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| **SPANISH FLAT WATER BOARD**  **MINUTES OF THE MEETING**  **JANUARY 12, 2023** | | |
| **Directors Present** | **Public Present** | **Staff Present** |
| Wesley Plunkett  Sandra Barta  Julia Robinson  Cheryl Bean | Anne Onderick | Steve Silva  Paul Quarneri  Ruthann Miller |
| **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**: 6:03 pm  **PREVIOUS MINUTES APPROVED BY**: Wesley Plunket and 2nd by Cheryl Bean  **PUBLIC COMMENTS**:  **FINANCIAL REPORTS**: given by Paul Quarneri  The general fund has $91,506.03, and $3,442.94 is combined in the other two non-used accounts. There will be $39,726.00 left over for the continuing fire repairs leaving only $41,300.00 left in the general fund afterward.  **OLD BUSINESS**: Rate Increase:  Paul Quarneri has gone through the last 5 years of financial records to discern what our proposed rate increase should be. Currently, we lost 39 customers lost at Spanish Flat Mobile Villa along with approximately 7 other customers along Knoxville Rd leaving us with approximately $85,000 in lost annual revenue. Paul is proposing a 20% rate increase that will equate to a $48,000 annual revenue increase. Paul has considered a 25% rate increase however he is fearful of pushback and wants to be more lenient on current customers. After this increase, he will consider proposing another increase in the next year or two depending on the district’s financial stability.  Motion to go forward with 20% rate increase proposal made by Cheryl Bean and 2nd by Wesley Plunkett; all present said, “aye.” The board will discuss a review of the Spanish Flat Mobile Villa monthly payment agreement in the next meeting to assess possible necessary rate increase. Paul will contact Pridemore Construction for their cost to install water and sewer lines to see if there is room to increase water and sewer connection fees as well.  **OPERATIONS**: given by Steve Silva  The water turbidity is substantially up at Berryessa Pines water station due to the tremendous amount of rain. The Spanish Flat water station has not had as much of a problem with turbidity. Guy Chiles, a county pond inspector, has noted an issue of excess weeds at the ponds; Steve will attempt to mitigate the weeds himself after the rain.  **CLOSED SESSION:**  The current COLA, Cost of Living Adjustment, is 8.7%. Paul recommends that the employees be given this pay increase and will revisit employees’ annual bonus and review in 6 months in July. Motion to approve 8.7% COLA employee raise made by Cheryl Bean and 2nd by Julia Robinson, all present said, “aye.”  **MOTION TO ADJOURN**: 6:54 pm | | |
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