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Gascadel Woods Community

MINUTES

Cascadel Mutual Water Company
Regular Scheduled Board of Directors Meeting
Friday, June 13, 2025
CDC Conference Room, 3:00PM to 6:00PM
(Old Mill Site)

Meeting called to order at 3:01 pm.

Three Directors present at start of meeting; Stan Eggink, Ed Rose, and Steve Johansen. A quorum is present. Michael Delaney arrived a little later. Ken Trapp on Vacation.

We have guests attending this meeting; new residents, Avo Atoian and his wife Regina Diaz. Avo was our BBQ Chef at the annual Firewise Potluck BBQ this year. He did an amazing job.

The Agenda is approved by a motion from Ed Rose, Second by Steve Johansen. No objections. Motion passed. Agenda is approved as written.

The Minutes of the CMWC Board Meeting for April 11, 2025 were approved as written by a motion from Steve Johansen, second by Ed Rose. No objections. Minutes approved as written.

Reports

President

Insurance

Stan Eggink reported an insurance non-renewal notice was received in 2024. We went with a former insurance carrier, with limited coverage for general liability insurance and applied to the CA Fair Plan for our fire coverage as well and paid the premiums to cover us thru September 2025.

We canceled our membership with the California Rural Water Association for a continuing lack of assistance. We are now a member of the Mutual Water Company Association who is assisting us in locating better insurance coverage for our water facilities and system. I, (Stan Eggink), have already completed applications for insurance since becoming a member of the Association.

This association was also responsible for making sure the CMWC Directors were able to renew their state required AB-54 training and certification at no cost.

Joining this Association for the purpose of obtaining better insurance coverage is a new way of doing this type of business, so the issue was put to the Board in an email. I received a unanimous vote, via email on May 30, 2025, for the CMWC to join this association.

The Cal Fire crews will be weedeating the roads to and at our water facilities when their schedules permit them to return to Cascadel Woods.

Water Storage Tank Replacement

As of June 13, 2025the USDA is still waiting for necessary reports from the engineers of Giersch & Associates. Giersch believe the revised plans will be ready within four weeks. The USDA is concerned that the D O G E team could pull funding due to the years of inactivity.

Consumer Confidence Report

The CCR for 2024 is complete and we hope to get it on the website in the coming week. The report was sent to all residents that we have an email for. Hard copies are available in the office. Notification will be on the July Invoices to share the various ways property owners can get a copy if electronic mail is not possible.

Treasurer

The reports included fiscal year 2024-25 to-date totals. The Board reviewed the reports and a motion to approve the reports as presented was made by Steve Johansen, second by Michael Delaney.

A separate bank account will be opened for the Firewise donations. This is being done for transparency for our members. The account will be at Premier Valley Bank.

The Neighborhood watch will remain with the water company. Due to vandalism at the mail box clusters we are looking into cameras to be located with unobstructed views of the boxes to aid the Sheriff's Department and the US Postal Service in locating anyone breaking into the boxes in the future. Signs will be posted to notify the public of video surveillance in the area of the mail boxes. It is also possible that a camera would be placed at the arches for the safety of the school children waiting on the bus as well.

Member Comments and Questions

There were several issues to be addressed this month. Michael Delany will address the Late Fees on one account. A lien will be filed on two abandoned properties that are delinquent and water company memberships revoked. A third account managed to catch up at the last minute and is now current.

Establish separate bank account for Firewise donations.

Resolution to be written as agreed by the Directors. Stan Eggink to complete.

2025-2026 Budget Discussion

Water Operations

A new state required cross-connection survey is scheduled for June 26th. Water companies are scrambling throughout the state to comply. The cross-connection survey is an inspection and repair of any of the water connections at risk of water contamination by allowing back flow into the system.

Firewise

The BBQ was a great success this year. Many neighbors showed up and brought excellent potluck dishes. New residents, Avo Atoian and Regina Diaz offered to man the BBQ, which was a huge help. Michael and Toby Delaney hosted the raffle with a top prize of fifty dollars.

We netted \$221 for the Firewise.

Cal Fire Rancheria came by early to let us know they would not be able to stay this year.

Kai Hansen from Coarsegold Resource Conservation District spoke regarding the current grant being offered to Firewise Communities to enlist some takers in Cascadel. They are doing some small tree removal and offering chipping.

Sandy Chaille and Barb Colliander from COPS, Citizens on Patrol, gave us great information and flyers for before, during and after a fire or some other type of evacuation.

Shelter in place signage. The Directors agreed on placing a sign near the road in the center field across from the clubhouse. After some discussion with the Directors it was suggested that Michael Delaney and Avo Atoian handle this project.

Roads

We utilized a dump truck load of hot asphalt to patch the roads on May 29. Another truckload will continue the process near the end of June or early July.

CSA-21

Matt Treber of Madera County is working with Stan Eggink on a draft contract which will designate the Water Company to manage the CSA areas. Once the Draft has been accepted by the CMWC Board of Directors and Madera County Board of Directors, funds will be transferred from the county managed CSA fund to the water company to cover estimated operating cost thru the end of calendar year 2025.

The dissolution of the CSA-21 should take place near the end of July, 2025 after the county board of directors approves the plan. Community involvement will be required.

Communications

None to report.

Executive Meeting

Membership Revocation – Certified letters to be sent to the delinquent accounts.

Adjourn Meeting

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Ed Rose and seconded by Steve Johansen. No objections. Meeting adjourned at 4:44pm.