## WYNOLA WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

## SECOND FISCAL QUARTER MEETING FISCAL YEAR 2001-2002

9:00 a.m., Saturday October 20, 2001 THE MITCHELL RESIDENCE 1449 SPRINGVIEW ROAD SANTA YSABEL, CA

Attendance: President Ellis called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. Those attending were George Ellis, President, Ray Mitchell, Vice President, Robert Gans, Pete Miller, and Robert Franke, Directors, Joyce Gans, Office Manager. Guests attending were: Malcolm Dyos, John Lofgreen, Dean Stowers, Jack McMahan, Bill Stovall, Charlie Woods, Paul Lewis, John Lutes, Albert Simonson, Ed Huffman, and student Albert Asmussen.

President Ellis extended a warm welcome to all our guests and thanked them for their interest in their community.

- 2. <u>Approval of Agenda</u>: A request to Ms. Gans to include the Minutes of the 8/23/01 Special Meeting in the next regular meeting agenda in January. Also, a request was made to change the current item b. of "Other New Business" to Water Board/CC&R Board Membership, and to make a new item c. for "Other New Business". A motion was made by Director Franke to accept the Agenda as amended and seconded by Director Miller. The motion passed.
- 3. <u>Approval of Minutes</u>: A correction of spelling of resident Norman Bild's name in item #6. A change from cu/ft to unit in item #7, and deletion of the second sentence in item #9. e. A motion to accept the minutes as amended was made by Director Mitchell and seconded by Director Gans. The motion passed.
- 4. <u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Director Gans presented the quarterly report of receipts and expenditures of the District. This included a discussion of the Draft Audit Report prepared by Hosaka, Nagle & Company with emphasis on volunteer house/liability. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted was made by Director Franke and Seconded by Director Miller. The motion passed.
- **5. President's Report**: None at this time.
- **Water Systems Report:** Vice President Mitchell reports that Well #7 is off line and considered dry. Well #2 in now also off. Director Franke reported that actual usage for this quarter is down compared to the same quarter last year, however, the water table appears to be dropping. The report also included an update on the work on both Well # 5 and Well # 10. Progressing as planned and everything looked promising.
- 7. Water Usage/Electricity Usage: Ms. Gans presented a list to Board members of the Lots arranged by Units of Water used. Also, a breakdown in cost of electricity from running the various wells. President Ellis requested that next quarter's electricity comparison be in actual kilowatts used rather than the dollars since the dramatic price increase of last year it is not felt that a dollar amount gives an actual look at usage.

- 8. Old Business: Both items 5a. and 5b. were covered in the Water Systems report. President Ellis reported on 5c. the Surveying and Grading of New Access Road to Well #6. The easement has been identified between lots 45 and 46. The actual grading of the road is currently scheduled for the week of the 28<sup>th</sup> of December. Resident Dean Stowers requested that the Board also install a chain across the access of the road to limit unauthorized entrance by non-Waterboard members.
- **9.** <u>New Business</u>: Suggestions and observations made by "Super" Water Watchers in preparation for next summer's water emergencies:
  - a. Noted that residents probably do not understand our problem in supplying water. A suggestion was made that President Ellis create an open letter to residents explaining the various water level warning signs, irrigation issues.
  - **b.** Spell out future plans well renovation and storage improvement. Things that can be done to resolve immediate problems and future plans to avoid these same problems. Dean Stowers request Notice Board be installed at Riverwood for those residents who do not use Springview as primary entrance.
  - **c.** Suggestion to increase new meter installation fee to \$5000 from the current price of \$2000. It was pointed out that the Julian Town Water District currently charges \$6000, and Majestic Pines fee is \$5000.
  - **d.** Consider a building moratorium until water issues are resolved.
  - **e.** Expenditures authorized to avoid calling a special board meeting for authority to spend fund on emergency water issues.
  - f. Creation of "phone-tree" for notification of emergencies and contamination issues. Also contacts for residents to use to contact Wynola Water Board Members to deal with possible daily or late night emergencies.
  - g. Explore the possibility of having separate meeting for each of the three areas now covered at one meeting: Wynola Water Board; PRD—16; and CC&Rs.
  - h. Questions on how to enforce the issue of over usage of water by "irrigators". Is there a "Water Policy" and how is it enforced—shut-off—fines—in the interest of maintaining a designated water level for emergencies.
  - i. Develop and enforce a "Water Usage Policy".
  - j. New well sites. Wynola Water District already owns three (3) other possible sites. However, according to Jack McMahan, these sites are worthless and are economically not feasible to use. A suggestion to explore the possible installation of a new Well on Lot #23. Bud Segni has "witched" the area and declared suitable amounts of water to warrant the installation of a new well. Director Mitchell suggested a Gift Certificate to Mr. & Mrs. Segni as a thank you for the many hours Bud has donated to the District for Witching.
  - k. It was generally agreed that the District must lead with curtailing excessive water usage by residents. This could then be followed by the installation of new wells. Vice President Mitchell states that the average lead-time for a new well is seven to nine months. What is our recourse for high users? Malcolm Dyos suggested a new pricing level starting immediately with frequent meter readings.
  - I. The District has already proven that our storage capacity cannot recover itself in a reasonable amount of time. Institute a Notice To Homeowners immediately. Another suggestion to rise rates immediately.
  - An Emergency Letter will be created today to all residents to please cease all outside watering for three days for the next two consecutive weeks.
    Anything on a timer needs to be shut off on those days. This will be mailed this Monday, with a Certified Letter to be sent to the owners of Lot # 14.

**n.** Suggestion for a larger community letter to include information on an increase in rates for excessive use, and other measures to deal with these problems.

A request was made for a Special Meeting in three (3) weeks to put into place an increase in water rates. To be held at Vice President Mitchell's home on November 10<sup>th</sup>. To set policies and set legal limits.

The Board granted permission to President Ellis to mail a letter this Monday to all residents—certified to Lot #14 for no water request on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday for the next two weeks.

A larger letter will go out the end of next week after all Board members review. All Board members agreed to authorize President Ellis to prepare and send letter.

A Committee was formed to prepare suggestions for new water rates and structures. The members will be Malcolm Dyos, Robert Franke, and Robert Gans.

A motion was made by Director Franke for a letter to be drafted and sent to the owners of Lot #23 requesting consideration for the installation of a new well on the lot. Seconded by Director Mitchell. The motion passed.

**Adjourn:** There being no other New Business, a motion was made by Director Franke to adjourn the meeting of the Wynola Water District's Second Fiscal Quarterly Meeting FY 2001-2002 at 12:15 p.m. seconded by Director Mitchell. The motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joyce E. Gans Office Manager