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## WYNOLA WATER DISTRICT

# **Board of Directors Meeting**

### March 12, 2022

## Held at Santa Ysabel Nature Center 22135 CA – 78 Santa Ysabel CA 92070

- 1. Call to Order 9:06 a.m.
- 2. Roll Call of Board of Directors Present:
  - Jim Madaffer, President
  - Ron Placa, Vice President
  - Bonni Cogan, Treasurer
  - Steve Kincaid
  - Sandie McCann
- 3. Additions to Agenda:
  - Report/Quote from Rex Anderson regarding Well #10 Pump Repairs
- 4. Approval of Meeting Minutes of February 12, 2022
  - Motion was made by Cogan and seconded by McCann to approve the minutes of February
     12, 2022. It was approved as corrected 5 Ayes, 0 Noyes
- Public Comment: Opportunity for members of the public to address the Board on matters within the Board's jurisdiction. Person's addressing the Board are requested to state their name and address for the record. There was no public comment.
- 6. Treasurer's Report: Bonni Cogan
  - Budget through 12/31/21: total income budgeted was \$90,000. Actual was \$89,000.
  - Net profit budgeted \$39,000. Actual net profit was \$49,000. Difference was because the flushing was not completed.
- 7. Office Manager's Report: Karen Kincaid
  - Chase Checking: \$15,179.17
  - Chase Savings: \$129,010.68
  - Wells Fargo Checking: \$100,986.39
  - Community Valley Bank: \$100,000.
  - All bank account totals: \$345,176.24
  - Karen brought up the difficulty in contacting the County to change the account the
    apportionment tax money is deposited into. Buddy Seifert and Jim are knowledgeable in
    this matter and will give Karen the contact information to change these deposits into the
    Chase checking account.
- 8. Old Business:
  - a) Report by Board President Jim Madaffer (this will include the actions taken to date since the last Board meeting on February 12, 2022)
    - i. SCADA system demo: Jim showed us our new system that tracks all the operational wells in our district. Everything is automated now. SCADA shows us tank levels, map of the WWD, what wells and pumps that are working and any problems that may occur. System is completely wireless. The SCADA system that reports the data is top of the industry and will help in reports that the county and state require.

- ii. Pumphouse technology upgrades: Jim and Steve installed a security camera system, screens that monitors the inside of the pumphouse and the instrument panels. It is also a motion detector. Modems and battery system are locked in a secure cage. More cameras will be installed around the outside of the pumphouse for additional security. A Wynola Water District sign has been installed on the outside of the fence with phone numbers in case of an emergency.
- iii. WWD History Video: Tim Taschler and Albert Simonson did a YouTube video on the history of the Wynola Water District. Jim will also be doing a video with Jack Bainbridge, a resident of Wynola Estates and past President of the WWD. The history is good for historical knowledge of our well system.
- b) Report from WWD Water Operator: Buddy Seifert
  - i. Buddy reported on the problems with Well #10. He received a quote from Rex Anderson for the replacement of the submersible pump. Rex gave us 2 options to repair this well. Option #1 replacing just the Pump Saver box in the cabinet \$380.80. Option #2 replacing the Pump Saver box and the Submersible Pump \$6,298.81. <a href="Additional Costs">Additional Costs</a>: If the existing drop pipe and drop wire are damaged or corroded, then they will need to be replaced with new parts. Drop pipe \$2,880. Drop Wire \$2,328.
  - ii. Leak south of the mailboxes by the telephone pole on Springview Road. Water seeping out which he thinks is a spring and not a leak. California Rural Water Association will be coming out on Monday, March 14<sup>th</sup> to examine the water leakage and determine where it is coming from.
  - iii. Failure to start well #9. A starter that makes the generator go on and off burned up. Rex Anderson will replace the part which will cost between \$700 and \$900 dollars.
  - iv. All the wells throughout Wynola Estate are different voltages. Portable generators can be driven over to them if needed to keep them going if the electricity goes out.
  - v. Water filter System: It will become a mandate from the State of California, at some point in time, to chlorinate our water. A filtration system will help clean up the dirt that comes through the pipes and reduce the amount of iron, manganese and turbidity that come through the pipes.
  - vi. We need to make sure we have the correct permits if we make any changes to the tanks or add a filtration system. If permits are not acquired, we risk receiving penalties from the county or state.
- vii. We are getting an additional bid from Rex Anderson to kill the wells that have been designated to kill.
- viii. Water Testing: next month state mandated testing of our water will begin. This is done every 5 years. Need to test 5-10 houses that have already been designated and approved. Buddy Seifert, our water operator, will collect samples of the water for testing.
- c) Report from Office Manager Ad-Hoc Committee: Bonni Cogan/Jim Madaffer
  - It is proposed that Bonni take the Quickbooks invoicing and QB operations over for Quarter 1 and see how much time is involved doing this task. This will give her a better sense on what the job description would entail, and time required of the

job when hiring a person. Karen will continue as secretary doing the mail and depositing the checks.

- d) Report from the Ad-Hoc Strategy Committee: Steve Kincaid/Jim Madaffer
  - i. In the matter of the 5<sup>th</sup> Year Rate Increase: There is a scheduled rate increase of 30% starting in Quarter 1 of 2022. Jim hired the California Rural Water Association and Robert D. Niehaus, Inc. to study the rate increase scheduled for 2022. They recommend either a 13% or 16.2% increase. The 13% increase would need to be examined in one year. The 16.2@ increase would be good for approximately 5 years. There is a \$5.00 rate difference between the two proposed increases. If the board does not vote on this resolution, a 30% increase will automatically go into effect on the Quarter 1 billing for 2022. A resolution was proposed to increase the rates 16.2%, to be implemented Quarter 1 of the 2022 year. Jim made a motion to approve the 16.2% increase. It was seconded by Kincaid. Resolution passed unanimously. 5 Ayes, 0 Noyes.
  - ii. In the matter of the Lofgreen water meter: Buddy Seifert tested their meter because their water bills were higher than normal. It was found that the meter was faulty. The meter was replaced, and the Quarter 4 bill reflected the new meter reading charge of \$774.84. Bonni will review their letter and talk with the Lofgreen's to see what they would like in compensation. A motion was made to authorize a refund up to \$3116.38. Buddy is also going to work with Karen regarding meters that are showing abnormally low readings that need to be replaced. Motion carried unanimously 5 Ayes, 0 Noyes.
- 9. New Business: None
- 10. Motion to adjourn 10:17 a.m.

Next meeting: April 9, 2022, 9:00 a.m. Santa Ysabel Nature Center