

MINUTES OF PONDEROSA BASIN MUTUAL WATER COMPANY BUDGETARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS/MEMBERS

Saturday, January 27th, 2018 – 10:00 AM
Meeting held at Ponderosa Basin Fire House

Meeting was called to order by Gilbert Bustos, President of Board of Directors at 10:02 AM the Ponderosa Basin Fire House, located on Creel Road, Mariposa, CA

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Gilbert Bustos, President Board of Directors; Troy Newlon, Secretary; Larry Jones

STAFF PRESENT: Aleardo (Tuffy) Donati, Water Operations Supervisor; Art Leuchner, Water Operator; Alana Leuchner, Office Assistant; Bobbie Hensley, Office Manager

ATTENDANCE: 26

Gil declared that he had received a resignation letter from Daniel Robarge as well as Tuffy Donati stating that due to constraints of time and lack of family time that both felt they were unable to fulfill the duties of the Board of Directors; Gil further stated that Steve Jones had been contacted and has agreed to return to the Board. The Board will still need one additional Board Member as well as an Alternate.

Gil stated that since this meeting was called to cover the Budget only, that all new business would be tabled and we would cover any other business at the next regular Board Meeting in February, 2018.

Gil related that our auditors had been requested to come in early in order to get actual numbers to work from. He discussed the current rates and other rate structures- stating that utility rates had spiked dramatically and that we were expecting two more rate increases in utilities in the near future. Also discussed was the budget for payroll. As well as discussion regarding the solar – pertaining to Power Purchase and financing.

It was stated that according to AB52 we, as a water company, are required to have a budget.

Current rates and comparisons of \$85.00 per month and rate increases to \$90.00 were handed out for perusal and discussion.

It was brought up that we have not come up with a new asset replacement plan. Monies now in the Asset Replacement Account are \$32,796.40.

Backflow connections were discussed. Next subject discussed was changing the billing back to monthly to stay on top of delinquency.

We now have \$14,000.00 in our Operations Reserve Account (at this time last year, we did not have an account for savings).

Gil then returned to proposed rate increase and stated that he had been speaking with the auditors and that they provided necessary information in order to be forthcoming with a new budget as well as determining a rate increase.

Discussion regarding officers positions and a show of hands on who would be willing to serve in the capacity of Board Member. Gil asked for volunteers for Secretary and Treasurer or Secretary/Treasurer.

Gil asked for a motion to accept the proposed budget and further recommended a \$10.00 increase (to \$90.00 per month). Larry Jones recommended that we accept the budget. 2nd Troy. **MSC**

There being no further business, Larry Jones moved to close the meeting at 11:22 AM. Second by Troy Newlon. **MSC**

Respectfully submitted,

Bobbie L Hensley
Office Manager