

# Crystal Springs Water District

## Domestic Water System

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November 16, 2023

President Mike McCafferty called the November Board meeting to order at 3:05pm. Other commissioners present were Eric Cederstam, Jim Jans, and Larry Brown. 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 and closed the Public Comment period at 3:06. No members of the public were present.

Commissioners unanimously approved the August 2023 regular meeting minutes. (Jans/Brown)

Superintendent Schatz presented the September & October 2023 Treasurer's Reports, providing an overview of revenues by category: residential, industrial, fire, and LIRA. (Brown/Jans)

Superintendent Schatz provided an overview of August, September, & October 2023 bills paid. The Board unanimously ratified the payment of the August, September, & October 2023 bills. (Cederstam /Jans)

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

Superintendent Schatz reviewed four new water service applications. Commissioners unanimously approved the request for the following... (Jans/Cederstam)

Dan Green / 4820 Hwy 35 (3/4")

Katrina McAlexander / 6670 Trout Creek Ridge (3/4")

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Glen Cody / 6725 Allen Rd (3/4")

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

Superintendent Schatz presented the November Superintendent's Report, addressing the maintenance crew's progress on meter/valve replacements, and pipe projects. There were a total of 336 work orders, 29 meters replaced, 3 hydrants installed, 186 locate requests, 36 leaks repaired, and 35 pressure issues resolved. The Superintendent also mentioned that the fiber optic installers hit 13 service lines requiring repairs or replacement, so there were multiple after hours calls for those repairs. Crystal Springs is working with the company to improve potholing services.

Regarding the Culbertson Drive project, Superintendent Schatz stated that it is 99% completed. Once the anodes are delivered, electricians will install them on the casing. The only issue is that there is a leak just beyond the project, which the maintenance crew has not yet been able to locate. The Superintendent may look at the cost of replacing the 70' of line and updating the vault if the leak cannot be found.

In addition, the Superintendent gave an update on the new EPA lead and copper line inventory requirements. As of October 1<sup>st</sup>, the crew has inventoried 1,780 services, with approximately 800 remaining. In addition to inventorying service line types, the district is creating a digital database on all our service applications and storing them remotely. He also gave an update on the Mueller Ecologic Pilot program. Crystal Springs staff and the Mueller installation team started to install the acoustic sensors in the pilot area, but the valve sensors needed to complete the work were not shipped with the hydrant sensors. The hydrant sensors have been installed, and the valve sensors will be connected once they are received. The pilot will not be considered active until all sensors have been installed and active for three weeks. However, we are receiving data from the hydrant sensors, which have reported back leak locations.

Tom Ferrell from Pace Engineering stated that Pace is still working on the three CIP projects and gave a brief update on the Davis Spring project. In addition, Pace is continuing to go through some data for the new water master plan.

The Board meeting was adjourned at 3:25pm by unanimous consent.

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Mike McCafferty      President

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Eric Cederstam      Secretary