

CMWC Board Meeting - March 13, 2024

Attendees: CMWC Board: Heidi Dorius, Matt Bingham, Greg Watkins, Earlene Lee, Mark Greenwood (absent) Company Staff: Mike Johanson, manager

Others Attending: Blair Fredrickson, Ray Nettleton, Eric Plyer, Noelle Dunkley, Ted Taylor, Lynn Stevenson, Sean Dorius, Matt Wilkinson, Jesse Summers, Janda Busson, Rand Mattson, Cynthia Mattson, David Gossling, Chris Wilkinson

Attending online: Bill Chipp, Amber Rogers, Bret Galbraith, Matt Johnson

[VIEW RECORDING - 141 mins \(No highlights\)](#)

[Silver Lake reservoir storage agreement discussion @ 5:15](#)

Ray proposed a storage agreement for 34 acre feet in Silver Lake for Durst, but concerns were raised around other water rights, capacity, and Cottonwood's ability to fulfill agreements. The board agreed to further research water rights and storage availability before approving.

[Water rights and storage capacity clarification @ 19:13](#)

Confusion around water rights and storage credits was discussed, with clarification sought on the church's water right and Cottonwood's lack of access to Rollins Ranch tank. Ray provided documents showing Durst owns water rights filling Silver Lake.

[Reservoir storage credits and fire protection requirements @ 22:03](#)

The board questioned why the church's storage is sometimes attributed to Rollins Ranch, given it resides in the middle tank. Ray explained the original intent was to move storage to lower pressures once capacity expanded, though this had not occurred.

[Articles of incorporation rate structure discussion @ 32:36](#)

A shareholder recommended thoroughly researching how other water companies structure rates before changing the articles. Concerns were raised around bias, protections, and unintended consequences without due research.

[Landscaping proposal and budget discussion @ 46:07](#)

Alan McKean's prior suggestion of xeriscaping at Cottonwood's office was discussed. The board agreed to get zero-scaping bids for water conservation and aesthetics in their desert location.

[Reservoir gauge installation update @ 51:11](#)

Mike reported the reservoir gauges were installed except for areas frozen during installation, which would be completed. This brought the system fully online.

Reservoir expansion proposal @ 1:32:57

Ray proposed expanding Silver Lake by 107 acre-feet by rebuilding the dam, with Durst and partners shouldering costs above current users' needs. A work meeting was scheduled to further discuss the proposal.