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QUAIL VALLEY WATER DISTRICT NEWS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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WATER RATE INCREASE

At the Board of Directors meeting on March 31, 2018, the Board, after much discussion and input from the public present, voted to raise the monthly meter charge by \$70.00. The consensus was that without the rate increase, the District was in danger of becoming insolvent.

The Board was aware of the requirements under state law that a rate study be performed and a protest election be held but the immediacy of the financial crisis being faced necessitated immediate action. At the same meeting the Board also voted to direct staff to begin a rate study and to retain our District Engineer (REVE Environmental) to assist in the process.

Comments by a Director after the Board meeting of 3/31/18 prompted revisiting the rate increase at the Board meeting of 4/28/18, but no action was taken and the rate increase was reflected on the next water bill.

Customer comments once the increased water bills were received again indicated further discussion was warranted. At the 6/30/18 Board meeting, a motion was made and passed to rescind the rate increase and implement a vol-

untary increase in the monthly meter charge of \$70.00 per month.

HOW WILL THIS WORK?

Water bills will include this voluntary increase as a separate line item. If you are willing to help keep the District operating and are willing to pay the increase, simply pay the total indicated on your bill and accept the sincere gratitude of all of us here at the District.

For those who do not wish to, or are unable to pay the increase, simply deduct the charge from your bill and pay the balance. There will be no penalties for not paying the increase.

For those who paid the increase with their last water bill, if you wish a credit, please deduct the charge from your current bill or call the Office (661-822-1923) and request a refund.

Additionally, while the details have not all been decided, those who do pay the increase will receive a corresponding credit on their bills once the new rates are implemented following the rate study and election.

Again the District thanks you for your support and we regret any inconvenience we have caused.

NOTICE OF VACANCY

Quail Valley Water District currently has a vacancy on the Board of Directors. If you are a property owner within the District and would like to be considered for appointment please send a brief resume to:

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24750 Sand Canyon Road
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