

Regular Meeting of the SVMWC Board of Directors
Monday, March 11, 2019
Minutes

Call to Order

President John Johnson called the meeting of the Squaw Valley Mutual Water Company Board of Directors to order at 3:32 PM on March 11, 2019 at the Squaw Valley Public Service District offices.

Roll call and establish quorum- Bob Barnett

Directors Present: Johnson, Barnett, Burkhart, Guilford, and Stepner

Directors Absent: None

A quorum of the Board was established

Also present were Brandon Burks Office Manager Daniel Collin and recording secretary Judy Friedman. Eric Poulsen arrived at 3:57 PM.

Roll call and establish a quorum-Bob Barnett

Call for Public Comment

There were no comments on items not on today's agenda.

Call for Agenda Additions

Stepner asked that a President's Report be added to today's agenda.

Adopt the Agenda

It was moved by Stepner and seconded by Guilford to adopt today's agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Operation & Maintenance Report-Brandon Burks

Burks presented the January and February Water Operations Reports. Things have been very busy with the heavy snows. He's been working with XiO on repairs and upgrading the system from 3G to 4G with Verizon. Burks has been coordinating snow removal with the ski area to improve drainage. He described how other snow related issues have been addressed.

Office Managers Report-Daniel Collin

An owner contacted Collin about the owner's home being charged for full water use, in spite of the fact that the home burned down a year ago. The house next door is showing zero use for the past year. Collin needs to get the meter reading to determine what is going on, but it is inaccessible due to snow. In the meantime, the bill has been adjusted to reflect a vacant lot.

The State Water Resource Board is trying to identify where lead or unknown metal pipes are still in use. Collin needs to prepare a report to explain what is being done with pipes made from unknown metals. There are no lead pipes in Squaw Valley. Burks will work with Shaw Engineering to compile the report using the most current mapping.

Backflow Testing & Compliance Update-Daniel Collin

Collin reported he has received very few responses to the most recent outreach. Burks said SVPSD starts sending out testing requirements in May, but given the heavy snows it will be tough to get compliance.

Treasurer's report-David Stepner

Stepner presented the Treasurer's Report as of February 28, 2019. There are 4 one-year delinquencies. A brief discussion followed regarding strategies to collect. Stepner and Johnson will reach out to the customers.

USDA Loan up-date. Application cost review. John Johnson

Johnson reported he and Steve Brigman participated in a conference call with three engineers from USDA. The report is included in the meeting packet, including loan terms. The current interest rate is a full percentage point higher than what was quoted last year and that rate is only good until April 2019. The scope of environmental requirements is being reviewed. Discussion followed regarding other funding options, including a bank in Colorado referred by USDA.

Stepner reported based on a \$4 million loan, the payoff could be \$750 per customer for 40 years. Discussion continued regarding the variables in the loan request and projects that were included so a full scope could be considered. Johnson hopes to hear from USDA next week regarding the level of environmental documentation that will be required.

Newsletter for June 2019-Bob Barnett

Barnett will begin work on the newsletter. Suggestions for articles included a notice about installing a water shutoff in the home and knowing how it work, shelter in place information from Squaw Valley Fire Department, a suggestion to adopt a fire hydrant, and potential loan information if it is available. Additional articles will include how customers can access their water usage online and suggestions for low water landscaping.

AGENDA ADDITION: President's Report

Johnson reported that per direction from the Board, a letter was sent denying a request to combine lots for billing purposes. No response was received, the bills for all lots have been paid.

Future Meetings:

April 15, 2019 at 4PM

June 3, 2019 at 4 PM

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 4:49 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Friedman

Recording Secretary

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