

COLTON WATER DISTRICT  
MEETING OF THE BOARD  
OCTOBER 17, 2023

\*The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

\*Board Members: Vice President Colin Wait, Carl Stephens, Alan Gross and Teresa Bricker.

\*Others present: Pete Dostert and Betty Hodges.

There was discussion regarding pricing of upgrading a service meter to a 1 inch and the systems development fee, and that an investigation will be done to find out what it should be.

Carl Stephens made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 19<sup>th</sup> board meeting, Teresa Bricker seconded with corrections and the motion carried by unanimous vote.

\***Financial report:** Betty Hodges explained that the checks that the board saw and questioned the month before that were not on the statement was because they were paid ahead for the next month while she would be on vacation and are on September's financials.

Carl Stephens made a motion to accept the financial report for September. Alan Gross seconded and the motion carried unanimous.

Carl Stephens made a motion to pay The Dyer Partnership \$267 for the hours billed from 8/27 to 9/26 building review with BLMK consulting engineers.

\***Superintendent's Report:** Pete Dostert reported that hydrant repair has been completed. The cost was \$8,845. Betty told the board that she has sent an invoice to Farmers Insurance to cover this cost plus Pete's hours in the amount of \$9235 along with necessary pictures.

Carl Stephens made a motion to pay GT Excavation for the hydrant repair in the amount of \$8,845. Alan Gross seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimous.

\***Old Business:**

Water/Fire Infrastructure project: Discussion continued about whether we should have Kristi More from The Ferguson Group write grants for us or not. Colin suggested that we have a one-stop meeting in February. Alan Gross will contact them and will report back at the November board meeting.

Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan (NHMP): Teresa Bricker reached out to Clackamas county GIS for a map. They will be working with us on updating a map and also provide us with a large wall map for the office for \$187 when it is finished.

On October 12<sup>th</sup> Teresa attended the Clackamas County hazard mitigation advisory committee. The Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries presented their research on the buildings in Clackamas county composites and critical infrastructures. Unfortunately, Colton was not included in the research. Jay Wilson said he would like to look at Colton regarding the Cascadia Molalla fault, wildfires, eruptions, landslides and floods to give us some more information.

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Teresa still has a couple more meetings with Jay Wilson and Mike Howard on the October 30th to go over more details, hoping to get this plan done by the deadline.

Water Rights – Bob Long: Bob Long from CmW-H2O will be coming out on October 25<sup>th</sup> to finalize the details for the water rights certification.

Systems Development fee: Teresa has been in contact with Mark Atkinson and will be meeting with him on October 31<sup>st</sup>.

Colin Wait said that Ken Carroll is still wanting reassurance that we are covered by FDIC, and is asking for something from Umpqua bank in writing guaranteeing that Colton Water Districts money is protected.

**\*New Business:** Discussion was had regarding Jan Kaforski's retirement party. Needs to be on an open house on a Saturday afternoon. We will present her with a \$500 visa gift card from the Water District. Betty will schedule a date with her next week, and finish the arrangements. The Colton Fire District will also be involved and helping out.

Betty Hodges informed the board that the Colton Water District website is not currently ADA compliant and needs to eventually be addressed and or updated.

Also, rate increases are usually starting to be discussed this month or next month. Colin Wait said to put it on the agenda for November along with the systems development fee for discussion.

Colin Wait mentioned that there is too much money building up in the general account and needs to have more transferred to the construction account. It should stay around \$35,000-\$45,000 depending on what is going on.

**\*Added Agenda:** None

\*The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.