

**New Avenue Mutual Water Company**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

June 24, 2021

Held virtually on Zoom,  
Gilroy, CA

Board Members New Avenue Mutual Water Company (NAMWCO); Mike DiPietro, Joe Cardinalli, Alan Heinzen, Jae Schwartz, Jim Armstrong, Dave Biasotti.

Board Member Jae Schwartz absent, all other Board Members present.

Guests: None

Meeting called to order by Mike DiPietro 7:04 pm

1. Welcome by Mike, attendance recorded.
2. Review and approval of minutes for May 27, 2021.  
Motion to approve made by Dave, seconded by Joe. Minutes approved.
3. Financial Report, Jim Armstrong.

Jim Reported: Chase Checking balance \$201,528. Chase Savings balance \$168,654.  
(FYI Last Month: Chase Checking balance \$206,394. Chase Savings balance \$168,651).

4. Presidents Report General Discussion: Mike DiPietro.

The Annual Shareholders meeting was discussed, to hold live or virtual. The decision was made to have a live face-to-face annual meeting. The date for the annual meeting is scheduled for August 19, 2021, at Alan's house. We will follow COVID guidelines, we can set up on the lawn and spread the tables and seating out. Meeting only, may not have dinner as in the past. We will discuss and finalize at the next meeting

Water Tax will be coming due. Not sure if and when Santa Clara Valley Water District will raise rates per acre feet.

5. Water Quality updates: Jae Schwartz.

Jae was unable to attend the meeting, he is out of town. Jae sent in an email report, including information from Darin McCosker “circuit rider” CRWA consultant. Jae submitted the annual electronic report, and provided details on the magnesium levels. Jae’s email attached: Title Water Board Meeting, dated June 23, 2021.

6. Water Levels: Dave Biasotti.

Levels are low. If we do not have significant rain in the next two years our ground water levels will be close to depleted. Andersen Dam is being drained and Coyote Lake is less than 50% full. Percolation ponds in San Martin are empty. Orville Dam is at 38%, Lake Shasta is at 43% and San Luis reservoir is at 43%. Plus, extremely low snow pack.

7. Road Committee – On Hold: Dave Biasotti.

Action item on hold. Item to be discussed at general in person meeting to gather input from membership. Roads Committee item to be kept on agenda for future discussions.

8. Maintenance and Operations: Alan Heinzen.

Water Storage capacity is still an issue. Alan spoke to Roca’s, at 2569 Butch, regarding the extra tank of her property. She will give the tank to the Water Company if we decide to use it. Jae and Alan inspected Roca’s extra water storage tank on the property. Jae took pictures of the interior and exterior. Due to the poor condition of the tank, we have abandoned the idea to reuse the tank.

Storage capacity at Lower Butch tank continues to be discussed. Alan provided information on purchasing three 10,000-gallon plastic tanks. Tanks would cost \$12,000 each, installation estimate \$30,000 and funds needed to hire engineer and site preparation. Rough estimate \$80,000 to \$100,000 to complete the project. Alan will continue gathering information and will provide recommendations. Well #3 static level is at 193 feet and well #1 is at 115 feet. Well #3 went down 13 feet in one month. Our wells average 500 feet deep with pumps at the 400-foot level. We do have room to lower pumps if needed.

Anderson’s, 10430 Duke, hydrant replacement is in progress. Alan is working on it with Chris and Chappell pump. They have started the project and will continue working tomorrow to complete the installation. As we agreed, we will split cost of the hydrant because it met the criteria to be replaced or was one of top 5 hydrants to be replaced.

Anita Jury's home at 9525 Estates Drive, has possible water leak (green patch). Leak is on property owner's side of the fence. Mike asked if Alan will take a look and advise her.

Jim is looking into solar power for Well #3. He will report back as he gathers information.

9. Old Business: Joe hired Ciara Mullen to maintain Water Board Website. Joe met with Ciara this week and gave her website details and what we would like to upgrade. He also gave her minutes and agendas for 2021 and started to gather minutes and agendas for 2020. Ciara will take a few weeks to familiarize herself with the site before she begins to update and add in information. As agreed, she will update site for \$300 fee, and will maintain the site for \$50 a month.

10. Next in person Board Meeting, July 22, 2021 @ 7 PM, Jae's house. Joe will send out notice. Meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm. Minutes respectively submitted by Joe Cardinalli Board Secretary.