)

18 MR. CALKINS: Okay. I would also like to
19 say thank you for everybody coming out here. Thank you.
20 We care about our employees. We are going to do
21 everything we can to bring the morale of this company
22 back.

23 Because what has happened is there has
24 been a lot of -- this has been a big battle. It was like
25 the Trump/Hillary thing. I mean, everybody was fighting

1 back and forth.

2 But what we want to do is we want to end
3 that, turn this company around, turn it all for the good
4 reasons, and we want to be positive. And we want to show
5 the community that we can be a transparent Board, an open
6 Board, that when people request information, they are
7 going to get it.

8 There is not going to be any more closed
9 meetings, closed room, back room deals. Everything is
10 going to be open and honest and fair and transparent.

11 So I want to close with that. Thank you
12 all for coming here.

13 MR. LYNCHARD: Did anyone else --

14 MR. CALKINS: Did anybody else want to
15 speak?

16 (NO RESPONSE.)

17 MR. LYNCHARD: No, I guess not.

18 MR. CALKINS: Okay. I will now adjourn
19 the meeting. Thank you.

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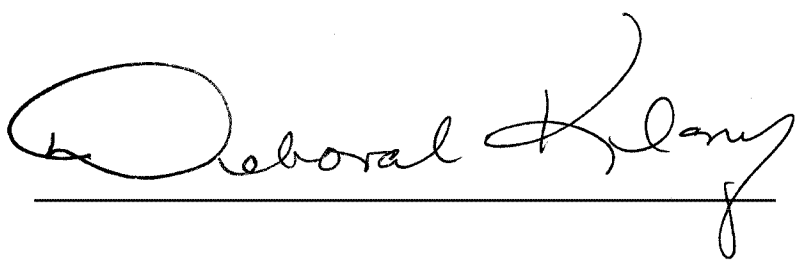
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