

# News from the GM

## MARIANA RANCHOS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

**SPECIAL  
POINTS OF  
INTEREST:**

- This month's Board meeting is Tuesday, March 10th at 6:00pm
- Finance Committee meets Friday, March 13th at 5:00pm
- Please call the office with any questions or to receive financial assistance on your bill.

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**F I N A N C E C O M M I T T E E**

The second meeting of the Finance Committee went extremely well. I would like to compliment the Directors and Customers that are giving up their time to come up with good financial solutions to the District's challenges. And they are doing it without compensation! I am extremely pleased at the amount of work they have accomplished in such a short time. They

were given complete financials which included last fiscal years budget, the proposed budget for this fiscal year, current rate examples that compare our rates to seven different water providers here in the area, and printouts from three major rate setting programs that were provided by Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC) to enable them to come up with a rate

structure that is not only fair to the customers of MRCWD, but also fair to the District in recouping it's expenses, and keeping the Reserves fully funded for the future.

Again, I would like to invite each and every one of the District's customers to the next meeting. It's on Friday, the 13th of March at 5:00pm. It will be held here in the main office conference room at 9600 Manzanita St.

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**February Meeting of the Board**

The following Actions occurred at the February 10th regular meeting.

Approval of candidate for LAFCO Elections.  
Approved the Registrar of Voters using our conference room for elections again this year.

Approved 1 new service connection and tabled 1 due to lack of supporting information

**Agenda Items for the March Meeting**

Discuss and Approve Resolutions 9-02/9-03 adjusting current rate and 48 hour notifications to accounts for February.

Discuss and approve closing the office for 2 separate days for depositions and staff training.

**W A T E R D I S T R I C T M A I N T E N A N C E**

Lately we have been receiving some criticism and complaints when we have to flush out the fire hydrants and standpipes throughout the district. I'd like to clear up some misconceptions and explain why it's so very important to you and your family.

We don't do it to make a mess or dig holes and trenches in the road. We try very vigorously to use our fire

hoses and put the water where it will cause the least amount of damage. But our (expensive) hoses are wearing out. Too many cars have driven over them and they are full of holes! Flushing or running the hydrants allows us to remove sediment, small pieces of sand and rust particles from the system. These naturally occur and usually do not cause alarm. But if too much is al-

lowed it could harbor bad things like Taste and Odor issues, or even coliform bacteria. The next reason is to exercise or cycle the valves on the hydrants and standpipes themselves. You would like them to work if you needed them! We do too, and if we don't take care of them they will fail us when it hurts the most. Please understand we are doing this for your families safety!