

MEWA Board Agenda

Saturday February 10, 2024

9:00 AM MDT via Zoom or Ross Well House

Call to order: 0925

Present:

Paul Terranova, President - Zoom

Chris Brandewie, Vice President - Zoom

Steve Kearn, Operations and Facilities - Zoom

Brent Groenke, Operations and Facilities - Absent

Lora Flinn, Secretary - Absent

Roberto Van de Wyngard, Treasurer – Zoom

Stacy Stultz, MEWA Booker – Zoom

Additions/changes to agenda: none

Approval of JAN 13TH Minutes: Approved

Financial Report: Paul suggests QuickBooks link on the website for members to make payments direct to QuickBooks. Stacey will investigate the possibility of creating individual links. A/R collection: Roberto to draft a letter to mail and email to 90+ days overdue accounts. Precede with phone calls to confirm mailing and email addresses. Due by end of February 2024. Then initiate formal collection proceedings, water shut-off, revocation of water certificates, property liens, ect. As required.

Pay BBA Water Consultants invoice for Jan 2024: \$2411.00 – Board approves this payment. The board discusses various payments and methods including reoccurring bills.

Motion by Paul to approve payments Stacey for \$1000.00 monthly for membership/certificate work. And \$885.00 monthly for Bookkeeping work. The board approves.

Financial Working Group Update: Donna Driscoll CPA services for 2023 taxes. Paul makes a motion to hire Donna as CPA FOR MEWA Taxes. Chris seconds. Motion approved.

USDA water loan annual reporting:

Chris asks if we have a due date for this. Roberto and Stacey will provide the insurance documents. Chris will continue working on this and combine it with SWAPP.

Meter Status:

Website, SCADA, Water quality: In the past board members paid \$360.00 which is the membership fee. Then the usage was comped by MEWA as an incentive for serving on the board. Paul suggests flipping this. Chris makes a motion to approve this. Second by Paul. The board approves.

Mewa Equipment and disposition: 49 meter left to distribute but this does not mean all meters have been installed.

DWR Meter Readings/Augmentation Plan: Board discussed meter reading process. Last readings taken Oct 2022. Well house reading will be taken end of April and again at the end of October.

August Plan: Opposing comments due March 8th. Water Court referee hearing March 12th. We should know by the middle of March the augmentation amendment plan status.

Twin Lakes Reservoir & Canal Company: Water certificate re-issuance: Board meeting anticipated March 8th.

378 Fir 300' line extension: Property owner has not committed to this currently.

Possible 350' line extension on Hemlock: Property owner has not committed to this currently.

Other improvements: Four possible flush locations to remove sediment and rocks. MEWA will need estimates from Werderitch. All pipes and valves will be ordered as needed.

Discussion on 4th well house: Board discusses operational needs for this project. Who will over see the effort.

Steve discusses the Huntzinger well: This is the original well from the 1960's, It has most likely been re-drilled. The second well was the Ross well put in around 2000. Ross has been a very reliable well. The 3rd well was built in 2010 and it is the only well that is pumped direct into the system. If we lose any function on any well this will hurt the system. In the summer we pump 25-30 Kgpd , the rest of the time we could get by with 2 wells.

Board discusses a meeting to discuss the logistics of the project. Attendees include Jeff, Steve, Brent, Chris and Paul. Eventually will need to include Jeremy as ORC and Tony Johnson for SCADA.

MEWA Field Director: Board discusses a paid position to manage facilities and equipment, improvements, and repairs.

Annual Meeting: July 20th at 10am at the South Fire Station.

Board discusses board members whose terms will be up. Includes Steve and Lora. Roberto will not be on the board next year.

Source Water Protection (SWP) Grant/Lead & Copper Rules: Collection of data will start now so MEWA can report in October. Board will seek input from Jeff on this report.

Other Topics: Lora is collecting data from various realtors concerning understanding of Pan Ark requirements for building in Pan Ark. 2 realtors have responded.

Board discusses the MEWA email and ownership of the account.

Donna Driscoll CPA services will be doing the MEWA taxes this year.

Adjourn: 10:20am

Respectfully,

Lora Flinn, Secretary