

**MINUTES**  
**FALL RIVER VALLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**September 13, 2017 6:00 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Monath called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS:**

Directors present: Snyder, Ontano, Monath, Gooch, (Director Colby absent)

**VISITORS:** Jim Cook from Community Development on Call, Sergio Guillen from Forsgren Engineering, Diana Rogers, Tyler Dewitt,

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Diana Rogers had a prepared statement as follows: "Now that Sky is both on the board and an employee he can no longer participate or be present in discussions related to budget revisions and benefit and salary. As I understand, a lawyer was consulted as to the legality of his being a member of the board and an employee, however that does not exempt him or this board from following the other rules pertaining to his presence during previously mentioned discussions nor can he participate in issues pertaining to Bill's continuing employment.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes for 08.16.17.
  - o Director Snyder made motion to approve minutes as written. Director Ontano seconded and motion was passed unanimously with a vote of 4 ayes. (Snyder, Ontano, Monath, Gooch)

**COMMUNICATIONS:** None

**CONSENT AGENDA:** None

**Parks & Rec:**

- Director Snyder
  - o Is currently working on a concept proposal to build a trail around the lake, & is working with Lomakatsi and the Ajumawi and Atsuge Nations to employ tribal youth in the summer of 2018 to build a trail from the elementary school to Mackey's Cove. We are applying for a \$300,00 grant that would pay for this portion of the trail and will then be looking for further funding for the remaining 2/3 of the trail.
  - o They are also addressing some forest improvement around some areas of the lake to protect some ancient oaks. Lomakatsi already has some grant funding for this portion.
  - o Have letters of support from Intermountain Adventures, Shasta Land Trust, Mary Rickert, and Chris Knoch.
  - o Sky is volunteering his time to work on this so it is not costing the district any money. And moving forward, the goal is that this project would not be funded by water and sewer funds.
  - o Still waiting on the land transfer on the park project. It is currently in an internal PG&E review.

## Operations Report:

- Casey Rodriguez absent

## Manager Report:

- Bill Johnson
  - LAFCo is still working on the annexations. This is a complicated parcel so it is taking some extra time.
  - Katherine Howard from the Pine Grove Mobile Home Park has turned in their application for water hook-up so they have committed to the project.
  - GM Johnson received a technical memo that indicates that we will not be able to supply the hospital with the pressure requirements they have for fire suppression. Ryan Harris is exploring the option of getting the requirement lowered to 1,000 gallons per minute by changing the building code. GM Johnson is curious to see what the result of the hydraulic model would be if we ran it with the MOV closed. After he hears back from Ryan he will pursue that further. Director Gooch asked if we could build a storage tank at the hospital. GM Johnson that could be a possibility but they would have to have booster pumps to supply enough pressure.
  - The auditors were on the premises Thursday and Friday of last week.
  - There was a gas leak on Long St. last week and a 2” gas line was damaged. Noone was hurt and PG&E responded and repaired the line. Chairman Monath noted that because we were outside of the dig permit, we may be liable for possible fines and penalties.
  - Water loss for the month of August was 17.8%, August 2016 was 14.6% and in 2015 it was 20.4%.

## Treasurer Reports:

- Bill Johnson
  - Financial Report:
    - For the month, we were approximately \$2,200 under budget in revenue and over budget in expenses due to the purchase of the trench shoring equipment.
    - Yesterday we received a check of \$38,000 for the Waste water grant.
  - Chairman Monath noted that the alarm system for the sewer system quit working yesterday and this will need replaced ASAP. Director Snyder stated that if the lift station pumps aren't working, they could fill up in 6 hours.
  - Declare replacement of sewer pump alarms an emergency expenditure
    - Director Snyder made motion to declare the replacement of the sewer pump alarms as an emergency expenditure. Director Gooch seconded and the motion was passed unanimously with a vote of 4 ayes. (Snyder, Ontano, Monath, Gooch)
  - GM Johnson has looked into a couple of options for the sewer alarms: 1) Adding the alarm system to the SCADA at a cost of \$8400 2) Replacing the alarm through Precision Alarm Co at a cost of \$4,000 and then a monthly charge of \$40/site. To add it to the SCADA would take approximately 3 days while the new alarm would take upwards of 2 weeks.
    - Director Ontano made a motion to authorize the funds for GM Johnson to purchase a replacement for the sewer pump alarms. Director Gooch seconded and the motion was passed unanimously with a vote of 4 ayes. (Snyder, Ontano, Monath, Gooch)
  - Approve Financials:
    - Director Snyder made a motion to approve the invoices for payment. Director Ontano seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously by 4 ayes. (Snyder, Monath, Gooch, Ontano)

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- LAFCo annexation has been postponed.
- Sergio Guillen from Forsgren reported that the tank and booster pump project is moving forward quickly. We have received a negative declaration on biological and cultural assessments so we are in good shape there. We will be meeting tomorrow for a project coordination meeting and will need to discuss the size of the tank. On the wastewater study, we will discuss making a master plan for the sewer system.
  - On the hospital issue the limiting factor is the size of the pipe and also the location of the hospital itself. We can supply the flow, but not the pressure. Chairman Monath questioned if we could drill a 2<sup>nd</sup> well there that could serve the dual purpose of serving as a secondary water source for the district as well as fulfilling the requirements for the hospital. Sergio responded that it was possible but that it would depend upon the expense and how much we and the hospital were willing to spend.
- Jim Cook reported that everything is going smoothly on the Wastewater grant. The state has warned that money for big projects may not be available a year from now however we are in a good position as we are planning rather reacting to an existing problem. It is looking like we will start talking to people in McArthur in February/March.
  - Director Snyder asked for a summary of where we were at on the Wastewater grant. Jim replied that we had received a commitment from the engineer to do an entire plan and were now waiting to hear from Forsgren what it would cost.
  - Director Gooch asked if a public meeting would be held in McArthur. Jim confirmed that there would be a couple of public meetings and then would go door to door.
  - Director Snyder asked if the plan had taken into account extreme weather events. Sergio responded that it had not been included but that it was the right thing to do and that he would talk with Forsgren to see if it could be included.
- GM Johnson asked the board if they would be interested in training in SUM, Sustainable Utility Management. It is offered by the California Rural Water Association and covers 10 key areas of Utility Management. It would be a 6 hour course that could be split into 2, 3 hour segments. They would come here to Fall River Mills to provide us with the training. Chairman Monath, Director Snyder, and Director Gooch are interested as well as Director Ontano if her schedule will allow. GM Johnson said that he would coordinate with Angela and schedule a time.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- None to report

**Meeting adjourned at 6:52 pm**

**The next board meeting is 10-11-17**

Respectfully Submitted,

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Bill Johnson, General Manager

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Jerry Monath, Chairman of the Board

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Date