

Chemeketa Park Mutual Water Company

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Board of Directors Meeting, May 9, 2013

Present – President Linda Wallace, Vice-President Garry Shapiro, Secretary/Treasurer David Casper, Director Dan Markey, Director Fred Schenkelberg, Alternate Director Brad Hartzell, Watermaster Tyler Boswell, Bookkeeper Lisa Ridenour. Also present were members Diane Schenkelberg and Mike Smith.

Call to order – Linda Wallace called the meeting to order at 8:01 PM.

Acceptance of the Minutes – The Board reviewed Minutes from the March and April meetings. Linda noted that in the April minutes, it stated “Brad signed a contract with Nate Merrill for installing the new metal roof.” In fact, it was Linda that finalized the contract and signed it. The Board approved both sets of minutes with this correction.

Election of Officers – Board Officers were chosen for the 2013-14 year by unanimous consent. Linda Wallace was re-elected President, Garry Shapiro was re-elected Vice-President and David Casper was re-elected as Secretary and Treasurer. Dan Markey will take the lead on Water Projects.

Brad Hartzell was nominated to fill an empty position as Alternate Director. Brad accepted the nomination and the Board approved the appointment (Dan motioned, David second).

Finance report – Lisa submitted a financial report to the Board for the month of April. There were two large expenses for the tank refurbishment project: \$7,486.50 to American Ornamental Iron as an initial payment for the roof construction and reissued a check for \$10,000.00 to Carson Manufacturing as an initial payment for the liner. Lisa also paid \$1,694.25 to Santa Clara County for annual property tax and was reimbursed \$1,311.43 for the annual Board dinner. There are currently nine delinquent accounts (greater than 90 days past due) and the total amount due for these accounts is \$44,207.61. Of these accounts, three have established payment plans and the other six have water shut off and/or had a lien filed.

Water report – Treated water production for April was 1,832,900 gallons. Average daily production over 30 days was 61,097 gallons. The flow in Moody Gulch decreased through April, and is now flowing about 80% over online demand. During the month, the turbidity of raw water was stable due to the lack of significant rain events or runoff. Raw water turbidity ranged from 0.81 to 1.19 NTU and average finished water turbidity was 0.038 NTU (.300 NTU is the maximum turbidity allowed by the state). The plant was running at 58% of capacity.

Tyler reported on maintenance activities at the water treatment plant:

- Tyler met with Hach service technicians on May 7th to perform the annual calibration of the plant's turbidimeters and the chlorine analyzer.
- There was a 3-phase imbalance and electrical surge at the plant that damaged the 3-horsepower raw water pump and another 14-horsepower pump motor. Tyler had to replace both pumps. The surge also affected equipment at the Aldercroft Heights plant and the San Jose Water Company pump station.

Brad and Tyler reported progress on the tank replacement project:

- Nate Merrill has received the roof materials and is bead blasting and painting the steel pieces. Nate will be on site to begin demolition of the old roof during the first week of June.
- Brad presented two quotes for clearing the brush around the tanks. This is particularly important because of the fire danger presented by on-site welding. The Board voted to accept the bid by Huerta's Tree Service of \$2,000 for brushing and clearing around the tanks and also removing the dead tree across the road from the tanks (David motioned, Dan second). This work will be completed before the end of the month.
- Tyler will put up notifications signs at the tank location and all entrances next week. There will also be information posted at <http://www.chemeketapark.org>.

Dan Markey reported progress on the new tank project:

- During the past month, Cross Land Surveying, Inc. completed the site survey. Once the final maps are ready next week, Dan will take the results to the county planning office to start discussions.

Roads report – Lisa is talking to contractors about installing signs and painting red street markings near fire hydrants. She will report back once she has more information.

Clubhouse report – Brad reported that the dumpsters were ordered for this year's Dumpster Dive. Dumpsters will be placed on the playground blacktop area on June 1st and will be available for residents to dump trash and clear out their garages and attics. More information is posted at <http://www.chemeketapark.org>.

Garry reported that a musical event is scheduled at the playground on June 21st from 8pm until dusk.

Fire prevention report – The schedule for brush chipping and pickup at the playground was posted at <http://www.chemeketapark.org>. The Board encourages all homeowners to take advantage of this free program and bring their brush and small branches (less than 8" in diameter) to the park between Friday, May 10th and Sunday, May 17th.

Brad reported that Huerta's Tree Service removed tree that was overhanging the road on upper Comanche Trail. This tree was low enough that it blocked fire trucks from passing underneath, so the road is now open in case there is an emergency.

Other Issues – Linda presented an update on the legislation AB 240 which has been approved by the State Assembly and is now in committee in the State Senate. This legislation would permit mutual water companies to file property liens against delinquent accounts.

Linda also reported on AB 904 that would allow permanent logging permits to smaller landowners. This would allow San Jose Water Company to re-apply for a permit to log their property on Los Gatos Creek, as their original application was denied in 2008. The Board voted to send a letter to the Assemblyperson chairing the committee that is considering this bill. The letter will outline the negative impacts that logging would have on our community and our water quality, and state the company's opposition to the measure (Linda motioned, Garry second).

Linda adjourned the meeting at 11:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,
David Casper, Secretary

The next Board of Directors Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 13 at 8:00 PM and will be held at the Chemeketa Park Clubhouse. All members are welcome to attend.