VISTA REDONDA MUTUAL DOMESTIC WATER CONSUMERS ASSOCIATION

(VRMDWCA)

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

Monday, October 5, 2020 – 4:00 PM -- Via Zoom

1. **Call to Order:** Nirvair Singh Khalsa called the meeting to order at 4:04 PM.
2. **Certification of Quorum:**  A. LaFehr certified that 5 of the 9 Board members were present via Zoom. A quorum was met.
3. **Board Members Present:** Nirvair Khalsa, President; Harvey Simon, Vice President; Audrey LaFehr, Secretary; Laurent Cavalie, Treasurer; Directors: Wendy Pierard, Chris van Schayk.

**Not Present:** Directors: Bill Berra, Peter Frank, Susan Rule; Adjunct Directors: Phil Marineau, Kevin Pierard.

**Community Members Present:** Valerie and David Arnett, Mary Costello, Mary Beth Janke, Judy Simon.

**Others Present:**  None.

1. **Approval of the Minutes of the June 1, 2020 Meeting:** LaFehr made the motion to approve the Minutes, H. Simon seconded the motion, and all approved.
2. **Financial Report and Budgets:** Cavalie presented the financial statement, noting that the big event this past quarter was the collection of annual dues, which went well, and that we will invest that money in CDs. Otherwise, there was nothing irregular in the Q3 statement. As to the Budget, he is working with III-D to put invoices/expenses in the proper categories, which will help us get a better understanding of where our money is being spent.
3. **Well 3A Uranium Abatement Update:**  H. Simon reported that we only received one bid for this project, and that it was higher than expected. In consulting with III-D, they advised us to put the job out for a re-bid. This will delay our timeline by about 3 weeks, but we anticipate getting more competitive bids, and we should still be able to get the project going before the end of the year. We were hoping to vote on proceeding with a bid at this meeting, but the Board will vote by email once the bids have been received and evaluated.

1. **New Business:** H. Simon recommended that III-D replace Jack Miller on the website as the contact for water issues. He suggested that we further clarify with bullet points what III-D’s responsibilities are to eliminate unnecessary calls. Simon to work with III-D and LaFehr to produce the correct wording.

D. Arnett asked about the status of the Automation Project (SCADA) and redrilling Well 4. H. Simon replied that SCADA will be implemented immediately after completing the Remediation of Well 3A, so likely January 2021. Van Schayk noted that we will not address Well 4 until the three current projects are completed—tank painting and recoating the inside of the large tank, Remediation of Well 3A, and implementing SCADA.

H. Simon suggested that we send a letter to the community prior to the recoating of the large tank, which will not occur until after irrigation systems are shut down for the winter and water usage is much reduced. The letter will advise community members of the upcoming project and urge them to minimize as much as possible their water usage during those few days. LaFehr to draft the letter.

M. Costello mentioned the August Medio Fire and her gratitude to the Forest Service for explaining it and containing it. She is concerned, however, that they are not really aware of the Vista Redonda neighborhood and wondered who in VR is in communication with the Forest Service. W. Pierard explained that the Forest Service is charged with protecting the forests, not private property, which is the responsibility of the County. Costello further proposed investigating lightning rods on roofs and the water tanks, and expressed concern over ice on Paseo Encantado NE preventing emergency vehicles from reaching that side of VR. It was agreed that these are questions for the POA and should be brought up at the next POA meeting.

1. **Adjournment:** H. Simon made the motion to adjourn, van Schayk seconded, and all approved. The meeting was adjourned at 4:48 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Audrey LaFehr, Secretary