

APPROVED
Board of Directors
Wynola Water District and
Wynola Estates Fire Safe Council
May 13, 2023, 9:00 a.m.
22135 CA – 79 Santa Ysabel CA 92070

1. Call to Order: 9:10 a.m.
2. Roll Call of Board of Directors:
 - Jim Madaffer, President-present
 - Ron Placa, Vice President-present
 - Brenden Kelso, Treasurer-present
 - Steve Kincaid-present
 - Sandra McCann-absent
3. Additions to the Agenda-none
4. Approval of meeting minutes of April 8, 2023.
 - Motion from Kincaid and seconded by Placa to approve minutes. 4 Ayes, 0 Noyes, 1 Absent
5. Public Comment-opportunity for members of the public to address the Board on matters within the Board's jurisdiction. People addressing the Board are requested to state their name and address for the record.
 - Terry Jordan, Glenside Rd. Terry asked when the next chipping will be scheduled. An email was sent out this morning with the new dates of May 26th and June 2nd. Please email Sandie McCann for reservations.
6. Treasurer's Report: Brenden Kelso
 - Brenden will make an appointment with CVB to change signing status.
 - Brenden and Karen Harris will meet with the bookkeeper at the end of May to make a proposed budget for 2023-2024 fiscal year.
 - It was discussed to open a 90-day CD at Chase Bank. Current interest received is approximately 4%.
7. Office Manager: Karen Kincaid
 - Need resolution to change apportionment tax money to Chase Bank and close Wells Fargo Bank.
 - Spindler House at 1222 Lakedale Rd. is in Escrow. Closing estimated May 22, 2023. The HOA and WWD are in contact with the escrow company to submit final invoices.

8. Old Business:

- a) Report by Board President Jim Madaffer (this will include the actions taken to date since the last Board meeting on April 8, 2023).**
- i. Jim submitted changes to Google Maps, which has been completed. Changes submitted are Springview Rd. does not connect to Ritchie Rd. but is a dead-end street. Also, Springview Rd. does not go around Bainbridge house and is not part of his property.**
 - ii. WWD voted in the special district LAFCO ballot. Barry Willis of Alpine Fire District won.**
 - iii. Hawthorne Caterpillars requested to do service on the generators this year. Jim and Ron discussed and declined the service, because they were serviced last year, and Ron checks them every month.**
 - iv. WWD received inquiries about putting out an RFP for a new auditor. Because we have a new treasurer it was decided to stay with our existing auditor for right now, which is Sonnenberg CPA.**
 - v. The WWD chair reviewed communications from various ratepayers. The board has not responded due to the Brown Act. The WWD hired Buddy Seifert, a Certified Water Operator, to handle all the States mandated programs, and is aware of all the procedures needed to keep the WWD in compliance.**
 - vi. The WWD board has voted that we have complete resiliency regarding emergency backup plans, (generators on all wells) to keep the residents of Wynola Estates with water flowing and to have adequate water for fire protection. Permits have already been submitted and the generator for Well #9 should be forthcoming. Albert Simonson had previously signed a right of entry from his property to the generator and we also have a right of entry from the Mears property. We also have an easement on both properties, but using the easement would include the removal of trees and fauna. The right of entry is less impactful to reach the generator.**
 - vii. We will also have a backup generator on Well #11, thanks to Ron Placa giving an easement on the back of his property to house the generator, instead of impacting The Young property with a generator. A trench will be dug for all cables that will connect to Well #11. The new generator on Well #11 will use propane, at the suggestion of the Fire Department, for ease of refilling propane versus oil during emergency use. A 500-gallon propane tank will be installed on Ron's property for the generator.**
 - viii. The Wynola Water District, because it is a state agency, is responsible to the constituents of the district to supply water during emergencies. The generators help us comply with state mandates. The current undergrounding being done by SDG&E does not guarantee continuous electricity during an emergency. That is why the generators are so important.**

