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## **Board of Directors**

**Directors - Scott McVay, Terry Lincoln**

**General Manager: Dale Mancino**

## **PROP 218 COMMITTEE**

**February 19th, 2025, at 6:30 pm: District Office Board Room**

## **MINUTES**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 PM**
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** *Not Conducted*
- 3. ROLL CALL:** *Director Scott McVay, Director Logan Johnston, General Manager Dale Mancino, Grant Consultant Jim Wadleigh*
- 4. OPEN TIME/PUBLIC COMMENT:** *No members of the public present.*
- 5. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**
  - a. Review of Proposition 218 Rules and Procedures**
    - *Reviewed the rules for changing water rates and fees.*
    - *Plan: Create new rate schedule with clear justification.*
    - *Hold 2 informational meetings for the public.*
    - *Mail information to all customers (45-day review period).*
    - *Hold a public hearing.*
    - *If fewer than 50% + 1 of customers protest in writing, the new rates automatically pass.*
  - b. Review and Discussion of Financial Statements**
    - *Need cleaner Profit & Loss (P&L) statements — past miscoding and errors found.*
    - *May hire temporary accounting help for catch-up and quarterly reviews.*
    - *Several old reserves will close soon (Car Fire, Backwash Pond).*
    - *Plan to create clearer, dedicated reserve accounts for future capital projects.*

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- WIN Act fee will continue for another 6–7 years.

### **c. Projected Changes Over the Next One to Five Years**

- Current 1.8% annual increase is not keeping up with rising costs (chemicals, electricity, insurance, repairs, etc.).
- Proposal: Add \$2–\$3 per month per customer to build reserves for:
  - Water treatment plant upgrades
  - Distribution system (pipes, valves)
  - Building maintenance (roof, AC, etc.)
- This would raise roughly \$64,000 – \$96,000 per year.
- Increases should be gradual to avoid shocking customers.
- Prefer reviewing and adjusting rates every 2 years instead of every 5.
- North Booster Station (5 customers): Add extra electricity cost to their water rate based on usage (fairer approach).

### **d. Payroll Updates and Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Revisions**

### **e. Anticipated District Needs Over the Next One to Five Years**

- Critical needs include: replacing a large isolation valve, adding a pressure reducing valve (PRV), fixing old/frozen valves, and water treatment plant repairs (Filter Train 6).
- Will develop a 1–2 year urgent list and longer-term (3–10 year) plan with help from Jim Wadleigh.
- Public justification will include maps showing where improvements are needed.

### **f. North Booster Station Electricity Costs**

- North Booster Station (5 customers): Add extra electricity cost to their water rate based on usage (fairer approach)

### **g. Proposition 218 Study Frequency and Schedule**

## **6. ADJOURN THE MEETING: 7:54 pm**

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