

La Mesa Water Cooperative

WaterGram - July 2011

Annual Meeting and Election

The Annual Meeting of the La Mesa Water Cooperative was held at 7:00 PM on April 26, 2011.

This was the last meeting for President George Bailey who has moved to Spokane, WA. George has served on the Board for many years. Prior to his election as President, he served in several other positions, including Treasurer. We thank George for his years of service to both the Homeowner's Association and the Water Coop. We wish George and Barbara much happiness in their new home.

Board member Francis West was elected to another 2-year term. David Kessler (La Mesa) and Dan Lawrence (Sundance Mesa) were also elected to 2-year terms. We welcome David and Dan to the Board.

Officers for 2011-2012 are:

President--Gordon Forbes
VP for Projects-- David Kessler
VP for Operations--Dennis Szarka
Treasurer--Dan Lawrence
Secretary--Irena King
NMED liaison-- Francis West

Marty Davis served as a Director and VP for Operations for many years. Although he did not run for re-election, he agreed to supervise the construction of our new well. At the May meeting the Board appointed him as Director of Well #6.

Coop Ready for Summer Usage

We are now in the season of high water usage. All of our equipment is working well, and we are not having any difficulty meeting the current or expected demand for water.

Approval of Budgets

At the annual meeting there were insufficient votes to approve the revised 2011 and the new 2012 annual budgets. Because these budgets were not approved, our bylaws would have required us to seek member approval for all expenditures over \$5,000. To avoid this costly and inefficient procedure, a special mail ballot was sent in May. This time there were sufficient votes and the budgets were approved. Thank you!

Summer Watering Schedule

The Coop recommends that most members follow the Albuquerque *Water by the Numbers* system. This system recommends watering once a week in March, twice a week in April, May, September and October, and three times a week in June, July and August. This schedule may have to be adjusted to the needs of specific plants, but most members will save water and have healthier plants if the 1-2-3-2-1 schedule is followed.

Contacting the Board

Want to know more? Members are encouraged to attend Board meetings. These are held at 5:00 PM on the fourth Tuesday of the month at the "Tank Site" (104 Camino Barranca). Meeting agendas are posted at the mailboxes approximately a week in advance of the meeting. You can contact individual Board members at the numbers listed below or write us at the same address where you send your payment. Please tell us how we can serve you better.

Board of Directors

Marty Davis	771-9127	Irena King	771-8437	David Otter	867-7986
Gordon Forbes	771-3464	Dan Lawrence	771-1408	Dennis Szarka	867-5225
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