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MINUTES

Regular Board of Directors Meeting
Friday, February 22, 2019 11:00AM
CDC Conference Room

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Call to order 11:00AM

Quorum of Director's Present – Stan Eggink, Ed Rose proxy held by Ken Trapp, Ken Trapp, Ken Wood, Steve Johansen and Wayne Shortes.

Approval of Agenda – Motion to approve by Wayne Shortes, Second by Ken Trapp - Unanimous

Approval of 12-14-2018 Minutes as written – Wayne Shortes, Second Steve Johansen – Unanimous

President's Report – Stan Eggink reports the clubhouse is closed down by County due to snow damage.

An inspection will be conducted by County prior to use.

Treasurer's Report – Ken Trapp handed out financial reports to the members present. Steve Johansen reports there is a separate checking account for all Road Accounts from the Water Co. Accounts.

Motion to accept the reports as written by Wayne Shortes, second by Ken Trapp – Unanimous

Water Operator Report – Ken Wood report's five leaks were found due to freezing temperatures. Two residents had the water company shut off their water. Zero overages in January. February is different due to frozen pipes breaking. Ken will be watching the meters closely while the temperatures begin to rise for any more leaks that may have occurred but not yet exposed themselves. Member requests that the water company put out the request once more for residents to turn the water off at the meter when leaving for a long period of time. Member suggests a sign be posted at the entrance facing outgoing traffic to remind resident to make sure they turned the water off.

Road Committee – Stan Eggink asked Simon Elman to report on the status of the Road committee for Ed Rose. Simon reports 5 volunteers checked the conditions of all the roads in Cascadel and submitted a unanimous opinion of the severity of issues. The committee has submitted suggestions the order in which these issues should be resolved to Ed Rose. Ed Rose has contacted several contractors to perform the various road repairs. Only two have responded at this time.

The culverts were also inspected and some require clean out. Simon Elman and Carol Eggink cleaned out a culvert on Cascadel North. This culvert was found to be made of two kinds of materials and as a result the alignment is not even inside causing silt and dirt to gather and clog the culvert. Stan Eggink has notified the contractor on this issue and is scheduled for review and repair. The culvert at Loma Linda Dr and Cascadel Drive is a major concern and the road committee suggests roadside diverters for this area. Member states when the diverters are installed, it is common to add berms in the road to guide the water into the diverters.

Simon also reports of rain collecting on the roads and running across the roads in some areas from a heavy runoff of rain. The Road committee has looked into rain converters and other ways to divert the flow of water away from the road while not undermining the road sides.

The Bridge was observed by the committee and has suggested the bridge be inspected by a professional. Member states he used his equipment to plow roads and driveways during the snow storm. He also claims to have cleared some culverts on Cascadel Road. The member presented an Invoice to the Water Company for his services. The member stated he would like to be hired to help the community. Stan Eggink took the invoice and told the member the Board will need to look at the invoice and determine what steps to take.



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A member comments on pot holes on Cascadel Drive near Cascadel Road. Stan informed the member this has been temporarily repaired to make passage easier. Stan has discussed this area with a licensed contractor and it may be there is an underground stream in the area undermining the road. This will require an engineer to research and find a permanent fix. Materials will be placed in the subdivision to make quick repairs should the need arise. The repairs are temporary due to the continued activity of heavy equipment removing logs from the subdivision. When the heavy equipment is out of the subdivision, the permanent repairs will be made.

Stan Eggink reports the weir located at the cascades on Cascadel Road has been *unofficially* adopted by Suzann Ingham, one of our residents. She is donating \$250 a month until the total donated equals \$2,000 to assist in the cost of its repair. The cost for a permit to repair the weir is expensive and the water levels need to subside or a stream diversion technique will need to be used to make the repairs. A member suggests the Madera County Engineers, Jeremy Fairchild, be asked to submit a bid for these repairs. Stan said he would look into this. Another member suggests the use of a Rail Road car frame. This has been discussed before and will be considered.

There is a water line attached to the weir which supplies one resident. This resident states the water line appears to be sturdy at this time, but they are aware of where the shut off valves are in case of a broken line.

