

PLACE: Fire Department, 129 Willow Road
MEETING CALLED BY: Glenn Inouye, Chairman
ATTENDEES: Glenn Inouye, Chairman
Brent Miller, Dan Connors, Ray Tompauskas, Bill
Dunlap, Gary Wright (District Manager)
Public: Brian Cashore

NEXT MEETING:
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Minutes Submitted By: Bill Dunlap, Secretary

1. Special Meeting called to order by Glenn Inouye at 6:25 PM
2. Financial Report by Brent Miller. Discussion on paying off the Hilltop loan with a balance of \$18,736. A recent grant to the Wheeler Crest Community Service District would cover this payment and leave a balance of approximately \$10,000 for the Hilltop District to cover other expenses. This payoff would save the District approximately \$1100 in interest payments. Dan Connors moved and seconded by Ray Tompauskas to approve the payoff. The motion passed with no dissensions.
3. Glenn discussed backflow procedures. An air gap in the tank for the upper area domestic fire suppression water tanks will prevent backflow into the water system. Residents without a nearby fire hydrant must have their own 2500 gallon tank for fire safety. The Wheeler Crest Community Services District will start a database for backflow inspections where there is a potential for cross contamination. This will occur when a new "certificate of occupancy" is issued by the Mono County Building Inspection Dept. and backflow devices are identified. This inspection must be completed annually by the homeowner otherwise their water will be shut off. Glenn has a list of State certified inspectors qualified to make these inspections. Brent Miller moved and Dan Connors seconded a motion to adopt these inspection procedures. The motion passed with no dissensions.
4. Glenn discussed the State requirement for select areas within California to implement a Ground Water Management plan. This bill was passed in 2014 and must be completed by 2021. Mono County has moved to form an agency to meet the 5/30/2017 deadline. It is still undetermined whether it is to our advantage to join the Inyo County Agency or the Mono County agency. At this time many questions remain on how this will be done. The potential cost to satisfy the requirements of building a Groundwater Sustainability Management Plan is estimated at approximately one million dollars with a possible grant of

approximately \$600,000 to help the Owens Valley Basin meet these expenses. Glenn has been meeting with both Mono and Inyo County officials on a regular basis to formulate this plan.

5. Glenn reported on Race Communications plans for installing fiber optic cable in the Swall area. Concerns involve possible trenching in areas with District water pipes. Glenn and Gary discussed marking areas with District water pipes to prevent accidental disruption to our customers by this trenching operation. Remarking of the pavement with blue paint of our water system is scheduled for Saturday 6/3. All board members are encouraged to attend.
6. Discussion for a tribute to Harvey VanDyke. Dan Connors moved and Brent Miller seconded a motion to honor Harvey with a Plaque, certificate of appreciation and letter. The motion was passed.
7. Motion to end meeting at 7:40 PM. Moved by Ray Tompauskas and seconded by Brent Miller to end meeting. The motion was passed with no dissensions.