

**MINUTES of the REGULAR MEETING
of the Water Projects Committee
ANDERSON VALLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
To be held via teleconference Phone # 669 900 6833 Meeting ID 845 5084 3330
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March 7th, 2024 at 10:30am**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: Called to order by Val Hanelt at 10:30. Val Hanelt, Kathleen McKenna, and Cora Richard.
2. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS AND HEARING OF PUBLIC: David Coleman (Senior Engineer: Brelje & Race), Zachary Rounds (State Water Control Board Division of Drinking Water District 1), Tara Ouitavon & Vanessa Soto (SAFER:CA Water Board Safe and Affordable Funding for Equity and Resilience), Henry Wijaya & Mehreen Siddiqui (CA State Water Board DFA -Dept of Financial Assistance), Morgan Baynham, Jim Luticken, Gwyn Smith, Janet Lombard, Chief Andres Avila (AVFD), Jody Williams.
3. CONSENT CALENDAR: February minutes approved.
4. CHANGES OR MODIFICATION TO THIS AGENDA: None.
5. REPORT ON CLEAN WATER (WASTE) PROJECT: Dave Coleman reports that the Geotech and heavy equipment operator has been hired and they are waiting for the drainage tests to take place when the ground is dry enough. It will take about two weeks of dry weather to use the heavy machinery and dig the pits. Henry reports that the Clean Water Amendment #5 has been received. Once Dave can confirm that Valley Views is a suitable site, he can complete his Preliminary Design report and calculate the cost of running the system which will allow him to develop the Clean Water Rate Study. Discussed the LAFCo process and it appears that the Drinking Water project will be ready before the Clean Water project so their LAFCo processes will probably be separate. But that is still to be determined. The sequence for Clean Water appears to be: Preliminary Design Report (including the Geotech findings shared with State Waterboard), Rate Study, LAFCo approval, "218 letter" (protest letter to the parcel owners), CEQA, Construction Grant application. Val shared her concern about overlapping processes whenever possible so that we can be as efficient as possible as all these bureaucratic steps take 6-12 months each. We appreciate Henry starting the Construction Grant with us so that we can get parts of it accomplished now. Morgan Baynham asked about the sidewalks and if they would be included in the project. A discussion followed about "trench restoration" and what that might mean. Val shared that there was no Caltrans project planned to modify the sidewalks. The current Caltrans project is "pavement preservation" scheduled for 2026/2027. Dave and Brent will meet with the Caltrans Planning Official to see what coordination might need to happen if any.
6. REPORT ON DRINKING WATER PROJECT: Val reported for Brent. The Amendment #4 has been finished and submitted to Henry at DFA. It includes funds for the LAFCo process for both projects. The agreements with the AV Clinic, Bradfords (storage tanks location), and the Hotel are close to being signed off. Outstanding is the agreement with the Meadow Estates Municipal Water Company. The appraisal for the 5-acre well field has not come in yet. The ME Water Board needs that information as well as the Drinking Water rate study info to share with their parcel owners to complete their vote to join the Boonville municipal water system.
7. CONCERNS OF DIRECTORS: None.
8. ADJOURNED: As there were no further questions for Dave, the meeting adjourned at 11:20am.