

**Ames Lake Water Association
Board of Directors Meeting March 12, 2024
7:00 P.M**

Meeting Minutes

- Call to Order

David Hoffmann called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Ames Lake Water Association (ALWA) at 7:01 PM on March 12, 2024. The meeting was conducted at the ALWA business office with some Board members participating via teleconference. The following Board members were present in addition to Mr. Hoffmann: Sherri Zucker, Michael Bicak, Merlyn Blue, Mark Freeman and David Beecher.

Also present: Jeremy Reier (ALWA System Manager), Christine Lemons (ALWA Business Manager), Keenan Ferar (Gray & Osborne) and Richard Jonson (Jonson and Jonson).

- Changes or Additions to Agenda - None.

- Business from the Floor. None

- Consent Agenda

The Board reviewed contents of the Consent Agenda, containing:

- Minutes of the February 13, 2023~~4~~ Board Meeting,
- Membership Transfers,
- Water Loss Adjustments, and
- Aging Accounts.

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

- Financial Reports and Membership Count

- Check List & EFT Approval

Sherri moved to approve the check list. Michael seconded. All approved.

- Consultant Reports.

- Jonson & Jonson. None.
- Gray & Osborne. None

- System Manager Report

Jeremy reviewed water usage and unaccounted for water amounts. He reviewed system maintenance and repair activities, service line inventorying requirements for the lead and copper rule, water rights status, status of developer extension to serve five lots on the east side of 269th Ave NE, accuracy test on customer meter, annexation of four parcels in an area to be relinquished by Samm. Plateau Water District and service to that area, proposed change to Rule 14, and timing for main replacement around Ames Lake. Lengthy discussion followed.

Michael moved to approve revision to Rule 14 by adding the following to the first sentence: “;provided, however, if an extension to the far end of the member’s property would result in facilities that would be a burden to or unneeded by the Association as determined by the Board in its sole discretion, the Board may grant full or partial relief from this requirement”. Mark seconded. All approved.

Sherri moved to approve withdrawal of the following four parcels from the service area of Sammamish Plateau Water and Sewer District and inclusion into the Association’s water service area: 2425069059 2425069012 2525069035 2425069026. Merlyn seconded. All approved.

Michael moved to approve serving parcel no. 242506-9059 with a two inch water distribution line of approximately 60 feet in length as an exception to the general rule pertaining to water main extensions in accordance with Rule 14, as amended. Merlyn seconded. All approved.

- Business Manager Report

Christine provided updates on office activities, banking, cash flow, leak adjustments, accounts receivable, budget vs actual status and loan balances. She presented proposed projected revenue and expense amounts for the 2024-25 budget. Lengthy discussion followed. She reviewed a proposed round up program utilizing the Salvation Army which, after discussion, will be investigated further.

- New Business – None.
- Business from the Board – None.
- Review of Action Items – None.
- Executive Session – None.
- Adjournment
 - David Hoffmann adjourned the meeting at 9:57 pm

Minutes prepared by Richard Jonson, counsel.