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CASCADEL MUTUAL WATER COMPANY Regular Board of Directors Meeting Friday, August 12, 2022, 3:00PM Location: CDC Old Mill Site Conf Room, 59839 Road 225.

1. Call to Order at 3:10PM

2. Quorum of Directors Present: President, Stan Eggink. Vice President, Ed Rose. Treasurer, Steve Johansen. Secretary, Ken Trapp. Director, Michael Delaney.

3. Approved Agenda: Motion to accept without modifications, Michael Delaney, seconded by Ed Rose.

4. Minutes of June 10, 2022, approved as presented. Motion Michael Delaney, seconded by Ed Rose.

5. Reports:

(a) <u>Presidents Report</u>: Stan indicated that it was time to begin preparation for our annual members meeting which is scheduled for Saturday, September 24, 2022. The first administrative step is the approval of the "Request for Director Nominations Notice" which is scheduled to be mailed on Wednesday, August 17, 2022, to all CMWC members. Ed Rose motioned to modify the first sentence, changing "openings" to "positions open", seconded by Michael Delaney. Unanimous vote in favor.

An update of the USDA loan status regarding the larger, replacement water storage tank was received via e-mail from the USDA, dated August 11, 2022, stating the engineering agreement has been accepted and are now waiting to receive the bid documents from our engineering firm.

We are actively seeking additional licensed and insured local contractors to consider for our continued road repair projects now that we have the 2022-23 fiscal year funding available to proceed as planned.

During the LIHWAP application process by one of our residents requesting financial assistance for water expenses through the state offered Low Income Household Assistance Program, it was discovered that this program also includes financial assistance for propane expenses as well.

(b) <u>Treasures Report</u>: Busy Bee Accounting (Sandra Adelizi) handed out the Treasurers Report and supporting financial statements ending June 30th and July 31st, 2022, for discussion and Board approval. She also reported that we have already received our tax return documents from our last fiscal year and will be able to include, once again, those documents with the Water Company Annual Report scheduled to be mailed on September 6, 2022. Steve Johansen motioned to approve and accept the Treasurers Report and financial statements dated June 30 and July 31 as presented, seconded by Ken Trapp. Unanimous vote in favor.

(c) <u>Water Operator</u> (S&S Water Services): No representative from S&S was present. Reports were submitted via e-mail for Board review/ approval with S&S available by phone should any questions arise. Their standard monthly reports includes but is not limited to: Our water source locations with beginning and ending meter readings, infrastructure inspection and repairs, preventative maintenance performed and/or scheduled, water samples taken, test results, and invoices submitted. One water usage overage was reported. There were no questions or concerns from the directors and the S&S report was generally accepted as submitted without a motion and/or vote.

(d) <u>Firewise Brigade</u>: The community has been served by the Cal-Fire Mt. Bullion Crews removing hazardous fuel and vegetation for a total of 34 days this year.

(e) <u>Road Committee</u>: Ed Rose reported that he had purchased 36 bags of asphalt patch for pothole repair with only 4-6 bags remaining and those would be put to use after today's meeting. With road maintenance funding once again available Ed will pursue either temporary or permanent repair to the water crossing (weir) depending on overall expense, contractor availability, Fish & Wildlife permit requirements, and the current water level over the road.

(f) <u>Communications</u>: Michael reported that his contribution recently has focused on drafting and editing drought awareness documents for the membership, including policy notices, FAQs, editing the board resolution, and more. He has developed and posted public safety messages on our two Facebook groups. Michael collaborates with Carol Eggink to develop content and edit the newsletter. Plans to draft and produce the CMWC 2022 Annual Report were discussed.

6. <u>Old Business</u>: (a) Stan raised a concern to the Board regarding paragraph #8 of the CMWC Water Conservation Resolution dated 6/25/22. It states in part..."no new memberships will be issued". What action should the CMWC Board of Directors take should a property owner living within the boundary of Cascadel Woods, currently being served by their privately maintained well, run out of water based on the statewide drought situation? In the past property owners not currently served by the CMWC have been allowed to become members if they desire and at their expense. After discussion, Michael Delaney motioned to strike paragraph #8, seconded by Ken Trapp. Unanimous vote in favor.

7. <u>New Business</u>: (a) Stan reported that we are currently experimenting with a battery powered back-up system to operate the chlorinator and computer system at reservoir #1 during any PG&E black out.

(b) Stan reported that with the increased level of difficulty in obtaining grants from local charitable organizations to cover the expense of removing hazardous materials and to help maintain our community in the most fire safe environment possible, we are investigating the steps necessary to transition our Firewise Brigade Committee to a charitable organization of its own to improve our chances of obtaining grants in future.

8. <u>Closed Session</u>: Enter closed session at 4:25PM. Two members with past due accounts have vanished. They are at risk of having their memberships revoked. Final decision will be made at the October board meeting. Return to regular session at 4:45PM.

9. <u>Adjourn</u>: Motion to adjourn Ken Trapp, seconded by Steve Johansen. Unanimous vote in favor.

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