

ALMANOR HEIGHTS MUTUAL WATER COMPANY BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
Saturday July 6<sup>th</sup> 2024

Board members present: Tom Garcia, John Fourcroy, Rick Cole, Dan Bay, Sara Church

Board members absent: None

Other shareholders present: Bob Graves, Jim Nelson, Rick Church,  
Bob Miles, Bill Ernser, Clair Cole and Nick Leon

The meeting was called to order by Tom Garcia at 9:00 AM.

All in attendance agreed to renew the existing board members, Sara Church agreed to be the Vice President.

Minutes from the July 1, 2023 meeting were handed out and time was permitted for all in attendance to review, Sara made a motion and Bob Graves seconded to approve and all board members in attendance approved.

Dan reviewed the financial statements (Income and Expense and Balance sheet)

Tom discussed some of the expenses this past year which included

Ashley fire hydrant was converted to a blow off valve, broken line repairs due to tree roots and the shared costs of tree removal and boundary survey of the waterfront property we share ownership with the Prattville Water District.

Tom discussed the expenses related to the positive Total Coliform tests in our water system, the system was chlorinated and now tests negative and clear.

Tom discussed the need to purchase a new generator as our existing generator is not working. Bob Graves suggested we inquire as to the cost of rebuilding our existing generator and estimated the cost of a new one would be about \$7,000-\$10,000.

Discussion relating to the need to upgrade our entire water system as the pipes are old. ( this has been an ongoing discussion) Tom has requested bids, not yet received but verbal estimates are in the \$1,000,000 (one million) range which is about \$20,000 per lot. This cost does not include the removal of trees.

Tom will mail out a letter to all property owners advising them that if their lot has trees which impede the new water line they will need to be removed and paid for by each lot owner based on the number of trees requiring removal. Dan, John and Bob Miles volunteered to flag all trees within 5 feet of each side of the water line.

Bob Graves suggested we research cost of pulling a smaller water line through the existing line which could possibly reduce the expense, discussion ensued regarding this idea. Tom will ask for bids on this idea as well.

John's son is researching potential low rate loans and or grants for this project. Possibly the debt could be paid through property owners tax bills.

Nick asked if we have a State representative that could help us find financing or grants for this project, Sara said she will contact Megan Dahl.

Discussion regarding the history of the shared lake front property and the need to have a more permanent and easily noticeable boundary markers, One of the wooden stake markers has already been destroyed. Rick Cole will work with Troy (Pratville Water) on this project.

At 10:00 motion was made by Bob Miles and seconded by Bob Graves to adjourn the meeting.