# THE BUBBLER

Blue Lake Springs Mutual Water Company Newsletter

July 2022

Please See the Proposed Bylaws Change to be voted on at the September 10, 2022 Board of Directors Meeting.

# **Proposed Bylaws Change**

Brief Summary of the Proposed Bylaws Change

The proposed change would reduce the quorum requirement for Shareholder meetings from 25% to 20% of all Shareholders in good standing. The proposed change brings the BLSMWC Bylaws in line with the minimum quorum requirement in Corporations Code section 602.

Text of the Proposed Bylaws Change

Article 7. Meetings of Shareholders

Section 4. Quorum

The presence in person or by proxy of 25 to 20% of all shareholders in good standing of the Company, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the shareholders.

(Reference: Corp. Code 602.)

Please send in your thoughts or comments to be reviewed by the Board before the vote to adopt the changes in September.

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# Drought Stage 2

# June - July Annual Meeting

See blsmwc.com for rebates offered during Drought Stage 2.

Car wash tokens are available in the Office from 8am-4pm Monday-Friday.

Mandatory Restrictions in use:

Necessary 20% Total Supply Reduction

Odd-days: Tues., Thurs., Sat.

Even-days: Wed., Fri., Sun.

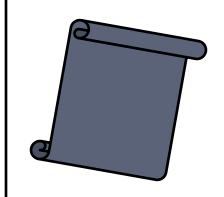
NO watering between 10am and 6pm

NO watering of forest trees (Bark Beetle)

No unnecessary watering (decks, cars, driveways, etc.)

The June 4, 2022 Annual Shareholder's Meeting was adjourned to July 9, 2022 in hopes of collecting more proxies to establish a quorum. Unfortunately, we did not received the 25% necessary. The three running incumbents were installed by Resolution 22-7-9. We welcome Andy Rich, Dan Crosby, and Bill Cover back to the Board of Directors.

See President's Report for more details..



"Asked to name an example of water waste, one Arizona 6<sup>th</sup> grader replied,
'Cooking Carrots!"

# Account Manager 's Report.....Kathy Powell

- The third billing for 2022 was sent out at the end of June. We are half way through the year. Amazing!
- Please consider signing up for Autopay, very convenient and free to our Shareholder's.
- Feel free to call anytime you have questions or need help with using our third party billing website.
- Car wash tokens have been a success so far. We will continue to hand them out through the month of August as well.
- If you are selling your property, please discontinue your autopay online.



## President's Report—Sharon Tobias

President's Report

Please remember that your votes count and are important to the BLSMWC.

The BLSMWC held the Annual Shareholder's Meeting on June 4, 2022. The Director of Elections, Jeff Jones, reported that we did not have a sufficient number of proxies to achieve a quorum to conduct business, so we were unable to elect directors. A quorum would be achieved if we had received 491 proxies from our shareholders.

Annual reports were given by General Manager Tyler Mayo, Treasurer Bill Cover, LRPC Chair Tom Schneider, and the President. The meeting was adjourned until July 9 in the hope that we would receive more returned proxies from the shareholders.

On July 9, the Board met and resumed the Annual Shareholder's meeting. The Director of Elections, Jeff Jones, reported that we still were short by 46 proxies. A Resolution was passed by the existing 4 directors to appoint Bill Cover, Dan Crosby, and Andy Rich as directors. Congratulations to Bill, Dan and Andy!!!

An organizational meeting was held next to elect officers of the Board. The officers elected are Sharon Tobias as President, Andy Rich as Vice President, Bill Cover as Treasurer and Secretary. The following standing committee appointments were made:

Finance and Rates: Shareholder Craig Lutz, Bill Cover, Andy Rich and Jon Dashner

Infrastructure and Facilities: Shareholder Craig Lutz, Bill Cover, Dan Crosby, and Sharon Tobias

Investment Management: Bill Cover, Dan Crosby, Shareholder Craig Lutz, Andy Rich

Personnel: Andy Rich and Bruce Utter

Water Supply, Conservation and Outreach: Jeff Jones, Shareholder Joe Morgan, Sharon Tobias

We also held a regular Board of Directors meeting on July 9. During the meeting the Board proposed a change to the Bylaws to consider reducing the quorum needed from 25% to 20% of shareholders in good standing in order to transact business at any meeting of the shareholders. The Board and BLSMWC will be looking at other voting methods for future elections.

