

# Chemeketa Park Mutual Water Company

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## Board of Directors Meeting, June 12, 2014

**Present** – President Linda Wallace, Vice-President Brad Hartzell, Treasurer David Casper, Director Dan Markey, Director James Green, Alternate Director George Bruder, Alternate Director/Secretary Kim Fletcher, Watermaster Tyler Boswell and Bookkeeper Lisa Ridenour.

**Call to order** – Linda Wallace called the meeting to order at 8:02 PM.

**Acceptance of the Minutes** – Minutes from the June Annual Meeting were approved (Brad motioned, George seconded). Minutes from the April and May Board of Directors Meeting were not available, so they will be reviewed at a future meeting.

**Election of Officers** – Board officers were chosen for the 2014-15 year by unanimous consent. Linda Wallace was re-elected President, Brad Hartzel was elected Vice-President, Kim Fletcher was elected Secretary and David Casper was elected Treasurer. Dan Markey will continue to take the lead on Water Projects.

**Finance report** – Lisa submitted a financial report to the Board for the month of February. The larger payments last month were as follows:

- \$8,109.94 to Chris Sands Construction for work on the Los Gatos Creek intake project
- \$565.00 to Steven Nakashima, Civil Engineer, for work on the new tank project

There are currently seven delinquent accounts (greater than 90 days past due) and the total amount due for these accounts is \$38,104.38. Of these accounts, two were sent a past-due notice, two have established payment plans and the other three have water shut off and/or had a lien filed.

George spoke about the Playground Committee's upcoming projects. The Board has budgeted \$4,000 for playground improvements, and the committee will stretch these funds as far as possible via volunteer hours and additional contributions from community members. Priorities for the coming year are:

- Compacted gravel bike path around the playground – probably take two years to complete
- Latticework over the stage to support plants and provide shade
- Bench seating around the scarlet oak tree
- Another coat of stain on the picnic tables and benches

**Water report** – Treated water production for May was 1,703,600 gallons and average daily production over 31 days was 54,955 gallons. The flow in Moody Gulch decreased with the warmer days and nights last month and is now flowing at 10 to 15% over peak demand, depending on temperature and humidity. Raw water turbidity ranged from 1.16 to 1.42 NTU and average finished water turbidity was 0.032 NTU (.300 NTU is the maximum turbidity allowed by the state). The plant was running at 63% of capacity.

Tyler reported that on Monday, June 9<sup>th</sup> he had to turn off the plant for 6 hours because of the low water level in the dam following the 3 to 4 days of hot weather over the weekend. The creek flow recovered in the cooler weather that followed, but any hot weather this summer will take us back into the danger zone. When the hot weather returns again, Tyler will put up signs in the park requesting water conservation.

The Board discussed water conservation education and making resources available for water company members. Handouts were provided at the annual meeting. Kim and Brad will gather materials to post on the website and possibly mail a packet to members.

Tyler reported on the status of the backup water intake at Los Gatos Creek. A pipe connection burst while he was testing recently, but otherwise the system is operational. He also reported that a meeting is scheduled for next week between Aldercroft Heights and San Jose Water to discuss an agreement for Chemeketa Park to pump from the Aldercroft sump. After this preliminary meeting, it's expected that all three companies will meet to work out a deal, given concerns about the early fire season and likely shortfall of water supply this summer.

Dan reported on the new tank project. He is working with the civil engineer to finalize the site plan and expects that they will submit to the county planning commission in the next 6 to 8 weeks.

Linda reported on the status of the final agreement for the Moody Gulch property transfer. Both the County Parks Department and Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District have reviewed the proposal from the water companies and provided feedback. The defensible space agreement between Midpeninsula and Redwood Estates will be broken out as a separate agreement. Linda will continue to coordinate with the other water companies to finalize the agreement and will report back to the Board.

**Roads report** – Nothing to report this month.

**Clubhouse/Playground report** – The park cleanup program started on the weekend of June 7<sup>th</sup> with three dumpsters, and will continue next weekend with two more dumpsters. On the first weekend, there were dumpsters loaded past capacity so volunteers had to go in to repack and break down large items. Board members will be checking periodically next weekend and hopefully there will be fewer issues.

**Fire prevention** – Brad reported that CalFire is planning to go through the park in mid-July to evaluate defensible space around each property. They will leave notices for homeowners if they see dangerous conditions.

**Other issues** – The Board thanks outgoing Board members Garry Shapiro and Fred Schenkelberg for all their work in past years. They will be missed!

Linda adjourned the meeting at 10:41 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
David Casper, Treasurer and outgoing Secretary

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