

WYNOLA WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Sunday February 11, 2017 8:00am
Jeremy's on the Hill, 4354 CA-78, Santa Ysabel, CA 92070

ATTENDEES: Board members Co-Lee Grev (President), Clint Schepe, Ron Placa, Bill Geckeler, Tim Taschler. Guests Coko Brown, Bob Gans, Joyce Gans.

1. Meeting was called to order by Board President Co-Lee Grev at 8:00 am.
2. Director Taschler reported on 1/17/17 on-site survey by DEH (which will be sent to neighbors and posted on the WWD website). Taschler explained that the Chlorination Log was passed from Jack Bainbridge to Albert Simonson, who forwarded it to Taschler. Taschler shared the log with Water Operators Dan Thoner and Dave Southcott, who explained that Taschler should share this log immediately with DEH since WWD was not authorized or licensed to treat the water. The chlorination log showed that the wells were being treated with one gallon of chlorine each on a schedule that put 3 to 4 gallons of chlorine each month into the system. WWD is a community water system that is NOT allowed to add anything to the water without DEH authorization.
3. Director Geckeler, a physician holding a PhD in Biology, reported that from the receipts of chlorine purchased, the chlorine used was specifically meant to be used for shocking swimming pools and it is a violation of Federal law to use this product for any other purpose. Dr. Geckeler reported on the potential hazards of chlorination use and the potential carcinogenic effects.
4. President Co-Lee reported on the additional problem of the excessive amount of chlorine added (1 gallon per well).
5. Director Taschler reported that when using chlorine, the law requires daily chlorine sampling for residual chlorine, something that was not done according to the logs.
6. Bob Gans offered some history stating that "we lived in Wynola Estates for 22 years and on the board or involved for most of that time and we all knew the water was being chlorinated. It was always part of every report that was made at every meeting...it was common knowledge." President Co-Lee said that she disagreed that people did not know. She asked if it was in any of the board minutes, which Bob Gans replied that it should be in the files. [NOTE: for the record, this author has not found any reference to chlorination in the minutes other than the 2011 board meeting where the board voted to use chlorine].
7. Both President Grev and Director Taschler stated that there were two licensed water operators on the board, Ray Mitchell and Tom McDonough, and both should have known that adding any chemical to the water constituted treatment and should not have been done without DEH's involvement.
8. Director Geckeler passed around the chlorine labels that stated it was a violation of Federal law to use this type of chlorine for any other purpose than shocking a swimming pool.
9. President Grev brought up the issue of WWD's water sampler and suggested that it might be appropriate to change samplers in light of the chlorination activity. Director Taschler made a motion to change the water sampler to WWD's current licensed operator, Dan

Thoner, until such time that Taschler and Scott Dell were able to handle the sampling themselves. The motion was seconded and approved.

10. A motion was made by President Grev to authorize Director Taschler to complete all the of the 'to-do' items requested by DEH, and the motion was seconded and approved.

11. The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 am.

As reported by Tim Taschler, Office Manager.