

Wheeler Crest Community Service District

Minutes of Special Meeting March 4, 2015
Wheeler Crest Fire Station, Swall Meadows, CA

Attendees:

Directors: Brent Miller, Dan Conners, Mike Day, Ray Tompauskas, Glenn Inouye

Public: Gary Wright

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM

New Business

1. State Emergency Water Use Regulations: Brent suggested delaying sending out the water usage reports due to the Round Fire of February 6, 2015. Glenn agreed but suggested waiting until later in the meeting to discuss this further; the board agreed.
2. Excess Usage Relief for Davis: Brent made a motion to wave the excess fees for the Davis residence, 790 Rimrock Drive. The board agreed unanimously.
3. Roberts' (lot owner on the Rimrock Drive cul-de-sac) Offer of a Donation for Moving Hydrant: Robert's offer is for a \$5000 donated to the District in lieu of him paying for moving the hydrant. The Board rejected his offer. Brent will notify Roberts.
4. Reduction of Fees for Round Fire Victims Whose Homes have Burned:
 - a. Waive Fees for Construction Water: Brent motioned that we waive all water fees for new construction for the homes that were destroyed in the Round Fire. Dan suggested we have them sign an agreement and to have the hydrant metered. The program would be in effect for two years from the date of the fire, February 6, 2015. Glenn suggested we

give the information to the WC Fire Safe Council to be passed along to the property owners. Gary suggested we create a form for the contractors to sign for use of the water. A \$500 deposit would be required and to be held by the District until construction on the project is completed. This would be considered a permit for construction water usage. The secretary will create a form to be sent to the board for approval.

- b. Reduce Assessment to Unconnected Rate: The Board agreed to reduce the assessments of the property to the unconnected rate for homes that have burned.
 - c. Other Ideas: Dan asked about any expenses that have occurred to the District on the burned homes. Gary suggested that the District consider reimbursing Mammoth Community Water District for the use of their generator during the time the power was out. Brent will check with the insurance company to see if that would be covered. Gary might be able to produce an invoice for the insurance company.
5. Reconstruction of Well House 1: Well House 1 was destroyed by the Round Fire. Brent talked to the insurance company and got all the amounts of coverage on Well House 1. Brent also stated that the insurance coverage will be increased without an increase in the premiums. Gary suggested we take the storage tank out of Well House 2 and use the space for storage. Glenn stated that the cleanup can be done by Cal Recycle at no charge. Cal Recycle said they will work with us on what needs to be removed. If the concrete slab has to be removed, the board agreed that it might be better to start over with a totally new Well House 1. Glenn has the form to send to Cal Recycle. The board agreed to have him complete, sign, and send it in. Glenn also brought up the possibility of the cleanup crews damaging our lateral lines. Gary stated that all lines should be USA marked and that he will stake out the meters on the burned homes. The Board will need to create some plans for the rebuilding of the Well House. Gary suggested

contacting Triad and see if they would be willing to do it at no charge. We will need the plans for getting bids for the construction to send to our insurance company. Glenn brought up that OES (Office of Emergency Services) had said they could possibly help financially for the construction of the Well House. They may pay some of the deductible or some of the construction. He will call them to get the details on if they can help pay for some of the cost.

6. Request from Jay Jensen to be added to Hilltop System: Jensen wants to connect to the Hilltop Water system for the irrigation of his landscape during the time before he rebuilds his home. Brent brought up the fact that the Hilltop system has fewer than 15 customers hooked up to it. If we have a system that has 15 or more customers, it changes the rating of the system and the cost goes up for the District. The Board is considering a temporary line from an existing neighbor to the Jensen property in order to water his landscape. Brent will advise Jensen of the Board's decision.

7. The Board agreed to send out a letter on water conservation, and to follow up with the usage number per customer at a later date.

Adjournment: 8:25PM

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Day
Secretary