

SIERRA COUNTY WATERWORKS (CALPINE) – DISTRICT #1

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, December 11, 2024

Directors in Attendance: Lindsey Hamilton, Bruce Troedson, Russell Rosewood

Public in Attendance: N/A

Call to Order: 6:06pm

Meeting Minutes of November 13, 2024; Approved as written.

NEW BUSINESS: N/A

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **HANSFORD CONSULTING/FUNDING APPS PROGRESS & OTHER: Well and Treatment Plant - SRF Grant;** A claim will be filed before the end of this year for reimbursement to the District for soft costs and property acquisitions from June 2021 to the present for upcoming improvements.
2. **ENGINEER’S REPORT: Well and Treatment Plant;**
 - a. **Proposal for Engineering Services** – Reviewed and approved.
 - b. **November 8, 2024 Zoom meeting regarding SRF Grant** – Attendance; Ryan Mitchell, Dean Marsh, Catherine Hansford, Bruce Troedson, Janet Drummond and Lindsey Hamilton. Items discussed were shared with the Board.
3. **WATER OPERATORS REPORT:**
 - a. **Water Samples;** Routine distribution system total coliform, post filter arsenic, chromium and PFAS samples were collected for Well #1 and #2 per the California State Water Resources Control Board requirement. No PFAS were detected.
 - b. **System Operation;** Operating as designed. All winterization tasks have been completed.
 - c. **Usage and Leak Reports;** Distributed. Abnormally high individual usage amounts, possibly due to a carry over following notification to the customer. will be reviewed at the January 2025 meeting.
 - d. **Production;** November 2024 – 464,429 (gal); 3-Year Average – 456,350 (gal); Difference – 2% increase.

ADMINISTRATIVE/ MAINTENANCE - ACTION AND DISCUSSION:

1. **Meeting with Jeremy Sadler/ACWA JPIA;** Bruce accompanied the representative for a safety inspection of District properties. All sites were deemed secure. No obvious hazards were observed. Bruce noted that the expended arsenic media has been removed, invoice pending.

CORRESPONDENCE – ACTION & DISCUSSION:

The owner at 100 Mountain View has requested a copy of an evaluation to determine the possibility or probability of a cross connection occurring on the property. It was stated by a current Board member, who was on the Board at the time, that a backflow device was installed by Ron Behm in 2004. The District doesn't keep records of such evaluations and will recommend the owner have a licensed cross-connection specialist not contracted by the District conduct a survey of the property at the owners expense. The District will provide a referral.

Section 1.030 A, of the District's Cross-Connection Ordinance clearly states that each service connection from the District water system for supplying water to premises having an auxiliary water supply shall be protected against backflow of water from the premises into the public water supply. Section 1.040 C, states that backflow assemblies must be tested annually and that the cost shall be borne by the water user.

BUDGET/ FINANCIAL UPDATE: September; Beginning balance - \$260,327.65, Ending Balance – \$265,455.44.

Invoices approved:

Mountain Water Management and Services Inv #1160	\$1,937.50 a/c #7012
Janet Drummond Secretary Duties 11/13/24 – 12/11/24	703.47 a/c #7012
Melody Strong Bookkeeping Inv #196	50.00 a/c #7012
ACWA JPIA Liability Program - Policy Year 10-1-2024 thru 2025	2,131.13 a/c #7012
USDA Forest Service Reservoir Special Use Permit 2025	78.36 a/c #7012
Hansford Economic Consulting LLC Inv #773	788.75 a/c #5165
BKS Law Firm Legal Services for October 2024	9,574.90 a/c #5165
SVGMD Inv #2420	200.00 a/c #7012

ADJOURNMENT: 7:10pm

**Respectfully submitted,
Janet Drummond, Secretary**

Janet Drummond

