

Wheeler Crest Community Service District

Minutes of Hilltop Owners Meeting November 18, 2016

Attendees:

Directors: Glenn Inouye, Mike Day, and Brent Miller

Public: Bill Dunlap, Judy and Michael Bornfeld, Karen Allen, Brian Cashore

Directors Absent: Ray Tompauskas and Dan Conners

The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM.

- 1. Introductions:** Glenn introduced the board to the people present from the Hilltop Community.
- 2. Background: New Well Overview and Water Usage:** Glenn presented a power point presentation on the new well operation and a complete annual water usage by month.
- 3. Review Tank Inspection Findings:** Glenn presented to the group the report on the inspection of the tank located at Mountain View and Orchard Rd. The report also included some cost to repair and recoat the inside of the tank.
- 4. Review of Financial Options:** Glenn went over the proposal given by the tank inspectors and the break down per homeowner on their cost if they agreed to a one-time assessment. He also explained that the inspectors felt that a replacement of the tank would be very expensive. The homeowners made a suggestion to raise the water rate by 30% to help pay down their loan to LSMWD, and have more money for the maintenance of their system. The board agreed to have a meeting to begin the process to raise the rate by 30%. Brent brought up that the board is still trying to get more money on the original grant for the Hilltop well. He will advise everyone if he receives any information on the additional grant money.
- 5. Other Alternatives/Discussion:** The homeowners suggested that we send the repair work out for bid and see what comes back. They also

- want a bid on replacing the tank. They would like the bids to be presented to the homeowners who were at the meeting. The board agreed to send the bids out on both repairing the tank and replacing it.
- 6. Decisions ? Next Steps:** The board will send out bids for repairing or replacing the tank and inform the homeowners when the bids come in. The board will begin the process of getting a rate increase of 30% for all homeowners. Glenn will draft the first letter and send to the homeowners present on the 30% rate increase.
 - 7. Artesian Usage:** Glenn suggested we shift to using the Artesian water for most of the winter. The well will have to be turned on from time to time. Brian Cashore volunteered to help with the switching of the system. The board will come up with a schedule after talking to Gary Wright.

ADJOURMENT: 8:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Day
Secretary