

GARDEN FARMS COMMUNITY WATER DISTRICT
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MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING
Board of Directors

Wednesday January 8, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.
Garden Farms Bible Chapel Meeting Hall
17025 Walnut Avenue, Atascadero, CA 93422

Board Members Present: Charron Sparks, Cory Pereira and John Pinson

Board Members Absent: Jay Jamison and John Billings

Employees Present: General Manager, Marcia Joyce and Secretary, Mary Anne Stephens

Members of the Public Present: Todd Waelty

Meeting Called to Order

- Charron Sparks called the regular meeting of the Garden Farms Community Water District to order at 7:05 p.m.

Public Comment

- No Public Comment.

Consideration of November 13, 2019 Meeting Minutes

- Consideration of the November 13, 2019 minutes was postponed due to a lack of quorum.

Communications

- Marcia informed the board that California Water Rural Water Association annual memberships dues in the amount of \$434.43 are due.
- *A motion was made to pay the California Water Rural Water Association \$434.43 for annual dues. John Pinson/Cory Pereira/All in favor.*
- As per drawings provided to the board at the November 2019 meeting, AT&T informed Marcia that they will be changing out nine of the antennas on the water tank in February.
- Marcia received a letter from the Department of Parks and Recreation Office of Grants and Local Services regarding an opportunity for the district to participate in the Per Capita Grant Program. She filled out and returned the form and received a follow up email requesting more information, which she provided.

Financial Report and Consideration of Recent Expenses

- Charron reported that expenses and financial transactions were routine.

General Manager's Report/Safety/System Maintenance

- The district received a proposal from Todd Waelty of Waelty Quality Water Services to provide maintenance services for the district. He informed the board that he has a background in construction and maintenance and is licensed for water treatment. He is

proposing a monthly maintenance fee in the amount of \$1,450.00. Marcia provided Todd with a list of GFCWD maintenance duties and the board reviewed and discussed the duties. The board questioned if Marcia's duties overlap with maintenance duties and requested that Todd adjust his fees if they overlap. Charron is concerned about the amount of the fee and proposed hiring Waelty Quality Water Services on a trial basis effective January 15 and reviewing the matter in three months to evaluate how the arrangement is working out for the district financially.

- ***A motion was made to hire Waelty Quality Water Services. John Pinson/Cory Pereira/All in favor.***
- Well three still has not passed the bacteria test. Marcia will ask Waelty Quality Water Services to help assess what the cause of the failed test might be.
- Marcia informed the board that the second sample taken from the Miller faucet passed the bacteria test.
- Marcia has scheduled a meeting with the gentleman from USDA.

Old Business

- **Well Log Report.** Marcia reported that static levels are good and everything else is standard.
- **Main Line Replacement.** Marcia has not received an updated bid from Dechance Construction for the mainline replacement.
- **Potential Planned PG&E Power Outage.** Marcia has been researching installing a gas line to operate a generator. She informed the board that Southern California Gas Company requires that a form must be completed online to begin the process. John Pinson offered to help Marcia complete the form so that the district can get an estimate for the cost of installing a line.

Action Item Review

- Charron will contact Todd Waelty regarding his proposal to provide maintenance services for the district.
- John Pinson will research purchasing a new generator and having a gas line installed to operate the generator.
- John Pinson will research the cost of propane to operate a generator.
- Marcia will continue researching grants for the mainline replacement.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:05 p.m. Cory Pereira/John Pinson/All in favor.

Submitted by,

Mary Anne Stephens

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District Secretary

Approved: 02/12/2020