

Ledgewood Beach Water District Monthly Minutes

Meeting date: June 24, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 5:00PM at the Newell Firehouse, 1903 Pinecrest Ave.

Commissioners present: Wil Shellenberger, Ralph Young, Chad Gladhart
Public attending: Don Pinter

Minutes from meetings of May, 2015 were reviewed and approved by unanimous vote.

Financial reports and monthly expenses were reviewed, invoices 2730 through 2735 for a total expenditure of \$1031.51 were presented and approved by all commissioners.

There were five delinquent accounts reported. Customer Chris Madison has been notified by phone, email and certified letter that lack of payment would result in water shut-off at 1861 Cedarcrest. This action is due on July 8, 2015 unless payment is received by that date.

WUE 2014: Water Use Efficiency report has been filed with the Washington Department of Health. Distribution summary: 4,886,723 gallons produced, 4,604,156 gallons consumed, 282,567 gallons or 5.8% system leakage. Three year average water loss 12.3%

Sanitary survey planning deadline has been set as September 30, 2015. This subject will be included in future meeting agendas.

Rate increase planning and options: The value of the district water system is estimated to be near \$1,566,000. Connections, valves, pumps and water lines with a remaining usable life of less than 10 years represents a value approximately \$800,000. In the past, the district has saved approximately \$9,000 annually to be applied to the reserve account to pay for replacements and upgrades. A rate increase may be necessary to (1) improve the annual reserve savings rate, (2) avoid large or unscheduled assessments to our water customers, (3) improve our balance sheet to allow for favorable financing if a large scale failure or disaster should occur and (4) continue to provide high quality and plentiful water to our community. A meeting has been announced for July 15, 2015, 7:00PM at the Firehouse to receive public comments on a proposed base rate increase.

The neighborhoods of Sunlight Beach/Sun Vista have recently changed their billing structure. Their plans were reviewed and discussed as a comparison to our district.

Water metering report: Meters have been read for the period April 15, 2015 through June 15, 2015 billing period. The Pinecrest well has been back in production for this period, net production after treatment and meter error adjustments was 552,562.56 gallons. The Ridgecrest and Fircrest wells pumped 273,184.56 and 93,350.4 gallons respectively. Net production; 917,407.14 gallons for this billing period. Total water sales equal 795,151 gallons or 13.326% less than produced. No irregularities were apparent in reviewing water use, Peter Wolff reported noticeable ground water near the meter at the residence of Jason Stewart, 1773 Ridgecrest. The site was inspected and Mr. Stewart was notified of the potential problem.

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM

Chadwick Gladhart, Secretary

