

**MINUTES OF THE
MOAPA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING HELD
Thursday, August 8th, 2024**

PRESENT:	Kelby Robison	Jon Blackwell
	Lindsey Dalley	Ryan Wheeler - Phone
	Scott Farnsworth	Byron Mills
	Joe Davis, General Manager	
	Lon Dalley, Assistant General Manager	Jennifer Farnsworth
	Kiley Bradshaw	Jeannie Fox
	Vernon Robison	Mason Stratton

ORDER OF BUSINESS: At 4:05pm, Chairman Kelby Robison Called to order the regular meeting of the Moapa Valley Water District. The agenda items were addressed in the following order:

- 1) **Public Comment (may be limited to five minutes)**
None

- 2) **Approval of the Minutes of the previous meeting held July 18, 2024 (For Possible Action)**
On a motion of Lindsey Dalley and seconded by Scott Farnsworth the Board voted 5-0 to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2024, meeting.

- 3) **Update on EPA Mandated Lead Service Line Inventory (For Discussion Only)**
Joe Davis explained that Mason Stratton has been leading the Lead Service Line Inventory. Lead Engineering Tech Mason Stratton prepared a Board Presentation for the MVWD (LCRR). Mason had pictures explaining that we are trying to replace all Galvanized lines with a New PVC upgrade. Stratton said that this is a federal mandated project to keep customers safe from lead poisoning in the water. We do not have lead in our system but in some older parts of the Valley we have Galvanized lines that fall under the regulation. The Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR) requires water systems to prepare and maintain an inventory of service line materials. Initial inventories are required to be submitted to state primacy agencies by October 16, 2024. Stratton explained that the largest targeted area was down in Overton, around the middle school. There were still existing galvanized lines that needed to be replaced. It has been difficult and time consuming to find all the documentation for our 3,200-meter connections in our system. Board member Lindsey Dalley had a few questions that staff was able to answer.

- 4) **Managers' Report**
Jeannie Fox Office Manager reported that the budget in the board packet is through June 30th, which is the end of the fiscal year. There will be more added and taken away. Fox reported that we are right in the middle of our audit this week, but Ken Bessey has been working hard to get the material needed by the auditors. She went over the Capital Budget and Financial Dashboard which was also dated through June 30th but there are some adjustments that still need to be made, the Budget looks good, and things are going well in the office.
Lon Dalley, Assistant General Manager reported on the Spring/Ground Water Production. July was a super-hot month and Arrow Canyon #1 pumped 110,484,000 gallons of water. Dalley reported to the Board that we received Kiley Bradshaw's new truck for this fiscal year. We also received our new backhoe. Joe Davis, General Manager reported that our application for the SRF funds for the 1% financing is on their agenda for August 21st. Joe and Lon will be flying up to Reno to speak with the NDEP board about receiving the funds. The application and paperwork went in for the 1% financing of the 12,500,000, 2.5 million of that is principal forgiveness and then the rest is the 1% loan. Lindsey Dalley asked where the funds would be spent, and Joe reported that they would be used for the Narrows tank and the Arrow Canyon #3 project.
The application for the appropriations from Congressman Horsford's office, for 2.4 million cleared NEPA.

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The EPA asked that we request the funds so they can put it in our account so we can move forward with getting that first 9,000-foot section done. We have been holding off until we cleared NEPA to submit our application for a \$600,000 wavier. Now that it has cleared, we will get that submitted. Hopefully we won't have any cash outlay for that portion of that project.

We have a meeting with BLM next week to talk about our easements. We're being proactive because we not only have to have the NEPA compliance done for where the Narrows tank site is going to be, but we wanted to widen the easement that comes all the way through the Narrows so if we get the money to do the rest of that pipeline, we're going to add that twenty-foot piece through there.

In September Horsford's office will tell us if the budget is passed and if we'll be getting the 9.5 million for the 24" main line replacement in the Narrows.

Davis reported that on Saturday August 17th we invite anyone that can attend to come to the Main Street Ribbon cutting event. There will be a pancake breakfast starting at seven am down on Mainstreet. The second Saturday Market will be set up between Millett Insurance and Custom Fit. The chamber will be doing a raffle drawing. There is a stamp book where individuals can go to local businesses and get a stamp, then they can get in the drawing for a TV, Stadium Chairs or a Gift Certificate to the Flower shop or Ink and Amethyst. The ribbon cutting will be held at 9 am. County Commissioner Marilyn Kirkpatrick and Mario from NDOT will be there and we're really hoping for a great turn out. Board members had several questions that were answered.

5) Public Comment (May be limited to five minutes)

None

6) Directors' Preference

- Review Monthly Expenditures
- Litigation
- Other Related Water Rights

7) Public Comment (May be limited to five minutes)

None

8) Approval of the September 12, 2024 Board Meeting

The Board agreed to keep the September Board Meeting on Thursday September 12, 2024 at 4pm.

9) Adjournment

On a motion of Jon Blackwell and seconded by Scott Farnsworth the meeting adjourned at 4:40pm. The Board voted 5-0