

PWOC GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MINUTES

April 25, 2019

Pahrump Museum

401 E. Basin Rd

10:00am–Thursday

1. Call to Order

27 Members, Visitors 13 attended per our sign in sheets

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Volunteers needed for counting of Pass the Hat donations during our monthly meetings.

Special agenda item: Guest speaker Norma Jean Opatik

She spoke on behalf of Pahrump Fair Water concerning the Order 1293 (Transfer of Wealth) Lawsuit vs State Engineer, the first court date the judge decided against them, they had another court date, and they made an appeal and went to that court date and they won. The judge said they had no standing in the state of Nevada for doing what they were doing and shouldn't have been doing 1293A while Order 1293 was being adjudicated. Judge wanted to know if they could help the people who have built homes, or started building and let them put a well. Their attorneys did step up and petition the court, so they cancelled their order for 1293 and began with 1293A in the Supreme Court. State Engineer is still refusing those to drill their wells. Pahrump Fair Water is fighting also for those who have the right to be notified so they can speak on their behalf before it's settled especially those livelihoods that have been affected by this decision the State Engineer did. Nye County isn't over pumped, we're over allocated. They have no control over Domestic Wells. She would like us to go as support to Supreme Court date in Las Vegas possibly, donations can be given towards attorney's cost at- website: pahrumpfairwater.com (paypal), drop off at Norma's office. Also Lisa Bond is collecting donations also.

Private Well Owners Co-op donated \$1000, 2 chks \$500 ea. Motioned by Steve Larson, Robbyn Gibbons seconded, all were in favor.

3. Review and approval of prior membership meeting minutes: 03-28-19

Minutes are posted on our website- privatewellowners.com, Motion to approve by Robbyn Gibbons, seconded by Lance Schaus, all were in favor.

4. Reports, discussions and possible action(s)

(a) President- Dwight Lilly

Dwight spoke on the Wild West Extravaganza and invited us to go out to our booth May 3-5th. He spoke about how domestic wells are not a part of Water Law. Domestic Wells are exempted from Water rights, Water Law. He's going to post the Legal suit to our website.

(a) Arsenic testing

He said we were going to purchase arsenic testing kit for approx. \$500 dollars plus tax for 100 Members to start. Recorder battery died.

(b) Treasurer – Christina Stern

Bank Statement and Expenses, Income

Christina read the Treasurer's report for Deposits and Expenses, available for Members eyes at Pahrump Museum files.

Open Invoice Report

Christina had report for anyone questioning their account at end of meeting available.

(c) Secretary- Elaine Baumstark

Membership Certificates

Christina handed out Certificates to Members for Secretary Elaine as she was on temporary Leave this month.

(d) Vice President – Wade Hinden

Signs/Advertisement

Wade asked Members to display a sign on their property to help advertise the existence of our Co-op. Sign is Min. Donation \$10.00 or more. We got to have a free add in paper at this time in the Briefs.

Wild Extravaganza, Booths, Tables

Wade asked for Volunteers to handle the booth on the 4th and the 5th. We received 4 volunteers. Kenny Bent is volunteering his tables.

Well Testing

Testings with members has shown positive results and water is drinkable, 2 Members did show high Nitrate. We are in the process of researching Arsenic Testing Kits available.

(e) Director – Helene Williams

Members Notebooks progress

Helene presented the notebooks and showed a place for Certificates and place for Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws, and a place for education on maintenance of your wells.

Petition/Letter update

Helene passed around Well Owners petition for members and visitors to sign during meeting

Old Business

Pass The Hat

Hat was passed

6. New Business

(a) Corrections to updated by-laws

Helene made two corrections for By-Laws, Lance Schaus motioned to approve corrections, Dan Morrow seconded, all were in favor.

(b) Sergeant. at Arms for cooperative

We need Volunteer

(c) Appointment of new director

Two Members appointed to help Board of Directors, Aaron Koehler motioned to accept appointments, Debra Strickland seconded, all were in favor.

Congratulations and welcome to the Board..... Marilyn Davis and Lance Schaus.

Anthony Greco volunteered to video meetings monthly if Co-op interested.

7. Adjourn Meeting

James White motioned to adjourn, Charles Alumbaugh seconded, all were in favor.

Signed by Secretary:

Elaine Baumstark

There will be no smoking in the museum.