

Ames Lake Water Association

Board of Directors Meeting November 8, 2016

7:00 P.M

Meeting Minutes

- Call to Order

Jack Praino called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of **Ames Lake Water Association (ALWA)** at **7:00 PM** on **October 10, 2016** in the Association's business office.

- Roll Call

The following Board members were present (in addition to Mr. Praino): Sherri Zucker, Merlyn Blue, Michael Bicak and Mark Freeman. David Hoffmann joined at 7:07 PM and then took over as chair. Also present: Kristina Myers, ALWA office manager, Bob Pancoast, ALWA operations manager and Richard Jonson, Counsel.

- Business from the Floor

None.

- Consent Agenda

The Board reviewed contents of the Consent Agenda, containing:

- Minutes of the October Board meeting,
- Membership Transfers,
- Water Loss adjustments and,
- Aging Accounts.

Merlyn moved to approve all items on the Consent Agenda. Mark seconded. All approved.

- System Manager Report

Robert presented system updates:

- Water production was normal for October. Unaccounted water usage had decreased to 5.4% for the last month.
- Water from the Vista well was sampled and tested for Glyphosate. The testing lab reported Glyphosate levels as undetectable, thus were under 6 Parts per Billion (PPB).
- Chromium was tested for active wells. All wells were under 0.007 mg/L, the Required Reporting Limit (RRL). Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for Chromium is 0.1 mg/L.
- Robert outlined implications of the recent Washington State Supreme Court ruling *Whatcom County v. Western Washington Growth Management Hearings Board*. This ruling may severely restrict the ability of homeowners to create and use exempt wells in connection with new construction. ALWA may receive more requests for water hookups as individuals find they cannot drill their own wells for new homes.
- A draft spreadsheet is being created for projects planned over the next decade.
- Hydrant maintenance and valve exercising continues through November.

- King County issued a letter with additional items to address on the building permit. These are being resolved.
- Business Manager Report
 Kristina reviewed monthly financial reports and the following:
 - The latest billing contained an erroneous due date. Some members noticed, but no major issues resulted.
 - *Sherri moved to accept the completed 990 form. Merlyn seconded. All approved.*
 - Kristina will investigate competitive lockbox options.
 - There were two water shutoffs last month; one has been restored.
 - Michael passed out employee benefits information for future review.
- Checklist & EFT Approval
Jack moved to approve the checklist and EFT transfers. Merlyn seconded. All approved.
- Old Business – None
- Business from the Board – None
- Next Regular Meeting
 The next regular meeting will be **December 13, 2016, 7:00 PM** at the Association’s business office.
- Adjournment
David Hoffmann adjourned the meeting at **8:05 PM**.

Minutes prepared by Mark Freeman, secretary.