

The Special Rate and Fee Committee met at the Sheraton Downtown Phoenix Hotel on Saturday, June 17, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 10:30. Those in attendance were Committee Chair: Mike Draper, Janeen Draper, Rick Brown, Coleen Brown, David Knobbe and Lorie Knobbe.

The goal of the meeting was to propose a fee structure to present at the next regular board meeting. At the conclusion of the meeting a "Standpipe Access Fee" was decided on. This will be a one time fee of \$1000.00 per parcel to be paid over a 2 year period. District property owners will have the following options to pay their fee:

- (1) One payment of \$1000.00
- (2) Annually at \$500.00
- (3) Quarterly at \$125.00 or
- (4) Monthly at \$42.00.

There are currently 73 property owners with 76 properties. The \$1000.00 fee will be applied to each property owned. For those who are financially able we encourage the full \$1000.00 be paid up front. The more money we have up front the faster we can begin the process of completing the necessary first steps of getting the standpipe installed. The immediate actions will include pursuing a lease agreement with the Morgans, a full GPM test on their well, and the required water quality tests by the ADEQ. After that an engineering firm will be hired to give an "Estimate of Probable Cost." This will include the necessary infrastructure to the standpipe location and storage tanks.

Once the standpipe is in operation a water usage price will be determined.

David reported that the initial 8 hour flow/recovery test on the Morgan Well that was conducted on Sept 2, 2022 showed this water source would be more than enough water to provide for our district. A more conclusive GPM test will need to be conducted.

The committee agreed to an "open enrollment period" to encourage more Nutrioso neighbors to join the District. The first year properties being annexed into the district will pay what the current District Property Owners are paying. If they own multiple properties in the Nutrioso area, all will need to be included. All subsequent years of an "open enrollment" will include any surveyor costs as well as bringing the total amount due equal to the amount paid by the original District Property Owners from Day 1 plus a possible additional percentage to be determined each year prior to the open enrollment.

David and Lorie will work on getting the information on WIFA grants and loans. Once they get that information it will be presented to the District Members at a regular EMDWID Board Meeting.

The consensus was to get a standpipe up and running prior to any talk about future waterworks infrastructure. The "Standpipe Access Fee" only applies to the standpipe and its corresponding infrastructure costs.

Meeting adjourned at 11:34.