

**New Avenue Mutual Water Company
Minutes of the Board of Director's Meeting
Held at the residence of Alan Heinzen
March 19, 2015
newavemutualwater.com**

Board Member	In Attendance?	Office #	Best #	Home/email #
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Jae Schwartz	Yes		408-892-2887	408-847-4919 jae1@aol.com

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by the president, Mike DiPietro.

1. **Review of the Minutes:** The minutes of the February 19, 2015 meeting were reviewed and approved.
2. **Secretary's Report: Tim Burke**
 - a. **Discussion: 571-L** - Unsecured Property Tax form for Santa Clara County:
Requested verification and location of equipment items, (pumps) listed on the Balance Sheet.
Largest/newest asset is Well 3 @ \$208,861.91.
 - b. **February Water Production Statement** for Wells 1&2 was .05 Acre Feet.
 - c. **Insurance discussion: Assembly Bill 656 in state assembly would allow Mutual (not-for-profit) water companies to form "Joint Power Agreements" that would potentially lower insurance costs** (larger pool) and provide California mutual water companies a legislative voice, merge technical assistance, and provide a forum for ideas between similar systems.
A copy of the AB 656 legislation and insurance letter was provided to the board.
The board discussed the JPA and decided that more information was needed.
3. **Financial Summary: Jim Armstrong (02/28/15)**

Checking: \$ 45 K
Chase \$133 K
February 28 is the end of Fiscal Year 2014

Discussion of Drop box: shared folder for document archiving and transfer. Download from drop-box.com.
4. **Maintenance Report: Alan Heinzen**
 - **Alan's report from the Santa Clara Valley Water District Open House:**
The water district will raise rates based on usage from "recharge" zones.
SCV District is doing a study to determine where these zones are. Engineering report to be done by 2016.
Alan said that water company should work with and provide data to the district. He questioned whether or not NAMWCo. is using or benefiting from "imported" water brought into the recharge zones.
 - **Ground water levels (3/18): Well#1 111 ft. Well 3 164ft** (August 144ft.)
 - **Water Meter Discussion:** Still plan to test for slippage.
Alan to get cost of digital meters from Corix Water Products, Salinas.

Maintenance Report (continued)

- **Leak Detector to test Upper Butch:** Steve and Chris Carrera can shut down and turn-on the system.
- **Drought:** Watering limited to two days/week.

Pending Maintenance Projects 2/19/2015						Budget	Status
Well 2	Change radio antennas.	Pull pump to measure static water level and repair leaks.	Landscape PGE poles easement/well surround. Verify w/Hurby & Dufur.	Base rock road that leads to well.		Budget \$15K	Planning Stage
Well 3	Well 3 will run from W1 and W2 hardware	Works, still Testing	Vacuum breaker leak			Budget \$5K	Has been working
Booster Pump to Howell Ln.	Clean up controls.	Concrete slab.	Install new level controls.			Budget \$4K	Done?
Butch Tanks	Road to upper Butch cleaned.	Replace or repair leaning pole.				Budget \$1K	
Upper Butch Leak	Outside contractor: Leak Detector			Gate valves @ homes replaced		Budget \$9K	Leak slowed
L. Butch Booster Pump	Defective Starter. Replaced Pump@\$750. Need retaining wall and fencing			Need backup pump.			Done?
Backflow Device, Duke	Leaking, Sedigh or Garcia's			Ask Dufur's son for estimate			
Meter Test	Check for meter slippage. Test meters in-line			A & Ms Houses			
	Total Estimated Budget					\$34 K	

5. Action Items

Date	Who	Action	Status
6/08/09 to 6/20/13	Dave	New and approved By-laws to be recorded	Approved. Investigate the process.
11/20/14	Maint	Hydrant replacement/upgrade. Hydrant barriers. Up Extra meters and/or gate valves needed. Also, backup booster pump.	Annual maintenance. Goal: 2 hydrants /year.
10/30/2014	Maint	Leak upper Butch. Leak Detectors. Well upgrades. See Alan's Email 10/30 minutes Estimate/budget costs. See above	I In progress. MM In progress. Meeting with Leak Detectors
11/20/14	ALL	AB54 on-line training session.	
Sept. 14 10/30/2014	Chappell	Test water level all wells./inspect submersible pump at Well 1. Done monthly	

6. Parking Lot Items review

Date	Who	Action	Status
On-going 11/20/2014	Maint	Rent emergency generators to power the well pumps and/or booster pumps. Rewire panels to allow for quick connect. Discussed 10/30/14. Simulate power failure. Written emergency plan.	New well will have appropriate generator connection.
On-going 12/11/08 10/30/2014	Alan	Cost estimate for the installation of 100K tank. See 11/15/07 minutes. Next major project.	Feasibility, cost, engineering, permits.
On-going 3/04/10		Investigate the Great Oaks vs. SCVWD lawsuit.	Ongoing
11/20/14	Maint	Replace hatches on all tanks	Sept. 2014. Review.

7. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 30, 2015.
To be held at the residence of Jae Schwartz.

8. Adjournment:

The President, Mike DiPietro, adjourned the meeting at 8:32 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:
Timothy Burke
Secretary, Board of Directors

Cc: Joe for web site
H. Penn, Bookkeeping