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May 18, 2023

Medina Water Supply Members,

On May 9, 2022, the Board of Directors voted for a 5 year plan to raise the base rate for water service, beginning July 2022. This rate plan was designed to bring revenue in line with expenses, avoid a one time large increase in fees, and to allow our customers to plan in advance for the gradual increases.

The rate schedule therefore is:

2023 (effective July) \$40 2024 (effective July 2024) \$45 2025 (effective July 2025 \$50 2026 (effective July 2026) \$55

The amount of included water in the base rate will remain 2,000 gallons per service period (21th to the 20th). For water use over 2,000 gallons, the rate of \$1.00 per 100 gallons or part of 100 gallons remains the same.

In accordance with the approved rate plan of 2022, beginning July 21, 2023 service period, the new water rate will be: \$40 base rate that includes the first 2,000 gallons. Water use over 2000 gallons remains at the above rate.

The Board of Directors regrets raising the rate but additional costs force this increase. The Medina Water Supply has no debt but the replacement of aging equipment and inflation costs have cut into the financial reserves which need to be replenished and for the Water Supply Corporation to remain solvent.

The Water Board realizes the financial burden the current economy is causing and has made every effort to contain costs and manage the Water Company's finances in the most efficient manner. In addition, the Board has pursued outside support for needed maintenance of the current system as well as improvements. This past year, we secured over \$100,000 in grant funds to purchase backup generators for both water plants. This project will be completed this summer. We are also working with partners to secure funding for maintenance, infrastructure improvements, and an increase in well capacity.

As a reminder, we are under EXCEPTIONAL drought restrictions (stage 5) <u>10-10-13-Drought-Management-Plan.pdf (bcragd.org)</u>. Please conserve and follow the guidelines.

If you think you have a leak on your side of the water meter, turn off all the water faucets in and around your house then look at the water meter for your home. If the red triangle is moving, there is water moving through the meter, indicating a leak.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Office manager, Kevin Ayers, at (830) 589-7689.

The next Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for 6pm on 6/12/2023 at the Medina Community Library, Rodney Camp Pavilion. We invite you to attend any of the monthly meetings.

Thank You,

Board of Directors, Medina Water Supply Corp.