

Quemado Mutual Water & Sewage Association Minutes  
Monthly Meeting June 12<sup>th</sup> 2025  
16 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Quemado NM 87829 @5:30pm

Meeting was called to order by Board President Al Guthridge at 5:48pm

Proof of quorum by roll call Al Guthridge, Rusty Stewart, Jo Temer, Louanne Gippner, Michelle Bingham present

There was no public comment

There were no minutes from previous meeting due to no quorum

Motion made to accept the current meeting agenda by Louanne Gippner, seconded by Jo Temmer. All present voted in favor. Motion passed.

Financial Report was presented by Al Guthridge on behalf of Jenny Craig. Motion was made to accept the Financial Report as presented by Rusty Stewart and seconded by Louanne Gippner. All present voted in favor. Motion passed.

Operations report was presented by Al Guthridge. Motion was made to accept the Operator's report as presented by Rusty Stewart and seconded by Michelle Bingham. All present voted in favor. Motion passed

Othe of Office tabled until July meeting.

Rate increases on both Commercial and Residential rates was discussed. A vote will be held in the July meeting to put in place new rates.

Septic Tank/ Porta Potty disposal was discussed. It was decided to vote in the July meeting to either discontinue offering the service or to raise the rates.

Discussion was had over the possible replacement of two existing fire hydrants. One at the school and the other on Candelaria. Bids ranging between \$8000 and \$10,000 were presented. Board will vote on this item in the July meeting.

The board discussed the potential purchase of a backhoe.

Board discussed the cleaning and inspection of the storage tank. It was decided to add a vote to the July meeting as to whether or not to accept Midco's bid for \$4,842 which includes the cleaning and inspection with video, confidential report utilizing EPA guidelines and confidential fill written report utilizing EPA or State guidelines.

A remote alarm system for the Lift Station was purchased to keep the Association in compliance. Purchase cost was \$3,793.14, from Sellars.

The Board discussed having a website built by Will Ram for an upfront cost of \$600 with an annual fee of \$300 to maintain. Questions of ADA compliance were brought up during the discussion. Further research into the matter will be done.

The Consumer Compliance Report was discussed. It was brought to the Boards attention that the Association is out of compliance for not reporting that we are out of compliance due to no fault of our own.

Bulk Water Fill Station report show that the concrete pad and filling tower have been installed. Some trench work needs to be completed once proper equipment is procured.

Next Board Meeting will be scheduled for July 10<sup>th</sup> 2025 at 5:30pm

A motion was made by Jo Temmer and seconded by Louanne Gippner to close Open Session and enter Executive Session by roll call vote. Jo Temmer, Rusty Stewart, Louanne Gippner and Michelle Bingham all voted in favor. Open Session was closed and Executive Session was entered into at 8:03pm

Motion was made by Michelle Bingham and seconded by Louanne Gippner to close out of Executive Session and return to Open Session by roll call vote. Jo Temmer, Rusty Stewart, Louanne Gippner and Michelle Bingham all voted in favor. Executive Session was closed and Open Session resumed at 8:31pm

Motion to adjourn was made by Michelle Bingham and seconded by Jo Temmer. All present voted in favor. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:31pm