



Minutes

Special Meeting of the Board of Directors for Chandler Heights Citrus Irrigation District
26651 S. Valencia, Queen Creek, AZ
February 20, 2009

A public meeting of the Chandler Heights Citrus Irrigation District was convened on Friday February 20, 2009 at 26651 S Valencia Dr. The meeting was called to order at 1:00pm with Pat O'Malley, George Surbeck, Gene Rose, and Alfonso Garcia in attendance. Also present was Val Somebody from SomeCompany. Carlos Guerrero and Mike Parades joined the meeting in progress.

Folding Hoist

The hoist was not on the agenda but Gene Rose realized that Val was the contact he had been given for this product and asked for a quote for an electric hoist that folds down into the rear bumper of a pickup truck when not in use. The hoist has enough weight capacity to work with fire hydrants and large irrigation valves.

Valve Exerciser

Val demonstrated a Wachs valve exerciser that opens and closes water valves. This type of tool is very common in the water industry for annual maintenance operation of valves. It reduces the physical labor and chance of injury compared to manual operation, and also keeps track of the number of turns on the valve.

Many water utilities use hydraulically operated valve exercisers, but the unit Val demonstrated was electrically powered, which is more convenient for CHCID. The unit demonstrated was a slow speed unit capable of 800 ft-lb. of torque. There is a different model available from the same company that runs 1.7x faster, but only has 500 ft-lb of torque.

The Board and Alfonso agreed that the exerciser was interesting and might be very useful, but it was just too slow. CHCID might be interested in purchasing the higher speed unit, but not the slow one. The price of the exerciser is the same regardless of speed (about \$5,000).

Arrangements were made for Val to meet with Alfonso a few days later and bring a high speed exerciser for demonstration. No decision will be made until after Alfonso reports back to the Board about the high speed exerciser.

The meeting adjourned at 2:05 pm.

Pat O'Malley

George Surbeck

Gene Rose

Jollieen Williams (Recording Secretary)