

# Markleeville Water Company

## Meeting Minutes

February 19,2022

**This meeting was conducted via Zoom & phone due to Alpine County Covid restrictions on County building use and people meeting.**

### Directors in attendance:

Mary Young [Pres]

Becky Thornburg [V.Pres]

Mark Schwartz

Kris Hartnett

### Directors not in attendance:

Lloyd Van Doren

Meeting was called to order by President Mary Young at 8:35am

Approval of the Jan 15/22 Minutes. **It was regularly M/S/c to approve the minutes with out edit or amendment. [Schwartz/Thornburg]**

### COMMENTS:

- **Mr. Bill Young** asked about compensation for those individuals that maintained the water system operable during the Tamarack fire.
- **Mr. Tim Lovell** Letter he presented to MWC regarding water billing during Tamarack Fire

**No action on these items could be taken as the items are no on the Feb 19/22 agenda.**

President Young requested these items to be on the March director's meeting agenda and Thornburg draft a response to Mr. Lovell.

### DIRECTORS REPORT

- A. **Operations report & Water production** report was distributed prior to the meeting. Highlites of the reports were given by Director Hartnett. As a part of the Operations report the Directors were informed MWC would be purchasing a replacement 'trash pump' as the old pump was no longer serviceable and no parts available. There were no other questions or comments by the Directors on the reports.  
Discussion followed concerning the AP/AR Computer failing and needing repair. It was determined to repair the AP/AR computer for the present.
- B. **Grant funded Water System Planning** [Pres Young]
  - a. Carson Sub-conservancy. not submitting an application – Forest Service will be planning and actuating restoration in Musser and Jarvis watershed. They do not want anyone else

working there. They have a public meeting in the works – directors should stay informed on this.

- b. NRCS – we applied to two programs. Informed NRCS the FS will not approve a watershed project including the in-stream erosion control ideas discussed with NRCS. Withdrew both applications
  - c. State and Private Forestry grant – MWC went in with the county on this grant (applied for money for watershed restoration, improvements at the intake, and improvement to our access road to the intake). Grant was funded for 1.8 million, but **preliminary** understanding of the funding is that it is for outreach to private landowners, development of forest management plans and assistance to private landowners. HOWEVER, the funding agreement phase with the county has not started yet. It will take 1-2 months. Young emailed JT at the county and asked him to keep MWC in the loop.
  - d. SWRCB construction grant for the West Yost project. State is actively reviewing our application. They had three questions on the General and Technical Packages. Working with Andy to get answers back.
  - e. DWR Small Communities Grant for a new well. West Yost agreed to get info to MWC so we can get the application done.
  - f. Chamber Grant for seeding – Alpine Watershed Group will do monitoring plan. Young reviewed preliminary plan, they will submit the final plan to MWC board for approval. There is more seed for planting in the spring. FS is OK with us doing this
- C. **Website report** by [Director Schwartz], update on views and contacts. Mr. Young's name has been removed from the website as the MWC contact.

## OLD BUSINESS

- A. Report on Submain project [Director Hartnett] MWC acquiring Quotes from Contractors to complete the project. Thus far only one submission from White Rock construction in the amount of \$78,975.00.  
Directors requested more bids.
- B. Additional Dwelling units report by [Director Hartnett]. MWC was represented at two county meetings on the County Housing Element document, a Planning open forum and board of supervisors meeting. At both of these meetings MWC addressed to the county that MWC could not support Additional Dwelling Units in its Service area. Housing Element document includes the MWC letter to the County articulating the MWC position, on ADU's. Housing
- C. Arrearages Payment Program, after discussion, it was M/S/c to send a letter to all Corporation members that received the State Arrearage payments to better explain the background.

## NEW Business

- A. Robert Merrick fee waiver. As there was no letter received from Mr. Merrick addressing his interest in a fee waiver. It was M/S/c to withdraw this New Business Item
- B. Intake Camera was reported on by Pres Young with assistance from her husband Bill on the installation and usage of the camera. Camera cost \$294.97 annual data plan cost \$162.00 Some Director questions followed.

**OTHER MATTERS**

**There were several topics discussed. No formal action was taken on any of the items.**

**ADJOURNMENT** M/S/c to adjourn as there was no further business before the Directors.  
**[Hartnett/Thornburg]**