

# MINUTES

Regular Meeting, October 7, 2021

Meeting convened at 7:04pm on Zoom

1) Roll Call: Present: Board Members David Brothers, Ryan Grossman, Gary Weiss, Lee Tepper

Staff: Present: Chief Operator, John Morrill.

Absent: Administrator, Kayla Cooper.

Public: Melinda McLaughlin, Robert Finnell

2) Consent Agenda:

Approval of Minutes from Regular Meeting of September 9;  
Minutes unanimously approved.

3) Correspondence:

An inquiry was received via email regarding the cost of a water hook-up to a vacant lot Southwest of the Hotel. As this inquiry was not received from the property owner, but from a prospective buyer, the Board agreed that the property owner should make the inquiry and this information be provided exclusively to them.

An email was received from a customer who strongly opposed the residential water rates and the drought restrictions. The Board agreed that this rate payer should be advised to attend Board Meetings to gain a more complete understanding of the rate structure, how revenue is allocated to support water/sewer service to the community, and the need to conserve water during a drought.

#### 4) Staff Report

Chief Operator's Report: Attached.

Highlights: The district accomplished substantial water conservation during the previous month.

The shed, mixings tanks, and other equipment to treat well water are installed and ready for service should we enter Stage 4 of the Drought Plan requiring use of the well.

After some complications, the refurbished lift pump has been installed and is operating smoothly.

Creek levels briefly dropped to Stage 4 levels before the September rains, but use of the well was not required.

The Chief Operator noted that a large clump of Pampas Grass needs to be removed from the spray field.

Administrator's Report: Attached

Account Balances: Main: \$44,505.88 Water Capital: \$8,549.37

Sewer Capital: \$8,632.22

5) Vote to prohibit the use of herbicides on District property: In light of clarification requested by the Chief Operator over the option to use round-up to eradicate the Pampas Grass in the spray field, the Board unanimously agreed to prohibit the use of herbicides pending further study of their toxicity and danger to the community.

#### 6) Old Business:

Budget Meeting: The Board discussed the upcoming (December 16) budget meeting. David Brothers will reach out to Mary Fleming (consultant) and the CRWA for support in formulating the

new budget. Kayla Cooper will research assessing late fees on delinquent bills.

7) Adjournment; Meeting adjourned 8:30pm