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MINUTES

CASCADDEL MUTUAL WATER COMPANY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2023 Location: CDC (Old Log Mill Site)

Meeting called to order at 3:01

A quorum of Directors are present: Stan Eggink, Ken Trapp, Michael Delaney, Ed Rose and Steve Johanson

Motion to approve the agenda as written was made by Ken Trapp and seconded by Steve Johanson. No objections. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Draft Minutes of the August 11, 2023 Board Meeting as written by Ken Trapp and seconded by Michael Delaney. No objections. Motion carried.

Reports:

Treasurer's Report.

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and Financials by Steve Johanson. Motion seconded by Ken Trapp. No objections. Motion carried.

Water Report.

No change. Central Cal reads the meters on the 25th of the month and collects samples.

Firewise.

Stan reported success in increasing volunteers on the Fire Brigade.

Road Committee.

Ed Rose reports, due to the severe damage cause by torrential rains of early 2023, which almost took out the bridge, we might want to look into a new exit for residents on that side of the bridge, should it ever go down and Cascadel Road becomes impassable. Discussion took place on creating a more accessible route from Cascadel Road near the water crossing on the CSA field that runs along the creek to Cascadel Drive. The biggest issue is the rather large culvert crossing. It is showing some

damage and should be supported before any kind of serious usage. The Madera Supervisors will need to be contacted to get permission to use this route for emergency access.

Sage Engineering submitted a bid to repair Cascadel Road in the area of the Cascades for \$6,500. The bid includes asphalt and drainage. A motion to approve the Sage Engineering bid made by Ken Trapp. Motion seconded by Steve Johanson. No objections. Motion carried.

The required application for a new Encroachment Permit has been submitted to Ted Michele of the Public Works Dept. of Madera County.

Residents are complaining about the speed of vehicles on our roads have become too fast. It was suggested that the speed be officially reduced to 15 mph from the current 25 mph. After discussion with Ted Michele, we were informed that there would need to be an official study on the roads by the county to see if there is enough cause to reduce the speed.

Since this was a discussion on the Cascadel Residents Facebook Group, people have put up their own signs at the roads edge of their private property. This seems to be slowing the drivers down a bit.

Communications.

Michael Delany reported no communications.

Michael Delaney is passing his responsibilities related to the community's website and other communications to Director Ed Rose.

New Business.

A resident came before the Board during the meeting to request relief from charges for excessive water usage due to leaks. After praising the Board for its organization and care of the community, the resident further expressed her appreciation for Stan's assistance and education regarding the excessive amount of water reported usage. The Board agreed to address the issue privately.

The Board agreed that an increase in water and road fees is imperative due to increased costs, storm damage repairs from early 2023, and age of the water system (tanks, infrastructure). There has been no increase in fees since 2010. The reserves are running low.

The Board discussed the possibility of allowing a Community Service District to handle the water company. After some discussion it was concluded this would not be beneficial in the long run.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn by Ken Trapp. Steve Johanson seconded the motion. No objections. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

Minutes by SI and CE