

Crystal Springs Water District

Domestic Water System

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May 15, 2025

President Mike McCafferty called the May Board meeting to order at 3:00pm. Other commissioners present were Eric Cederstam, Craig Ortega, Larry Brown and James Jans. Non-members present: Attorney Mark Womble, Tom Ferrell of Pace Engineering, Superintendent Fred Schatz, and Office Manager Brian O'Shaughnessy.

Pledge of Allegiance.

President McCafferty opened the Public Comment period at 3:03. No members of the public were present.

Commissioners unanimously approved of the April 2025 regular meeting minutes. (Jans/Ortega)
Commissioners also unanimously approved the April 2025 executive session meeting minutes. (Jans/Cederstam)

Superintendent Schatz presented the April 2025 Treasurer's Report, providing an overview of revenues by category: residential, industrial, fire, and LIRA. (Cederstam/Jans)

Superintendent Schatz provided an overview of April 2025 bills paid. The Board unanimously ratified the payment of the April 2025 bills. (Jans/Cederstam)

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

Superintendent Schatz reviewed five new water service applications. The five applications submitted by Jack Bryant were tabled for further review at next month's meeting.

Jack Bryant / 704 Hillcrest Rd (3/4")
Jack Bryant / 709 Hillcrest Rd (3/4")
Jack Bryant / 710 Hillcrest Rd (3/4")
Jack Bryant / 711 Hillcrest Rd (3/4")
Jack Bryant / 600 Hillcrest Rd (3/4")

Commissioners unanimously approved Resolution 2425.07, amending public contracting rules. (Brown/Ortega)

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

Commissioners unanimously agreed to accept the recommendation of a 2.6% COLA increase for Superintendent Schatz, beginning fiscal year 2025-2026. (Cederstam/Jans)

Superintendent Schatz presented the May Superintendent's Report, addressing the maintenance crew's progress on meter/valve replacements, and pipe projects for April. There was a total of 77 work orders, 28 locate requests, 12 leaks repaired, 7 pressure issues resolved, and a vault replaced on Willow Flat Rd. Two 1" galvanized service lines were also replaced on Hwy 35 and Meadow Brook Road with pex. The Superintendent also stated that the 8" ductile pipe order for both the Hwy 35 and Dog River projects are being stored at the South Valley Reservoir property since both projects are in the upper valley. One of the District's suppliers offered to supply free of charge the parts for a vault lift demonstration provided we were able to get other local utilities involved. Representatives from Ice Fountain, Chenoweth Water PUD, City of The Dalles, and the City of Cascade Locks were also in attendance.

In addition, the Superintendent briefed the commissioners on the public hearing for SB 5531, Lottery Bond Funding-Joint Water Caucus. Superintendent Schatz submitted applications and provided testimony on behalf of the District for direct appropriation of State funds for two projects at enhancing water storage and flows within the Odell and Parkdale Unincorporated Plans. Due to the high volume of applications received relative to available funds, the outcome of the District's inclusion remains to be determined.

Tom Ferrell of Pace Engineering then gave an update on the CIP projects, stating that the engineering portion of projects 24, 25, and 26 are approximately 60% complete. He is also working with the Superintendent on the Dog River project and is continuing to update the master plan.

The Board meeting was adjourned at 3:45pm by unanimous consent.

Mike McCafferty

President

Eric Cederstam

Secretary