

# Minutes: Lake Canyon Mutual Water Board Meeting

Wednesday July 21, 2021 7:00 p.m.

## Held via Zoom Audio and/or Video Conference

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**PUBLIC FORUM:** Any member of the public may address and ask questions of the Board relating to any matter within the Board's jurisdiction, if the matter is not on the agenda or pending before the Board.

### Call to Order / Start Zoom Meeting for remote meeting access: 7:00 p.m.

Jim called the meeting to order at 7:11pm

**Roll Call:** Casey Farrand, Jim DiZoglio, Ru Rajapakse, Mindi Porebski

**Also in attendance:** Mike Soultanian, Sam Monga, Jenn Tran

### Consent Agenda: Financial, Water, Staff, Projects, and Maintenance reports (2 min) [link](#)

- Water report reveals spring continues to have declining flows
  - Spring flow down to 2.2 gpm from 2.9 gpm last month, that is a 24% decline in 5 weeks
- We are increasing our draw from the creek to meet usage
- Usage per household increasing slightly month over month
- **Discuss Recommendations:**
  - Discuss recommendation to lower demand through conservation
  - Discuss recommendation to lower the rate threshold
    - Current rates:
      - 1 cent per gallon up to 200 gallons per day
      - 2 cents per gallon over 200 gallons per day
    - Discuss recommendation
      - Lower level at which usage moves to the higher tier to 90 gallons per day
  - Discuss recommendation to continue communications to the community re: conservation
    - Knocking on doors is not recommended and caused negative feelings before
    - Anonymous information sheets or mailers are two options to reduce usage
- Discuss dates / spring flow requirements for start/end to this temporary adjustment
- See Water Conservation Threshold Adjustment / Conservation Tips Draft [Here](#)

Casey makes a motion to approve the threshold adjustment

Ru seconds

Motion passes 4-0

**Added post meeting: Motion did not go into effect due to LCMWC bylaws**

- Additional unresolved maintenance needs indicate the need for more support for labor items.
  - Recommend to look into Doug, or the person previously recommended by Rebecca, and other options for occasional labor
- Some community members report water issues (mineral buildup, etc)
  - May be in need of a "blow out" at that water box or additional maintenance

**Reports:** Reports: Communication, and Correspondence Reports (10 min)

### Business

- [Mindi] Discuss potential actions to reduce dumping at front of canyon (10 min)
  - Community could do some work to clean-up and take away

- Educational materials have already been sent out
- Board could take action to work with county / SJ water to put up signage
  - Mindi to reach out to county
  - Mindi and Jim to look into EPA dumping complaints
- [Bud] Tactics to direct wayward traffic at 19400 Beardsley (5 min)
  - Covered in the reports above
- [Jim] Roadway and easement discussion: draft v2 letter (10 min)
  - Fourth paragraph to be removed
  - Third paragraph to get additional citation
  - Jim to recirculate with board after these changes
- [Mindi] Review community engagement email (5 min)
  - To be moved to next meeting
- [Susan] Capital Improvement Plan: Review draft timeline and costs (15 min)
  - To be moved to next meeting
- [Susan] Capital Improvement Plan: To schedule regular cadence for re-review (5 min)
  - To be moved to next meeting
- [Bud] New water pipeline - Laurel, Oak and Beardsley: Engineering proposal (10 min)
  - Nothing new to report: To be moved to next meeting
- [All] Water supply, demand, conservation and community communication (10 min)
  - Mostly covered in the reports above
  - Community engagement email to focus on conservation topics (water valley rebates, county/state guidelines, etc.)
  - Mindi to work with Bud on the details for the next communication for community engagement
- [Casey] Sediment in the water throughout the canyon
  - Covered in the reports above
- [All] Annual Sept. Members Mtg/: Date, in person vs virtual, board candidates
  - Meeting covers the year in review, financial details, community updates, and where we are going in the next year
  - Also includes the vote for the board: to discuss how to increase voting turnout
  - Considering Sept 11 or Sept 25 - to check with additional board members for schedules

### **Review Meeting Minutes**

Reviewed and approved in August 18, 2021 meeting

Jim makes a motion to approve the meeting minutes

Mindi seconds

Motion passes 3-0

### **Review agenda items for next board meeting**

**Adjourned**