



Volcano Community Services District
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PUBLIC MEETING
Amory Hall – In Person Meeting
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
December 2, 2021

Directors: Nancy Bailey- President
Jane Norcross – Vice President
Gerald (Skip) Schippers – Director
Michael Sorensen - Director
Cynthia Corral – Director

The agenda was posted at the Armory Hall, Store, and Post Office on, 11/27/2021. President N. Bailey called the meeting to order at 7:02pm. A motion was made by J. Norcross, to approve the consent agenda and minutes of the previous meeting, C. Corral 2nd and all ayes.

STAFF REPORTS/ITEMS:

Billing Secretary/Treasurer's/Secretary's Report: S. Owens: – See October & November Treasurer's report.

S. Schippers made a motion to not renew membership with the Amador Chamber of Commerce, as the hall is not rented to the public and membership is no longer needed, N. Bailey 2nd and all ayes.

C. Corral followed up on last meetings inquiry about a property that was approved for a meter but never had it installed. The conclusion is the meter was never installed and the permit expired two years after the application was approved. The property does not have any water rights and will need to apply again, however, the district has a moratorium on new water hookups.

District Engineer's Report – N. Lawson and J. Mottishaw –

Water Capacity, Flow and Maintenance. The water in the tunnel is about the same as it was a year ago. The water is 24gpm at the weir, last time it was 19gpm, however, that is not a true indication of flow because there are other factors to consider, such as, usage has decreased. The heavy rains forced the plant to be turned off for a few days.

Well repair: The well work has been completed, however, there is a pressure spiking issue. This could be caused by a closed valve or crushed pipe. The engineers are working to locate the problem.

Fencing – The state is not requiring the fencing as previously indicated. **A motion was made by S. Schipper to check the cost of new roofs for the kennels and if the cost is lower and the Lowes fencing can be returned, the engineers are to go with the cheaper options, J. Norcross 2nd and all ayes.**

Union – Grey water leak – discussion ensued. Belief is that it is a sump pump in the basement. The dishwasher may be spilling and draining there. **N. Bailey made a motion for S. Schippers to write a letter and send it to the Union. C. Corral 2nd and all ayes.**

There is a leak at the park and the drinking fountain. J. Mottishaw will check on them.

Tree removal near the water treatment building – no report

Backflow device certification – The St. George now has a device in place.

Curb stops – exercise them – M. Gottstein mentioned a spreadsheet for keeping track and will forward to the engineer. J. Mottishaw reported some have been done but not all.

Capital Improvements: - On hold until permit is complete

Regular Meeting AGENDA ITEMS Current:

1. **Restroom use and agreement with Sizemore Store** - An email was received with pictures of the restroom not in a clean and appropriate manner. It is realized that this has been a problem for decades and the public can be hard on them. The restrooms were inspected a few days prior by T. Sizemore and S. Owens. The restrooms were found in good condition. T. Sizemore

let S. Owens know that they would like to keep up the agreement to maintain the restrooms, as it is good for the community. The store does have a restroom they can use but like having the public restrooms to use as well and it is good for Volcano guests. A representative from the store thought a local business fund could pay for regular deep cleaning of the restrooms. They will look into it.

2. **Armory Hall Items:**

- a. **Covid-19 pandemic – Hall & Park Update COVID protocol** – no report
 - b. **Hall repairs, toilet, & ADA door strip** – Ellie Rutt from the VCA offered help with some of the VCSD needed repairs and clean-up. N. Bailey agreed to send Ellie Rutt a list of items that they can consider helping out with.
 - c. **Hall Cleaning** – The VCA will consider helping with regular cleanings to keep the hall clean. They have students that need volunteer hours.
 - d. **Hall stairs – metal strip replacement and painting of steps** – VCA may help with this item.
 - e. **Reservation update – Action**
 - i. **Hall use for December – Scots Walk, etc.** – The Scots Walk will be held this Saturday and the VCA will hold its annual potluck in the hall later in the month. S. Schippers noted the water heater is electric and would need to be turned on and off for each use.
3. **VCA – Ellie Rutt** – See previous notes.
 4. **Water Conservation measures** – The petition to request additional water beyond 55 gallons per day, per person was withdrawn. There must be clear and detailed reasons to request more water, such as fire safety. Now that we are in winter, there is not a compelling reason to request additional water. Spring would be a time to consider such action. Should the district be granted additional water, there will be monthly reporting requirements. Information about the curtailment and conservation measures will be posted on the VCSD website.
 5. **Cemetery Maintenance** – E. Rutt let the VCSD know that the VCA would like to help out with maintenance and upkeep but does not know what they can and cannot do. They will mow and cut weeds but do not know what they can do about the headstones. It will be investigated.
 6. **Annual Audit** – No report – S. Owens will have a recommendation at the February meeting.
 7. **Board Ethics training and Certificates** – Board member contact information has been sent to CSDA who has online ethics training.
 8. **SB 403-Consolidation of At-Risk Water Districts – SS read an article that a small town the had wells that ran dry. The new law allows neighboring town to provide water and there are grants for the hookup. It is a right. It is unknown where the water would come from.** – This is just information for the VCSD to know should the Cleveland Tunnel not supply enough water for the town. The VCSD would need state funding to consider this as an option, as Amador Water would be the closed source.

Hearing for those who wish to address the board: M. Gottstein mentioned a situation that involved the possibility of moving a meter, as the property owner has installed a fence. M. Gottstein mentioned there have been three meters that have been moved at the VCSD's expense, however, the reasoning was not recalled. The board made a decision at the September 30th regular meeting to not allow a fence to block access to the meter. Meter access must be maintained for meter reading, maintenance, leaks, and other things. It was suggested the VCSD pass a retroactive ordinance to restrict action that would put a meter behind a locked gate or fence. This item will be on the February agenda. C. Corral and N. Bailey will draft and send a letter to the property owner.

Adjournment

J. Norcross made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:04pm, S. Schippers 2nd and all ayes.

Submitted

Sharon Owens

Secretary