## OTEMWC Special Board of Directors Meeting Minutes February 3, 2021

The meeting was held virtually on Zoom to comply with Covid safety recommendations. George Silva called the meeting to order at 5:00PM. Board members participating: Hank Cook, Nancy Eckhous, Dennis Jorgensen, and George Silva. Mike Rhodes did not attend. David Mexico, the OTEMWC Watermaster, also participated.

## **Meeting Focus and Results**

This Zoom meeting was called to order at 5 p.m. by George Silva. Purpose of the meeting was to review recommendations included in the January 2021 Reserve Study prepared by Stone Mountain Corporation. Nancy Eckhous reported that reserve study recommended a significant increase in the reserve budget. The water company's current 2021 budget projected an annual reserve contribution of \$51,584. Stone Mountain recommends a reserve contribution of \$60,869.

Nancy presented different budget scenarios to reach this recommended reserve target.

Hank Cook moved that the water rates be increased to the following levels, effective January 1, 2021:

Base rate: \$178

Tier 1 up to 10,000 cubic feet: \$0.0124

Tier 2 > 10,000 cubic feet: \$0.0186

Tier 3 > 20,000 cubic feet: \$0.0217

Dennis Jorgensen seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed. Nancy will distribute an updated 2021 budget that reflects the new rates.

George Silva will distribute a one-paragraph recap of the reason for this increase to board members for reference in the event they receive questions from property owners.

## Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:30PM

Minutes provided by Dennis Jorgensen, respectfully submitted,

Mike Rhodes, Secretary