

ALMANOR HEIGHTS MUTUAL WATER COMPANY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Saturday July 5th 2025

Board members present: Tom Garcia, John Fourcroy, Rick Cole, Dan Bay & Michelle Brazil

Board members absent: None

Other shareholders present: Bob Graves, Bob Miles, Bill Ernser, Clair Cole, Terri & Frank Spiteri, Ray & Karla Dreiss.

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

Reviewed the 2024 minutes and a motion was made by Bob Miles and seconded by Terri Spiteri to approve. All members in attendance approved the motion.

Tom noted in the June 9, 2025 newsletter to all members, and again to all those in attendance, that Sara Church has resigned from the board and that Michelle Brazil has agreed to join the board. If other members are interested in joining, they should let him know. No other members came forth to volunteer prior to or at the board meeting. It was agreed to by all members that Michelle Brazil would be our new board member.

Separately, it was agreed that Tom will remain the President and Dan Bay will remain the Secretary-treasurer.

We reviewed the financial statements; notable items included the expense of \$2,900.00 for a generator and \$4,400.00 for tank cleaning. The tank will be cleaned every five years. See financials for additional information.

Last year, we had one leak in the system. Tom contacted Randy Hovland who provided work for a reasonable price and will be used for future leaks etc.

We discussed replacing the existing water lines per the NST plans or replace/repair as needed. This has been an ongoing discussion over the years. Tom will walk the system with Randy Hovland to find out if he can provide a bid for system replacement, possibly to be replaced over a three-year period. It was noted that a past estimate from Dig It Construction was approximately \$1,000,000.00 (one million dollars). Further discussion involved how we would pay for the project. It was determined that we should have a firm bid before we can consider moving forward with a full replacement. It was suggested that we reach out to developers in the Chico area that perform underground construction. Tom noted that members should forward contact information regarding underground construction contractors to him.

Bob Graves suggested we look into a method which involves pulling the new pipes without digging new trenches. Several members mentioned other contractors that could be contacted for bids.

On a separate issue, Tom noted that he received a bid from Diamond Fabrication in the amount of \$11,138.00 to remove the old tank. As in past meetings, there was discussion about adding a second tank as a reserve. Much discussion resulted in the majority of members not feeling the need to spend funds to remove the old tank at this time.

We discussed the need to remove trees on or close to the water lines and who should pay for the cost. Dan and Bob Miles agreed to walk the lines and flag the trees, and then obtain bids for tree removal. Tom agreed to send a letter to all property owners with trees on or near water line.

Tom noted that he will contact Bob Fritz and ask for a bid for bat removal from the pump house.

Clair will talk to Troy (Prattville water) about clean up on the waterfront property we jointly own. Dan will contact Robin Schumacher to verify that the tax bill is being paid on that property.

With no other items to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 9:50.