### **APPROVED**

# Board of Directors Wynola Water District and Wynola Estates Fire Safe Council June 10, 2023, 9:00 a.m. 22135 CA – 79 Santa Ysabel CA 92070

- 1. Call to Order: 9:00 a.m.
- 2. Roll Call of Board of Directors:
  - Jim Madaffer, President-present
  - Ron Placa, Vice President-present
  - Brenden Kelso, Treasurer-present
  - Steve Kincaid-absent
  - Sandra McCann- Director Sandie McCann is participating via live video conference during the June 2023 Wynola Water District board meeting, pursuant to California Government Code Section 54953(b). Director McCann is participating from 1602 Oakforest, Santa Ysabel CA, 92070. Director McCann has posted the agenda at her location and the location is accessible to the public.
- 3. Additions to the Agenda none
- 4. Approval of meeting minutes of May 13, 2023.
  - Motion from Placa and seconded by Kelso 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 Ms. Jordan asked if there will be another chipping day scheduled. Buddy Seifert and Sandra McCann will talk about that during the Fire Safe Council meeting after the Wynola Water District meeting is concluded.
- 6. Treasurer's Report Brenden Kelso
  - Unable to meet with Kelly, the bookkeeper, to produce a budget for the 2023-2024 fiscal year. Brenden and Karen Harris will meet next month and provide a budget and account balances for the July 2023 WWD meeting.
  - Buddy Seifert gave Brenden and Karen Harris his budget needs for the upcoming budget year.
  - The WWD budget will be formalized, and a resolution voted on at our July 8, 2023, meeting.
  - After the new budget has been voted on, that information will then go to our auditor, Sonnenberg CPA. They will audit the books for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

# 7. Office Manager: Karen Kincaid

- Need resolution to change apportionment tax money to Chase Bank and close
   Wells Fargo Bank.
- Wells Fargo funds will be transferred to Community Valley Bank or a 90-day CD.
- Spindler house at 1222 Lakedale closed escrow.

# 8. Old Business:

- a) Report by Board President Jim Madaffer (this will include the actions taken to date since the last Board meeting on May 13, 2023).
  - EPX/ SDG&E generator for Well #9 project is moving along. Permits from the county have been obtained and we are waiting for the scheduling of the equipment to be installed.
  - ii. The propane tank will be installed also. WWD will need to set up an account with Allstate Propane for the corporate rate, to supply propane for the generator.
  - iii. The generator and propane tank should be installed within the next 60 days.

# b) Buddy Seifert, Water Operator:

- Buddy talked to California Rural Water Association, who will be providing us with another generator, exactly what we want and where we want it installed and paid for by the State of California.
- ii. The 30-40kw generator will be installed at Well #11, but on Ron and Maureen Placa's property, that they are donating to the WWD. It will be a permanent, pad mounted, diesel generator. This generator is worth \$50-60K.
- iii. Two engineers came out from the California Rural Water Association.

  Unfortunately, we are not sure when the funding will come, but we will get the funding.
- iv. We will also get transfer switches for Wells #7 and #10, which are part of the grant we received.
- v. We will purchase one Honda generator on a trailer, electric start, from Costco. We will be able to wheel the generator to whatever well we need to power.
- vi. If the power goes out for a week in Wynola Estates, the generators give us resiliency.
- vii. Buddy and his assistant Rodney flushed the hydrants this last week. This flushing was a lot cleaner, except the bottom of the hill at Riverwood. We used between 10 and 15 gallons of water to flush. The wells recovered fast at the pump house. At the end of Friday, the water depth at the pumphouse

- was 13,000. By Saturday, our pump house was up to the 14,000-depth mark.
- viii. We are still waiting to get into A, B, or C category for free grant money. Right now, we have an E rating. We can still qualify for free money if 50% of the people who live in Wynola Estates are full-time residents, and at a low-income level. To determine the income level, the State would hire a firm to do a survey of all the residents in the estates. The last census showed that less than 50% of the residents were full time. Jim suggested that we could get a volunteer or hire someone to knock on residents' doors and see if they would participate in the survey. Buddy and Jim are going to talk to the grant writers and see if we should go ahead and have the survey done since the probability of dropping into a lower rating category is doubtful.
  - ix. Rodney Doss passed his Certified Water Operator test, so now Wynola Water District has two qualified water operators working for us.

## 9. New Business:

- a) Jim would like WWD to install two Flock Safety License Plate Cameras in Wynola Estates. These cameras would record license plates and the make and model of the cars that come and go throughout the estates. The system is linked with the San Diego Sheriff's Department. He is concerned that we have had people stealing water from the hydrants during the middle of the night. Also, people have tried to break into the mailboxes on Springview at least two to three times a year. If someone tries to break into a house, we might never know if the resident does not live here full time. The Flock system may also bring down homeowner insurance rates because we will know who comes and goes from the neighborhood.
  - The system is 24/7 protection, and hands-free maintenance. The
    cameras are leased to us. The cameras are wireless and solar powered.
    They run on their own cellular network and can be placed anywhere.
    The system allows residents to opt out of the footage, so our plates are
    not recorded.
  - ii. Because we are a state agency, we are eligible to use the Flock program.

    The Flock company obtains the permits, installs the cameras, and maintains the cameras.
  - iii. The cost is \$3,000 a year per camera. We need two cameras-one at Riverwood and one at Springview which equals \$6,000 per year.

    Installation is \$650 per camera (\$1300.) The first year would be \$7,300.

    The second year would be \$6000.
  - iv. Ron Placa was concerned about the amount of money the camera system is and he did not want to vote due to the few residents that had attended the WWD meeting. He wants more input from the residents if they want to pay this much for a security system.

- v. Brenden Kelso brought up that the district had not lost \$6000 in water.
- vi. Jim Madaffer explained that if we had a wildfire, people may come into the community that do not belong here. The cost of installing gates at each entrance would be \$80,000 or more. Jim believes that the WWD has a responsibility to protect the community from people coming in who don't belong here, and protecting our homes when we go on vacation. These cameras would give peace of mind to the community.
- vii. Law enforcement uses the Flock Safety Company all around United States.
- viii. Brenden Kelso made a motion that after two years of having the system, we re-evaluate whether this system was worth the money. It was seconded by Placa. Motion passed 4 Ayes, 0 Noyes, and 1 Absent.
- ix. Ron talked about putting a temporary filtration system in at resident's house's since it is taking so long to obtain a grant from the State. An inexpensive system, similar to what Ron has, does a good job in filtering out and his water is clear. Jim and Buddy will talk to the grant writers and see how much longer it is going to take to get a grant for a filtration system and report back next month.
- x. Jim also discussed that AT&T will not be taking down any poles during the SDG&E undergrounding program. Jim proposes that the WWD and the HOA write a letter to the CPUC and tell them to get out of Wynola Estates. A survey would need to be done to see how many are using landlines, which uses the poles. Jim will draft a letter to the CPUC.
- 10. Meeting Adjourned 10:15 as the Wynola Water District.

Next Meeting: July 8, 2023, 9:00 a.m. (2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of every month) @ Santa Ysabel Nature Center).