



***GAMERCO WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT MEETING
WEDNESDAY AUGUST 20TH, 2025 AT 6:00 PM
206 RAY AVE, GAMERCO, NEW MEXICO
MINUTES***

Proof of posting: Website, Community Boards located at the Gamerco Water and Sanitation Office and the Gamerco Post Office Community Board.

1. Call Meeting to Order- Neal called meeting to order at 6:00pm

2. Invocation:

3. Director roll call:

- **Neal Eastridge** **President- Present**
- **Jacob Day** **Vice President-Absent**
- **Antonia Estrada** **Director- Absent**
- **Mayna Benally** **Director - Present**
- **Rosa Garcia** **Director- Present**

4. Approval of last meetings minutes (7/16/25)

Neal motioned to approve last meetings minutes. Rosa seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Financial Reports: Anna Bond

Income- \$72,969.99

Cost of Goods - \$-75,456.96

Gross Profit- \$-2,486.97

Expense- \$-30,068.99

Net Income - \$-32,555.96

- Anna reported that in June \$75,666.85 was billed out and \$76,524.70 was collected. In July \$95,569.72 was billed out and only \$46,605.56 was collected. This was not enough to cover the bill from the city. The increase in rates from the City of Gallup caused the spike in the bill. Anna shared that in order for GWSD to make their payment to the city the rates to the customers had to be raised resulting in high bills for the community.

A. Status of 2022 and 2023 Audits

The auditor needs a few bills to complete the audits. Jason stated he would send Anna the paperwork. Anna informed the board that the auditor requests that the board fills out the memos for 2024 from the workday in July.

6. Report by Water Operator: Teresa Stevens

Neal gave report from Teresa. The water loss from leaks has decreased. Water usage is trending as normal. Bac-T samples came back as normal. Fire hydrants need to be flushed every 6 months. That would put flushing in October or November.

7. Field Foreman Report: Clint Slaughter

A. Weekly Reports

Clint reported that he has mowed the sides of the road. Clint asked the board if they would approve fixing property owners leak at 707 Portal. The board denied the request as that is property owners' responsibility. Clint stated he did not feel the owner will fix the leak. Daneal reported that she sent a letter to the owner stating the leak needs to be repaired and the trash in the yard needs to be addressed immediately.

8. Old Business:

A. New Well Project Funding Update (Audits)

The audits are still ongoing.

B. Update on City of Gallup Water Service Agreement. (Approval of Jason Sanchez to continue negotiating on Gumerco's Behalf)

Jason reported that the attorney advised GWSD Board to sign the latest revision to the agreement. The attorney stated that GWSD has no leverage to request lower rates as the City of Gallup has increased their other customers' rates as well. Neal motioned to approve Jason Sanchez to continue working on GWSD's behalf in negotiations with the attorney and the City of Gallup. Rosa seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

C. Community Dumpsters and Church Teams Update

GWSD offered 4 dumpster dates for the community. The first two dates GWSD rented the dumpsters from BS Enterprise who charged \$1800 per day. The last two GWSD rented the dumpsters from the City of Gallup. The City charged \$800 per day. The board discussed offering the dumpster once next year instead of four times.

D. Nuisance Properties Update

a. Letters to properties with individuals with excessive trash.

Daneal reported that she sent letters to 2 property owners who have excessive trash and one letter to owners of a vacant property near the current drug house.

E. Four-way stops, Speed limit signs updates.

Neal reported that several individuals have let him know that the speed limit signs on Chino have made a slight improvement to the speeding. Others have stated there are now some people slowing down and stopping due to the additional stop signs added. One individual requested speed bumps be added to Chino. Neal informed the public that GWSD cannot maintain or improve Chino as that is a county road.

9. New Business:

A. Hugo Cano- Tank Remediation.

Hugo Cano Procurement Agent presented a report for Tank Remediation Services. GWSD hired Hugo to collect bids from companies to clean, refinish, and bring the unused tank up to code. Hugo submitted advertisement in the Gallup Sun and worked with Daneal to put advertisement on the GWSD website. Three bids were received. Riley Industrial Services, Inc- \$1,395.00, TMI Coatings, LLC- \$1,120.00, and Clean Harbors- \$1,493.79. These bids are from companies out of Albuquerque and Farmington. These bids are rates per hour. Hugo informed the board that they could decide to award a multi-award. Awarding two or three awards instead of just one. Hugo recommended awarding Riley Industrial Services and TMI Coatings. Neal motioned to award Riley Industrial Services and TMI Coatings. Mayna seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Hugo informed the board that these contracts will be one base year but can extended up to 3 years resulting in a possible 4 year contract.

10. Board member comments: No board member comments.

11. Public comments:

- Customers addressed the board about the price of their water bill. The water bill has doubled this month from last month. The board informed the public that due to the changes in rate charges from the City of Gallup GWSD had no choice but to pass the cost off to the customers. There was an error in last month's bill from the City. This error overcharged GWSD. Once the agreement with the City is signed and the error is corrected customers should see lower bills.
- One customer had concerns over a large increase in usage of water from the previous month. Amber suggested getting their property look at for a leak. Clint stated that he could check the meter for a leak. Customer was advised to set up a day with the office to have Clint check for a leak.

12. Adjournment: Neal motioned to adjourn at 7:44pm