Firewise Committee/Brigade - Carol Eggink reports the February meeting was cancelled due to weather. In January there was a chimney fire at which the Brigade was called into action. Brian Curtis and his son Pete were first on scene. Pete, a professional Fresno firefighter was able to extinguish the fire before Cal Fire arrived. Other members of the brigade were present but not needed and so dispersed. This month we experienced a house fire fully engulfed when we were notified. Notification came in from Cascadel Heights, who also called 911. Carol and Stan Eggink got this call at 10 PM and the Brigade was called into action. Carol manned the phones for information and updates as needed. Stan located the burning structure and 911 was informed of the location. Brian Curtis, Ken Wood and Simon Elman were called to the location. As the fire crews arrived the brigade moved into the mode of fending off people who just want to look which causes dangerous conditions for those working the fire. They also guided the media and all responders to the correct location. The Brigade has spent \$1,466.32 on the installation of the street signs.

The Brigade located about 13 1 inch hoses in the bath house behind the clubhouse and has purchased reducers and nozzles to enable their use. As these hoses are tested, they will be added to the fireboxes. Simon and Carol cleared the excess dirt from a hydrant so the wrench can be turned without hindrance. It turned out the Fire crews used that particular hydrant and had no problems.

Communications – The rural Water Company AB54 sent a calendar which contained training and other educational events they offer throughout the year.

Open Discussion – Brian Curtis found some large prints of our subdivision made by Malinda Lodge and has donated them to the Water Company. He also found several photos from the 2000 winter snow storm and donated these as well.



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Unfinished Business -

A. Well #3 – Air Gap Status – If the CMWC intends to relocate the water tanks to USFS land to eliminate the Air Gap issue, the property on which the tanks are to be placed must be owned by the Water Company or have a forty year lease on the property. The CMWC Board will meet with the USFS to discuss the leasing options available.

B. USDA Storage Tank Grant - Due to the Government shut down in January, This process was on hold. They are now five - ten weeks back logged on all applications.

C. SRF Test Well Grant - The contractor for this project must survey the community. This will be done by US Mail. The survey is to determine the percentage of property owners are full time residents. This phase of the project is expected to be completed over the next two months of by May 2019. This Grant will cover (100%) one hundred per cent of the cost required to complete the project.

New Business –

A. AB54 Requirement project - Per the Rural Water Company AB54 seminar the CMWC Board completed late last year, new signs have been purchased and placed on all Water Company sites. The signs warn of prosecution if someone is found tampering with the facilities, tanks and well sites.

B. Review Bids & Award Fencing Contract - The Board has obtained several quotes for chain link fencing to be placed around all sites to further protect the facilities. Brian Curtis supplied a aerial view photo of the tank sites in order to show that there are sensitive Wet Land areas inside the locations to be fenced. These would need fencing as well. The Board determined a surveyor will be called in to verify all markers to ensure proper location of the fences. Jones and Snyder Surveyors were suggested since we have used them before. We are looking at a cost for the surveying of around \$3,000. The contract was not awarded at this time.

C. Update Cascade/Loma Linda Culvert – Stan Eggink and Ed Rose met with the USFS regarding the conditions of the Forest land runoff during high volume rains in our culverts and the resulting damage being caused to our roads and private property. The USFS will be meeting with the Board when the weather has cleared to try to determine what actions to take. The USFS has plans to spend about two to three hundred thousand dollars to reinforce the culverts along Autumn Ridge Road.

Regular meeting adjourned at 12:18PM. Motion by Wayne Shortes, second by Steve Johansen.

Convene Closed Session – Called to order at 12:22PM

Action Items: 1. Approved the interview of two people for the office position. Motion by Wayne, Second by Ken Trapp.
2. Signed documents for bank signature verification.
3. Motion to send seven (7) 30 Day Notices to delinquent accounts by Wayne Shortes, second by Steve Johansen. Vote of the Board was 4 – yes - 1- no

Closed Session Adjourned at 1:18 PM - Motion by Wayne Shortes, second by Ken Trapp.

Reconvene Regular Session at 1:23PM

Report of closed session:

1. Resolved personnel issues.
2. Effective March 1, 2019 seven (7) 30 Day Notices will be sent to delinquent accounts. Water will be shut off April 1, 2019 if accounts are not brought current.

Adjourn Regular meeting of the Board at 1: 28PM - Motion by Wayne Shortes, second by Ken Trapp.

Minutes by Carol Eggink