

Chemeketa Park Mutual Water Company

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Board of Directors Meeting, September 12, 2013

Present – President Linda Wallace, Vice-President Garry Shapiro, Secretary/Treasurer David Casper, Director Fred Schenkelberg, Alternate Director Brad Hartzell, Watermaster Tyler Boswell, Bookkeeper Lisa Ridenour and Diane Schenkelberg.

Not attending were Director Dan Markey and Alternate Director George Bruder.

Call to order – Linda Wallace called the meeting to order at 8:04 PM.

Acceptance of the Minutes – Minutes from the August Board of Directors Meeting and the May Annual Membership Meeting were approved (Linda motioned, Brad second)

Finance report – Lisa submitted a financial report to the Board for the month of August. The one large payment during the last month was \$1,000 to escrow for the land purchase from Aldercroft Heights Water District. There are currently eight delinquent accounts (greater than 90 days past due) and the total amount due for these accounts is \$42,178.90. Of these accounts, one has been sent a final notice, two have established payment plans and the other five have water shut off and/or had a lien filed.

Lisa reported that the annual financial review will be ready at the October meeting and that CPA Michael Murray will present it to the Board.

Water report – Treated water production for August was 1,846,200 gallons. Average daily production over 31 days was 59,555 gallons. The flow in Moody Gulch slowed again last month and is now flowing slightly above demand. Raw water turbidity ranged from 0.64 to 1.8 NTU and average finished water turbidity was 0.031 NTU (.300 NTU is the maximum turbidity allowed by the state). The plant was running at 55% of capacity.

Tyler reported that the tank refurbishment project is complete and the tanks were filled last month. He still has some tasks to complete, but will work on them over the winter. Tyler also notified the Board that during the final phase of the project he called Guy Furlo on short notice to fix the central column of the water tank. The column was previously held in place by a pin that was bent and ready to break. Guy volunteered a half-day of work to permanently weld the column in place, and the Board thanks him for his work.

Even though all the tanks are online and at least 90% full, Tyler is keeping the stage 2 water conservation signs in place. Water production is just keeping up with demand and there was another week of declining creek levels this month due to a recent heat wave. Water conservation efforts over the summer have limited demand on the system and are much appreciated.

Roads report – Fred reported on status of the road-resurfacing project. Road repairs were completed on September 11th and the first set of roads was resurfaced on the 12th. The resurfacing will continue on the 13th and finish next week on the 16th. After the work is done, the final steps will be to repaint the parking lines in front of the playground, repaint stripes on the speedbumps and install blue reflectors in the road across from each fire hydrant.

Clubhouse report – Tyler reported that the pressure washing of the clubhouse siding and decks is almost complete. He will look into putting up scaffolding to finish the upper sections and see if staining can be started before winter rains start.

There was a discussion of possible dates next month for the Oktoberfest community event. David will send out an email to Board members to finalize the date and check to make sure there isn't any conflict with reservations on the schedule. Once the date is finalized, it will be advertised to the community.

Other issues – Linda reported on her work to influence the language in Assembly Bill 904. This legislation would define a Working Forest Management Plan to permit long-term logging for landowners with less than 15,000 acres of timberlands. It would make logging in the Los Gatos Creek watershed, adjacent to the park, much more likely. Linda joined other local representatives in a meeting with Senator Jim Beall and convinced lawmakers to amend the bill to exclude the Southern Subdistrict, which includes Santa Clara and Santa Cruz Counties. The bill is currently on the Governor's desk and awaiting his signature to become law. The Board thanks Senator Beall for listening to our concerns and working to address them.

Linda also reported that she joined representatives of the Redwood Estates and Raineri (Idylwild) Mutual Water Companies to meet with County Supervisor Mike Wasserman on September 9th. They discussed transfer of the Moody Creek property from the County to Midpeninsula Open Space District, which has been stalled for the past couple of years. Supervisor Wasserman agreed to facilitate a meeting between the water companies and the open space district to finalize the agreement.

David reported on the progress of Assembly Bill 240 through the state legislature. This bill would allow mutual water companies to file liens for delinquent accounts, in addition to other matters. It has been passed by both houses and is headed to the Governor's desk for signature.

Linda adjourned the meeting at 10:34 PM

Respectfully submitted,
David Casper, Secretary

The next Board of Directors Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 10 at 8:00 PM and will be held at the Chemeketa Park Clubhouse. All members are welcome to attend.