

# **SILVER CREEK VILLAGE WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION**

## **Minutes of the Board of Directors**

### **19 February 2025**

**Meeting called to order:** At Noon by Tim Smith, President

**Present:** President Tim Smith, Secretary/Treasurer Paul M. Miller, Member-At-Large William Cain, Business Manager Stacy Brown, Assistant Business Manager Mary Ann Pennington, Water System Operator Joey Krueger.

**Absent:** Vice-President Barry Dawson, Assistant Water System Operator Jay Everett.

**Invocation:** Given by Tim Smith.

#### **Order of Business:**

**Minutes:** The minutes from the January Board meeting were approved.

#### **Ops Report:**

Two meters changed out. Installed a pump today at 3G. Checked the pump recommended by Butch. We do not need to have a threaded pump connection. Discussed making the connection with that pump. Labor and parts to repair the old pump would cost as much as the new pump. Joey will research the available pumps and connections.

Discussed insulating the intake line for the SWTP with a sleeve. That will protect the line from rocks and freezing temperature.

#### **Financial Report:**

We had a Deposit of \$9,000 after the Profit/Loss report was printed. Year To Date report also. \$200/month will be transferred to Joey's account. Stacy will monitor the balance and maintain a maximum of \$1,000. Budget has not changed. Tim will check the inventory by line item to confirm the numbers. Tim reported on progress of the SWTP loan.

As long as we report an account is active, RVS will charge them monthly. To prevent that, the account must be listed as Vacant. Joey explained the RVS derived water loss. We need to get RVS to change the way they report water loss. We also need to understand an average water loss for systems nationally. Joey estimated the accuracy of the meters is 97% for the distribution and 98% for the well pump. Mary Ann needs someone who understands where the numbers come from to be there when she talks with RVS. Several people talked at the same time. Painted Sky meter reads in 100s. RVS may be recording that as 10s. Mary Ann will check with RVS. Long discussion about meter reading and records keeping.

Discussed accounts with zero usage again. Ms Soper is not using any water, but we have no record of their requesting disconnecting from our service. Mary Ann will request clarification from Ms Soper.

Paul moved that we include Stacy's new ACH form in the Tarriff as one of the forms.

Butch seconded, motion passed. Mary Ann questioned if someone buying an existing home owed any fees. There is a standard transfer form in the Tarriff which should be completed. We (SCVWSC) do not get involved with the transfer process during a purchase. We would like to be. Sometimes property is transferred without SCVWSC's knowledge. Butch asked if the property is rented, who is responsible for the bill? Again, there is a form in the Tarriff which asks SCVWSC to bill the renter. The owner is always responsible for the charge, but the renter may get the bill.

Mary Ann asked if we had a "Welcome Packet". Not a formal document. The POA has attempted to do this, without success.

Stacy's signature in e-mails contains our web site address.

### **Old Business:**

Tim said we are in arrears for annual fees. Items include the audit, SAMS fee, LCRA fee. He thinks we need at least \$20,000 in the bank. All of this is included in Asset Management. We just spent all of the existing reserve in the last two years. Tim will know the final status of the SWTP loan in the next two days. We do have access to the USDA reserve fund. We had an extended discussion on the present budget and funds balance. Again, Tim thinks we need an immediate rate increase of \$25. Joey will check on the new meter for Painted Sky Inn and if we can pay on terms.

Butch asked if Stacy needed Word or Excel on her computer. Done.

We returned to the discussion of finances. Paul suggested we formally object to TWDB concerning the required annual audit. We should emphasize the percentage of our annual budget and the monthly cost to each member. Tim suggested we raise the base rate but lower the usage fees. Butch moved we increase the base rate by \$20. Motion passed.

Paul made a motion that we approve the 2025 Water Conservation Plan. Butch seconded. Motion passed. Paul sent copies of the Plan to all the Board.

Bill Fox agreed to help Joey with replacing the pump.

Tim will call Laura about easement and restrictions. He addressed the budget again.

### **New Business:**

Covered under Old Business.

No update on the election/annual meeting.

### **Member Input:**

There being no other business to discuss, Butch moved we adjourn. Paul seconded the motion, all agreed.

**Meeting adjourned @ 2:45 PM**

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, 19 March 2025, 12 PM (noon), at the SCVWSC Office.**

Any recommendations for agenda items should be forwarded to Paul M. Miller no later than a week before the meeting.