

Yosemite Alpine Community Services District
Approved Minutes of Board Meeting
August 27, 2022

CALL TO ORDER. Chair Patti Frey called the meeting to order at 11:05 am via ZOOM and live in the Tenaya Lodge. Secretary Karen Glendenning called the roll: Chair Patti Frey – here, Vice Chair Tim McGinty – here, member Barry Green – here, Treasurer John Hastrup – excused, Secretary Karen Glendenning – here. Quorum established with 4 in attendance with 1 excused.

INTRODUCTIONS. Chair Frey welcomed District 1 Supervisor Rosemarie Smallcombe to the meeting. Self-introductions were performed: Stan Muscio, Thorn and Anne Hertwig, Karen Green and Brenda McGinty. No one attended via ZOOM.

MINUTES OF 4/23/2022. Minutes were approved. **Motion:** To approve the Minutes of April 23, 2022. Motion: McGinty, 2nd: Green. Vote: Frey – aye, McGinty – aye, Green – aye, Hastrup – excused, Glendenning – aye. Passed, 4-0, with 1 excused.

TREASURER’S REPORT. Treasurer Hastrup had to attend to family matters and is excused. Reports will be accepted at the next YACSD board meeting.

WATER MASTER’S REPORT. Water Master Tim McGinty reported the annual Electronic Annual Report was filed with the state. The repairs on water leak at Black Pine Way were completed. Chair Frey offered thanks to Tim and Brenda McGinty for the clean-up along easements on Silvertip Lane and Black Pine Way this summer. Chair Frey reported that several board members and spouses cleaned up the tank lot on Forest Drive. McGinty reported he is working on the infrastructure improvements list. McGinty stated he wants to start replacing broken meters with ones that have electronic/remote reading capabilities. Barry Green reported the last IRWMP (Integrated Regional Water Management Plan) had a meter replacement project listed. He asked of the status of the project on the list to be completed. Supervisor Smallcombe said she would send next IRWMP meeting notice to YACSD.

PUBLIC FORUM. Supervisor Smallcombe reported the next IRWMP meeting will be Octo. 27, 2022. Karen Green asked of the Sierra Tel planned upgrade on their lines from lot 32 to lot 36. Glendenning said Sierra Tel will contact Tim McGinty when the work is planned. Karen Green inquired of the door hangers for window washing that was left at her home. McGinty said it was a person who was cleaning windows and was advertising for more jobs. Karen Glendenning asked of the PG&E notice for Wed., Aug. 31. McGinty reported that PG&E will be replacing poles around Fish Camp. Glendenning said some people may not have received notice. Board gave direction to have YACSD send out quick reminder to all property owners.

OLD BUSINESS

LETTER REVIEW – JEFFREY AND SHIRLEY BOSWELL. Mr. Boswell had attached a letter to his Prop 218 protest this past spring. Boswell offered several suggestions for YACSD to accomplish. It was decided to send the Boswell letter to our attorney for review.

DELINQUENT BILLS. Discussion was held with noting that the COVID-19 ban on water shut-off has expired for non-payment of bills. YACSD can send shut-off notices after outstanding bill is 30 over-due. Chair Frey will draft a bylaw change for the next meeting.

INFRASTRUCTURE REPLACEMENTS/IMPROVEMENTS. Upgrading the water meters to radio transmitting meters was discussed. As meters are replaced have them be the new upgraded remote read meters. McGinty was given direction to explore cost of 6 new meters

EXPIRING BOARD TERMS AND ELECTION FILING DATES.

Tim McGinty and Barry Green filed their election papers with Mariposa County. Patti Frey is not seeking reelection. There is one opening on the board. Elections will be in November.

NEW BUSINESS.

ANNEXATION OF BLOCK D PROPOSAL BY PAUL GIUNTINI. Mr. Giuntini had sent an email to Tim McGinty this past summer exploring if YACSD would want to take over water delivery to Block D properties. The Silvertip developers would supply water to the Block D area and YACSD would administer and charge fees for the water, infrastructure and administration.

Discussion brought up these topics: the need for Engineering Reports as to the feasibility of this proposal; is YACSD capable of supplying the water and administrative oversight; is YACSD financially able to cover the potential expenses and how to fund the expenses; are the property owners of Block D willing to come into the district; and is there enough water to cover the needs for all involved.

Thorn Hertwig said the Block D water system is very antiquated and the property owners do not currently pay for water service nor delivery. It is unknown if the Block D property owners would be willing to pay for the upgrades of their system much less pay for the water.

Barry Green asked if there is a potential buyer for the Silvertip property.

McGinty said Pam Salisbury (from Block D) asked questions on what is intended with this proposal.

Dick Ryon had sent an email reminding the board that PacificUS Real Estate Group had filed a lawsuit versus YACSD regarding our right to the water in the meadow and stated that they had more money than you (YACSD). Ryon stated that YACSD needs to weigh the assets vs the liabilities of this proposal.

The need to keep systems separate was discussed, as Block D receives water from a spring. Chair Frey will contact Mr. Giuntini for a better understanding / breakdown of the proposal.

BEAR PROOF TRASH CONTAINERS. Several vacation rentals have been having bears get into their garbage cans. Signs are required inside rentals on how to deal with storing garbage. Supervisor Smallcombe commented that county code for vacation rentals requires compliance with Bear Prevention Control Measure in Section 8.44. It was suggested that photos of garbage being strewn about be sent to the Sheriff's office. Fines/fees can be assessed by the County.

MARIPOSA GRAND JURY 2021-2022 REPORT. Chair Frey said she reviewed the Grand Jury report for 2021-22 and it shows that YACSD responded to the Grand Jury report for 2020-2021 as we were supposed to do. McGinty will post info on the website.

UTILITY BILL FORMATTING. Dick Ryon sent email regarding if property owners know where the money is going that is collected. Following discussion it was decided to expand the info on what the bill categories include in the coming year's annual billing.

NEW ITEMS BY DIRECTORS. Karen Glendenning reported the Cedar Valley Volunteer Fire Deep Pit BBQ will be in September.

NEXT MEETING. Saturday, November 19, 2022 was chosen for the next meeting date. Preferred time is 11:00 am – 2:00 pm with the alternate time 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Secretary Glendenning will check with the Tenaya Lodge for availability.

ADJOURNMENT. The meeting was adjourned at 1:19 pm. **Motion:** McGinty, 2nd: Green, 4-0 aye voice vote, with 1 excused.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Glendenning
YACSD Secretary