WildFlower Well Board Meeting

Meeting came to order at 6:00 pm

Board Members in attendance;

Kevin Degnan President

Ben Mendola Vice President

Linda Mayne-Degnan Secretary

Kevin's President's Report -

Meters –

We have achieved our goal of having all of the water meter changeouts completed by the end of 2026 – As of October the Southwest Utility Crew has installed ALL of the last 25 meters of the Total of 64 Active Meters -Since March of this year.

As far as being read electronically, Because of the never-ending evolution, changing and updating of electronic security and performance- there are software and hardware issues and costs to deal with and we are negotiating and solving those, with Southwest working

with the Meter Company to give us the best options they have and as soon as I know exactly what all the options and costs are, I will let all board members know.

I asked Dave Carr to help me with these negotiations and he has been happy to oblige and has been pivotally helpful.

Until those negotiations are complete and approved, Linda and I will still be camera reading the meters manually.

WIFA -

Dave and I also had a zoom meet with the Arizona Water Infrastructure Finance Authority, also known as WIFA Representative who said they might be interested in giving Wildflower a grant or forgivableloan possibly if we give them a new application for old distribution lines upgrade.

Dave Carr immediately filled in everything and sent in the new application to WIFA!

The FEDERAL Government, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, is not granting much of anything at the moment.

Wildflower Well Lighting -

Also, we have added five more motion detecting lights to the Wildflower well perimeter to cover more of the blind spots and for better protection of the well.

The gatherings at the well site have continued to be reduced as the visibility has increased over the last six months.

Water Line Break -

We had a large-ish break in a water line reported 2 months ago as in the easement /street running parallel with Sieritta Mountain Road because it flooded the road and was virtually impassable.

Silver from Southwest let me know this on Saturday Morning and I offered to check into the information before he came out. It was difficult to find because it had rained intensely the day before and was muddy and flooded.

I found the leak and stopped the flow and found it to be on the Property Owners piping, so Silver didn't need to even come out to check it out at all as it was not Wildflower's responsibility.

Landlord Responsibility for water bills –

We had an issue which seems to crop up from time to time.

A tenant on a certain property left said property without notice and leaving a substantial unpaid water bill which was in her name.

Then another tenant moved in using that water service for a time yet no one was paying for water so it was padlocked as is the standard procedure.

Next the lock was cut and as a result the meter was pulled for lack of payment.

The New tenant said he didn't want to pay because it wasn't his bill yet he wanted a new water service in his name.

I told him he was right, but he can't have a new service until the Bill is paid.

I told him also that the bill responsibility reverts to the landlord – according to our Bylaws – which the landlord at some point had to have agreed to – and now the landlord is responsible to pay for any old bills while he owned that property and for the service to be re – installed.

I suggested to the tenant to have the landlord pay for half or whatever but there will be no service until someone pays the entire bill – only after that will you be able to have the new water service installed.

A few days later the landlord and tenant both paid a share of the bill and they had a new service the next day.

It seemed like no one quite knew who was responsible for paying and assumed the bill would just be written off.

I'm saying this to help educate anyone this might apply to – ***especially*** remote landlords with Wildflower Water Co-Op water service on their property.

Financials –

As of September 2026, The Emergency Fund has $40,372.68 Dollars in it.

The Operating Fund has $2959.45 Dollars in it.

The Improvement Fund has $492.27 Dollars in it.

There are no Bad Debt write offs

Our total of Gallons Sold in September was 445,494 -

and our Gallons Pumped was 473,860.

The water loss figure is 6 Percent.

Water Loss -

Our water loss figure is 6 Percent – More than six months ago but still nowhere near the 35 per cent figure which was at it's highest before the new meter installs began.

I am always on the lookout, and I check the neighborhood for underground leaks or other leak sources. Much of the well water distribution lines, however, are on private property so they are nearly impossible to prevent leaks on and service.

If we can get a grant for the distribution lines, that could change and thereby solve most leaks and provide more service access to those lines, permanently.

Kevin asked if anyone has any Old Business.

Ben asked if the new well lining is holding up. Kevin stated the lining is holding up perfectly.

Ben asked if the water quality is being tested. Kevin stated it is tested on a A regular basis. Testing results show 0 PFAs. We have excellent water quality.

Ben expressed his appreciation for the excellent job Kevin is doing as President of the well.

Linda also thanked Ben for his role as vice president .

Then Kevin asked if there was any new business, none was expressed.

Then Kevin asked is there were any questions or Announcements. None were expressed.

Kevin moved to adjourn the meeting. Ben seconded it.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm.

Meeting minutes approved by:

Kevin Degnan



President/CEO

Wildflower Water Co-op