



A Monthly Newsletter

June 2023

Serving the Community

“Your Independent Local Government Agency Providing Water, Wastewater, Drainage, Security and Solid Waste Services”

District Meeting Schedule For June 2023

Committee Meetings Will Be Held in Person

June 1, 2023

Personnel **Cancelled**
Improvements **Cancelled**
Finance **Cancelled**

June 6, 2023

Communication & Technology **Cancelled**
Security **Cancelled**

Board Meetings Will Be Held In Person

Regular Board Meeting

June 7, 2023 @ 5:00 p.m.

Regular Board Meeting

June 21, 2023 @ 5:00 p.m.

The public is invited to attend.

All meeting dates and times are subject to change. Be sure to check our website, www.rmcsd.com for any changes

BE SURE TO LIKE US ON FACEBOOK!

WELCOME MIMI MORRIS—NEW GENERAL MANAGER

We are pleased to welcome Mimi Morris as our new General Manager! She started with the District May 18, 2023. Mimi came out of retirement to lead the team at CSD, and has agreed to a three year contract with the District.

Mimi holds a master’s degree in accountancy, and has studied Spanish literature.

Her past employment included overseeing all administrative aspects of the AmeriCorps program at the Governor’s office, where she:

- * Conducted audits every 7 to 9 years
- * Streamlined the dispersal of \$122 million in bond funding
- * Reduced the back amounts owed to vendors at the Judicial Council of CA from \$100 million to \$1 million

She has already been hard at work, acclimating herself to the District, overseeing the Budget process, and working on a response to the Grand Jury Report. Staff have welcomed her as their new leader, and look forward to all of the skills that she will use to reestablish the organizational culture, the processes and procedures, and the accounting system to make sure it is all functioning right.

Rancho Murieta Community Services District

Join Us in Welcoming Mimi Morris to our Team!



June 7, AT 4:00 p.m. 15160 Jackson Rd.

FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 BUDGET HEARING SCHEDULED

The 2023-2024 fiscal year for the District begins July 1, 2023. The budget, including Capital Projects and the proposed service charge increases is scheduled for the District's June 7, 2023 Regular meeting of the Board of Directors.

Directors and staff have been reviewing data and have capped the projected increase for residential customers to 13% outside of the gates, and 11% behind the gates. The rate could be reduced during these hearings, but not increased. Notices to customers regarding the rate increase were mailed on April 17, 2023 in compliance with Proposition 218. The proposed rate hike would increase the average residential bill \$21.54 outside of the gates and \$23.85 behind the gates per month.

You can protest the rate increase. Protests must be submitted in writing. Written letters of protest must be received at the District prior to the close of the June 7, 2023 public hearing. Email protest letters will not be accepted. Protests must contain your name and a description of the property in which you are the owner of record or tenant (customer of record). A street address and/or the assessor's parcel number are sufficient descriptions. Send your comments to Rancho Murieta Community Services District, C/O Director of Administration, P.O. Box 1050, Rancho Murieta, California 95683 or call (916) 354-3700.

CODERED EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

Rancho Murieta Community Services District has instituted the CodeRED Emergency Notification System. The CodeRED Emergency Notification System is a high-speed telephone communication service for emergency notifications. This system allows us to telephone all or targeted areas of Rancho Murieta Community Services District in case of an emergency situation that requires immediate action (such as a boil water notice, law enforcement emergency or evacuation notices). The system is capable of dialing 50,000 phone numbers per hour. It then delivers our recorded message to a live person or an answering machine, making three attempts to connect to any number.

THIS SYSTEM WILL ONLY BE USED FOR DISTRICT EMERGENCY PURPOSES

Examples of times when the CodeRED system could be utilized: drinking water contamination, evacuation notice and route, missing children, fires or floods, law enforcement emergency, chemical spill or gas leak and other emergency incidents within the District where rapid and accurate notification is essential for life safety.

You can sign up for CodeRED alerts below:

<https://www.ranchomurieta.com/new-way-to-enroll-in-codered-by-text>

NOTE: CodeRED IS FOR LOCAL EVENTS WITH MESSAGES CREATED BY THE DISTRICT!

All Residents are encouraged to additionally enroll in the Sacramento County Emergency Alert system, Reverse 9-1-1

Sacramento County residents are encouraged to register with Sacramento Alert (Reverse 911) at www.sacramento-alert.org. This service is operated by the Sacramento County Office of Emergency Services (Sac. OES) in partnership with the Yolo and Placer County Emergency Services. Registering only takes a few minutes.



NEW BILLING SYSTEM

Dear Valued Customers -

Thank you for your patience as we transition to our new accounting software program. We will have exciting news within the next two months about our "on-line" payment system.

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BUSINESS HOURS

Monday - Thursday

8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Friday—Closed

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APRIL 26, 2023 TOWN HALL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- Directors Booth and Maybee led a discussion about the 218 Rate Increase
- Vanessa Burke (PUN Group) discussed the slide presentation
- The Board rescheduled the May 17, 2023 Board Meeting to June named the GM Transition Ad Hoc Committee members, and MRG Recruiting as the negotiators for the new General Manager's contract
- Received update from GM Transition Ad Hoc Committee
- Approved Resolution R2023-07 which authorizes the District to apply for Cal-Recycle Grants
- Voted to discontinue the contract with Staples Construction for repairs to the Safety Center after discovering more damage than initially thought and instructed Staff to look into options for replacement

MAY 2, 2023 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- Scheduled May 17, 2023 Regular Board Meeting

MAY 17, 2023 BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- Received Update from Martin Pohll on GM Transition Ad Hoc Committee
- Considered Formalized Process for Security Services with RMA

April 2023 COMMITTEE MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Personnel Committee

- Discussed upcoming Labor Union Negotiations
- Discussed updating Plant Operator and Utility Worker Job Descriptions

Improvements Committee

- Received monthly updates
- Discussed Security Building Upgrades
- Discussed Lost Lake Maintenance
- Discussed Recycled Water Infrastructure
- Discussed Clementia Potable Water Storage
- Discussed Chloring Gas Release After Accident Report

Security Committee

- Received monthly updates
- Received Update on the Safety Center
- Discussed Hiring Part Time in Lieu of Full Time
- Upgrades to the Front Office for Staff Safety will be added as a CIP Project

Finance Committee

- Discussed Prop 218
- Reviewed FY 2023-24 Capital Projects

Communications & Technology Committee

- Discussed purpose of Communications Committee
- Discussed upgrades to the Pipeline

Security Committee

- Received Monthly Update

RESERVOIR LEVELS

- As of May 31, 2023, the Reservoirs are all 100% Full with the Batter Boards.

Spring Warm-Up & Snowmelt

Photo Credit: Kate Cooley



RIVER
DEADLY
COLD

What to Expect

Waterways will be extremely cold, fast-flowing and running higher than normal due to the melting of record snowpack during spring warm-up.

Cold Water Safety

- This year's expected high runoff in rivers can be dangerous even with the use of life jackets.
- Do not enter cold, fast-running water. Never go near the water alone. Never enter the water to rescue a victim. Throw something that floats and call 9-1-1.
- Actively supervise children in and around open bodies of water.



HOW TO CONTACT THE DISTRICT

Visit us on the web at www.rmcsd.com!

- *The District's Administration Office is located at: 15160 Jackson Road, Rancho Murieta
- *Our mailing address is: P.O. Box 1050, Rancho Murieta, CA 95683; Main Office: 916-354-3700
- *South Gate: 916-354-3743 *Contact the South Gate for after-hours water problems.*