

**Westside Water Association
Annual Meeting of Shareholders
May 23, 2016 at Havurat Ee Shalom**

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM by the Association's Board President, Bob Jones.

In attendance: WWA Board members Bob Jones, Theo Eicher and Judy Olson; WWA's System Manager, Doug Dolstad; about 40 shareholders. Proxies were returned for 72 shares. A quorum was achieved.

The minutes of the 2015 annual meeting were approved as written.

The financial statements, provided in hand-outs to those present, were reviewed. Our two CDs have matured and were rolled over into a Debt Reserve Fund, an Asset Replacement Fund and a Repairs Fund. There was a question about the large variance in the amount of money we gave to the Global Initiatives project over the last two years; it resulted from a payment being made later than usual. There were no other questions.

Bob Jones reported that the second Anderson well had been successfully dug. The Board had hoped to be able to share the water quality and quantity test results at the annual meeting, but due to some issues with the pump, they weren't available yet.

Doug Dolstad explained what the pump test entails (it is designed to stress the well) and some of the tests that would be run to check the water quality. He said that our engineer believes that the new well will have minimal impact on the existing well's water output.

Once the new well is online, we hope to only need the canyon well for emergency situations. The arsenic filtration system is "on the shelf" for now and electricity is our only expense for the canyon well.

There was a discussion around the rationale for buying a generator to keep the pumps going if we have multi-day power outages from storms or a major disaster. Doug advised everyone that the best way to purify water is to bring it to a boil.

The Board Secretary, Amy Cole, was not able to be present. Bob gave the secretary's report for her. She has archived board meeting minutes from 1978 to the present, in order to discover standard operating procedures and is working on creating a SOP document. She has created a revised website for WWA and updated shareholders' contact information.

Bob reported on the Board accomplishments for the year:

1. An Asset Replacement Schedule was created and will be updated annually.
2. In the process of creating the Schedule, we discovered that WWA needed more income that could be saved for future replacements.

3. A rate committee (consisting of two Board members, five shareholders and the system manager) met and devised a new rate structure. They also decided that the excise (water usage) taxes will be paid by the individual shareholders, going forward, not the Association. The rate structure will be adjusted annually, based on the rate of inflation. (One member was distressed by the fact that such a small number of people made the decisions, which would impact lower income people. There was a suggestion made by another member that we could offer some kind of assistance to those in need of it.)
4. A special meeting of the shareholders was held to change the Association by-laws. A quorum was achieved and 88% voted to give authority to the Board to take out a loan for major development projects.
5. A loan was secured, allowing WWA to go forward with drilling and developing the second Anderson well.

Mary Margaret Briggs gave the Global Water Initiative report. WWA shareholders donate @\$2,900 per year to enable the creation of simple wells in Nicaragua, where 80% of the population subsists on less than \$2 per day. WWA has been involved in this project since 2007 and it was the idea of Doug Dolstad's Mother. Mary Margaret received applause from the membership for her work on the project.

Bob asked if anyone wanted to discuss any old business and no one did.

New Business:

Theo Eicher talked about the outdated (from the 1990s) water billing software that we are using. He would like to form a committee of accounting/software "nerds" to find some new billing software. He asked for volunteers to help figure out exactly what we need and try it out so that he can make some recommendations. One member volunteered.

Bob Jones and Judy Olson were re-elected to the Board, for another two years, by unanimous vote.

Doug gave his Manager's Report. He began by introducing three new WWA members; they each stood and shared how they came to live on Vashon. He pointed out a large map that Bob has created, showing the locations of WWA shareholders. He said that we are blessed to have this new well and that he likes his job. There will be some testing of our water for lead this year and if anyone wants their water tested, just let him know. He urged everyone to keep their eye out for any leaks and report them to him

Bob concluded the meeting by thanking a long-time WWA family that is moving away, for their involvement in the Association over the years. He also thanked Doug, who "has a big heart and does a great job."

There was general applause for jobs well done by Doug and the Board over the last year.

Bob Jones adjourned the meeting at 8:34 PM.