

# **New Avenue Mutual Water Company**

## **Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

March 18, 2021

Held virtually on Zoom,  
Gilroy, CA

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

Board Members Attendance: Excused absence Jim Armstrong. All other members present.

Guests: None

Meeting called to order by Mike DiPietro 7:05 pm

1. Welcome by Mike, attendance recorded.
2. Review and approval of minutes for January 21, 2020.  
Motion to approve made by Jae, seconded by Alan, Minutes approved.

### 3. Financial Report, Jim.

Jim unable to attend meeting. Per Mike, Jim will send financial report to Joe to be included in the minutes. Jim sent financial report/savings and checking balances to Board Secretary on March 21, 2021

Report: Chase Checking balance \$182,280. Chase Savings balance \$168,646.  
(FYI Last Month March: Chase Checking balance \$176,995. Chase Savings balance \$168,643).

Jim will be available to take questions on March report at next Board meeting on April 15, 2021.

### 4. Presidents Report General Discussion: Mike DiPietro.

No report at this time.

### 5. Water Quality updates: Jae.

Jae reported that the Annual Electronic water report is coming due. He will contact Alan to

help with technical answers for the report. Board members will also be available to assist Jae with the report as needed.

Jae reported on the email from Tsung-chu George Chien, PE Water Resources Control Engineer, State Water Resources Control Board, March 8, 2021. (Email Attached) Well 3, magnesium level was at 0.050 and has risen to 0.093. Levels should be at the 0.050 reading. We are still within recommended levels however; we need to investigate and monitor for future reports. Jae will contact CRWA and have their "Circuit Rider" field consultant come and examine Well 3 and advise us on actions to be taken.

#### 6. Water Levels: Dave.

No updates.

#### 7. Road Committee – On Hold: Dave.

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.

Alan was unable to access water usage reports, he will distribute when they become available.

Continued discussion on Butch lower tank and the need for more water storage capacity and balancing the system.

Dave reported on the quotation from Loomis Tank Center, dated November 23, 2020. Loomis only has vertical tanks. The vertical tank will not fit at the Lower Butch location. Alan said we cannot have a vertical tank and horizontal tank at the same location providing water. The water system is gravity fed and the vertical tank would have more pressure than the horizontal tank and would unbalance the water pressure. We cannot mix vertical and horizontal tanks at same location. Options to install vertical tanks at same location would require turning off the system, using temporary tanks, relocate horizontal tanks to one location and vertical tanks to another location with lots of disruption to our water clients.

Alan will check on availability of Rocha's horizontal tank at 2569 Butch, if we can come to agreement to use their tank. Horizontal tank would be the best solution to add storage to

lower Butch tank location.

Water Storage to keep as a Priority Action item and to continue to investigate more water storage for the lower Butch tank location.

Hydrant replacement discussion. Board discussed hydrants that need replacing due to leaking, old hydrants, missing isolation valve, and dwarf hydrants.

Hydrant replacement priority list was discussed in depth. Top five hydrants to replace are the following:

Project #1: Hydrant locations adjacent to address

1. Sedigh, 2455 Bridle Path Court
2. Voicu, 2450 Bridle path Drive

Project #2:

3. Schwartz, 2525 Bridle Path Drive
4. Nguyen, 2470 Bridle Path Drive
5. Roman, 2510 Bridle Path Drive

Exceptions to the list may change as conditions dictate.

Some of our hydrants have been damaged and may be leaking due to wild boar's knocking into them. Mike will check if water company insurance will cover the repair cost.

9. Next Zoom Board Meeting, April 15, 2021 @ 7 PM, Joe will send out Zoom invitation notice. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm. Minutes respectively submitted by Joe Cardinalli Board Secretary.