

Crystal Springs Water District

Domestic Water System

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President Mike McCafferty called the August Board meeting to order at 3:05pm. Other commissioners present were Eric Cederstam, Jim Jans, and Larry Brown. Non-members present: Tom Ferrell of Pace Engineering, Superintendent Fred Schatz, and Office Manager Brian O'Shaughnessy.

Pledge of Allegiance.

President McCafferty opened and closed the Public Comment period at 3:06. No members of the public were present.

Commissioners unanimously approved the July 2023 regular (Brown/Cederstam) and executive session (Jans/Brown) meeting minutes.

Superintendent Schatz presented the July 2023 Treasurer's Report, providing an overview of revenues by category: residential, industrial, fire, and LIRA. (Cederstam/Jans)

Superintendent Schatz provided an overview of July 2023 bills paid. The Board unanimously ratified the payment of July 2023 bills. (Jans/Cederstam)

In "New Business," the following were discussed...

Superintendent Schatz reviewed one new water service application. Commissioners unanimously approved the request for the following... (Brown/Jans)

Mills / 4588 Woodworth Dr (3/4")

There was a discussion regarding drilling wells within district boundaries. The Superintendent spoke with the County about the procedure through land use changes that would protect the district's boundaries by requiring connection to the public water system first, if the district is able to provide adequate service to the property, before drilling a well would be allowed. Any changes to land use would need to be approved by the Hood River County Commissioners. The Board asked the Superintendent to investigate the process further with the County.

Commissioners unanimously approved Resolution 2324.03, authorizing the Superintendent to surplus the 2013 Chevy 2500 and 2010 Chevy Colorado trucks. This resolution authorizes the District Superintendent to sell them in the best interest of the district. (Brown/Jans)

In "Old Business," the following were discussed...

Superintendent Schatz presented the August Superintendent's Report, addressing the maintenance crew's progress on meter/valve replacements, and pipe projects. There was a

total of 107 work orders, 18 meters replaced, 41 locate requests, 17 leaks repaired, and 12 pressure issues resolved. The maintenance crew has also been busy flushing dead-end lines, cleaning moss off the tops of the reservoirs, and painting hydrants.

Regarding the Davis Spring, Superintendent Schatz stated that he started noticing organic material in the overflow screen at the control box. Even though we were still getting good results in sampling, he began an investigation to locate the source of the material. On August 9th, Pacific Int-R-Tek was hired to run their robotic camera system through 130' of the source pipe into the spring collection system. It was noted that there is some vegetation growing within the source pipe. While not a public health risk, it is an indicator that bacteria can be present. These lines are all before treatment with chlorine. The pumps were offline during the investigation and remain so at this time. The source line was shock chlorinated for 24 hours, then flushed. If the sample results come back clear, then the pumps will be turned back on. The district will continue to monitor this with samples to be taken on a weekly basis. Once the spring rehabilitation project is completed, this issue should be permanently resolved.

In addition, the Superintendent gave an update on the new EPA lead and copper line inventory requirements. As of August 23rd, the crew has inventoried 346 services. In addition to inventorying service line types, the district is creating a digital database on all our service applications and storing them remotely. A college student has been hired to scan documents, and then record a variety of information on three different databases.

Tom Ferrell from Pace Engineering gave a brief overview of the Culbertson to Cooper Spur project. The start date is scheduled for the end of August, and it should take two weeks to complete the project. In addition, he also stated that Pace is still working on the three CIP projects. They are working on alignment and identifying any potential conflicts.

The Board meeting was adjourned at 4:00pm by unanimous consent.

Mike McCafferty President

Eric Cederstam Secretary