Thank you to the staff and the directors who called our shareholders requesting the submittal of proxies and ballots. Thank you to those of you who returned the proxy and ballot.

Thank you for all of your continued efforts in conserving water. Please continue conservation as we head into August and September.

Lastly, I'd like to thank Tom Schneider who was on the Board for 10 years and has served as Treasurer and led the LRPC for 7 years. Tom has led our efforts to make sure that the future of the BLSMWC is carefully planned. Tom is stepping down as the LRPC chair and will be greatly missed.

## Have an idea?

The Bubbler is published to keep Blue Lake Springs
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shareholders informed about issues and upcoming events.
If you would like to submit an article or suggest ideas for improvement, please contact Kathy Powell
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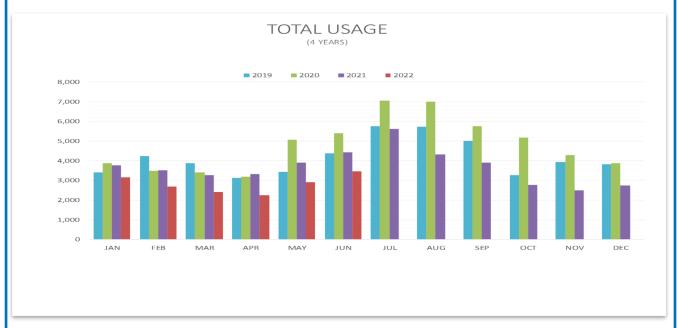
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# General Manager's Report - Tyler Mayo

**Usage:** BLSMWC usage is down nearly 1 million gallons (22%) from last year. For the month of June we saved more than the State requirement of 20% reduction in usage. Thank you for your conservation efforts, please keep it up throughout the drought. If we can all work together to conserve, the water will always be there when you need it.



**Field:** This summer we will be working on some minor repairs to the storage tanks. There was damage done to the level gauge and vent during the January storm. Throughout the summer the staff will be conducting their annual maintenance of the distribution system. Please be mindful of them while driving through the subdivision.

**Drought:** Remember BLSMWC does not allow watering of the forest trees throughout all of our drought stages. Currently, we are in Stage 2 of our Drought Action Plan. Addresses ending in an odd number can water Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday before 10am and after 6pm. Addresses ending in an even number can water Wednesday, Friday and Sunday before 10am and after 6pm. No outside watering on Mondays. For more information regarding our drought stages go to www.blsmwc.com.

#### Usage (gallons x 1,000)

DATE	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
2012	3,624	3,425	3,092	3,108	4,560	5,100	6,902	6,435	5,540	4,173	3,355	4,133	53,447
2013	4,265	3,157	3,066	3,233	4,341	5,738	7,992	7,117	4,885	4,401	3,822	4,097	56,114
2014	3,305	2,974	2,973	3,393	4,152	4,532	5,878	5,262	3,834	3,430	2,946	3,579	46,258
2015	3,329	2,480	2,587	2,269	2,602	2,908	4,343	4,066	3,315	2,627	2,710	4,057	37,293
2016	3,495	2,993	2,488	2,860	3,479	4,225	6,109	5,804	5,033	3,527	2,842	3,609	46,464
2017	4,223	3,007	2,942	2,603	3,378	4,064	6,296	5,354	4,675	3,723	3,158	3,497	46,920
2018	2,956	3,286	3,598	2,815	3,114	3,938	6,183	5,037	4,234	3,188	3,498	3,618	45,465
2019	3,417	4,242	3,890	3,125	3,431	4,385	5,759	5,720	5,016	3,274	3,931	3,835	50,025
2020	3,873	3,501	3,408	3,201	5,058	5,411	7,067	7,014	5,767	5,187	4,296	3,888	57,671
2021	3,768	3,515	3,275	3,336	3,894	4,432	5,613	4,336	3,921	2,787	2,496	2,737	44,110
2022	3,173	2,703	2,412	2,252	2,915	3,469							16,924