- ix. **On April 17, 2023, the WWD received a technical notice of violation from the state regarding the use of Enviro Matrix Analytical Lab, which lost its accreditation. The violation was technical only and had nothing to do with the WWD. We now have a Category E rating, which does not move us up enough in violations to help us to get a grant for a new filtration system. We will need to collect new samples between June 1st and September 1st and send them to Alpha Laboratories for analysis. WWD will need to send out a notice to all rate payers that we failed to meet the monitoring requirements.**
- x. **To receive state grant money, we need to have a Class "C" rating, which means poor water quality. If we can get the free grant money, we can install a new water treatment facility, new underground water piping next to the existing asbestos pipes and resurface the roads.**
- xi. **A picture email was sent by Ron Placa showing the condition of his water, which is extremely muddy. Buddy is going to flush Meadowridge Rd. in the next 10 days to see if the water will clear up.**
- xii. **Jim talked to the Regional Manager at AT&T about removing the copper wiring and wood poles in the estates since SDG&E will be undergrounding all electricity. The representative said that if a survey can be sent out to the HOA of Wynola Estates and the community agrees they want fiber optics, then AT&T could install fiber optics at the same time that the undergrounding is being done. This might help our case to persuade AT&T to remove the copper wiring and the wood poles, which are unsightly in our community.**
- xiii. **Jim and Buddy had a conversation with our grant writer, California Consulting about the technical violation that put us in Category E. Unfortunately, we need to be in Category A, B, or C to qualify for any grant money to install a water treatment facility. There are several ways we could meet the eligibility of a grant, one being moved into Category A-C, or doing a survey of the average income of the owners in the estates. More than 50% + 1 would have to be residents of the estates. If there are more nonresidents, then income eligibility would not help us.**
- xiv. **The WWD received an email from the HOA, expressing interest in having a community picnic. It has been many years since a picnic was held. The HOA has asked for a water board representative to help in the planning of the picnic. Steve Kincaid will represent the waterboard. There were no objections from the board to participate in the planning of the HOA picnic.**

b) Buddy Seifert, Water Operator:

- i. On January 1, 2024, new regulations will come into effect regarding the amount of iron and manganese acceptable in the water. The new amount will be 100 times less than what we currently have.**
- ii. Buddy will be collecting and submitting the water samples needed per the technical violation in April 2023 and sending those samples to Alpha Laboratories.**
- iii. Buddy will be meeting with the California Rural Water engineers to talk about the size needed for a trailer generator to hook up at the different well sites, as part of our resiliency emergency project. We are going to install transfer switches at wells 6, 7 and 10 that enable the generator to plug into the wells electrical system. They will also check out Well #11 to make sure the existing plugs are up to date. Buddy will also have California Rural Water look into engineering a transfer switch for the pump house in case the electricity goes down and water can't be pumped.**
- iv. Buddy is researching a possibility for new revenue sources. He will talk to San Diego Broadband to see if there is any interest in them installing receivers on top of the new water tower that we are hoping to get with grant money. Also, looking at AT&T, Verizon, and T-Mobile to put cellular antennas on tower. All entities would pay the WWD a monthly income of approximately \$400 to \$1,000 as a space rental on top of the tower.**
- v. Buddy's assistant Rodney broke his wrist but will be back in service in about two weeks.**

9. New Business:

a) Jim and Steve are looking at a security system called Flock Safety.

- i. Flock Safety are cameras that the WWD would locate near the fire hydrants on Riverwood and Springview. These hydrants had been vandalized in the last year and water stolen from our water system. The Flock Safety System captures license plates, make and model of car, color, and unique features. If the community is vandalized in any way, this camera system would be a valuable tool in catching the people responsible.**
- ii. Jim will call the Company and get a price quote.**

10. Motion to adjourn as Wynola Water District: 10:05 a.m.

Next Meeting: June 10, 2023, 9:00 a.m. (2nd Saturday of every month) @ Santa Ysabel Nature Center).