

Newsletter

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Minutes from July 18, 2018 ~ CCCSD Board Meeting

Directors In Attendance: Johanna Trenerry, Virginia Bassham, Doug Evans and Mark Engel

Staff In Attendance: Kurt Born, Rick Cascarina, James Paul, Roxanna Sanford, Christy Roberts, Roberto Chacon, Toby Ladewig and James Grissom

Audience: Sheila Barnes

Consent Agenda: A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of May 16, 2018, (with corrections) May 2018 Financial Statements and paid bills from 5/25/18-7/10/18. Motion voted on and unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Creek Incident ~ Staff Response: Chairwoman Trenerry stated that she had asked the District Manager to make a Certificate of Appreciation for the employees' of Clear Creek CSD. Chairwoman Trenerry read the Certificate out loud. The BOD stated that all employees' involved did a great job.

Creek Incident ~ Ordinance 2018-18: Chairwoman Trenerry stated that this Ordinance was for the people who lost their homes in the Creek Fire. The Manager stated that these customer's will be billed \$1.00 for the next six months to hopefully give them time to decide if they are going to sell or rebuild and the CCCSD employees' are, as time allows, willing to assist with clean up for the people who did not have any insurance. Directors' Engel and Bassham asked what where the limits on the District help to clean up? The Manager stated that all work will be done during working hours, no overtime. Chairwoman Trenerry asked the BOD if they could include the fire that took place on June 23, 2018, in which Doug Evans lost everything? Everyone agreed to include that fire as well. The Manager advised he would make these changes to the Ordinance. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to pass Ordinance 2018-18.

Legislation for Permanent Water Conservation: Director Bassham questioned the Manager as to why he didn't feel this applied to CCCSD? The Manager stated that this was being mandated by the State and we are governed by the Federal Government. Director Bassham asked if our legal counsel was aware of this? The Manager stated no but he will discuss it with her after doing more research on the subject.

Renewable Energy ~ PG&E Energy Savings: The Manager stated that he has been in contact with Sun Works Solar and has requested updated information that includes product improvements, costs, the ARC Program, financial incentives and financial aid programs that they may be aware of. The reason for choosing to contact this firm was because of their continued good reputation, product warranty and lowest cost among what was considered to be the best three firms. He further stated that he had also re-examined our current electrical rate plans with PG&E and tools they have on their website and found that if we switched rate plans on the reservoir tank locations, the south booster station and the well stations, we will be potentially saving of \$7,186.00 annually.

On-Line Bill Pay Option: The Manager advised the BOD that this is now a live function on our website and we have been receiving payments on it for a couple of weeks. Director Bassham asked how much this was costing the District. The Manager advised it was not costing the District anything but the customer will incur a \$3.95 charge (at time of payment) for every payment processed on the website. Director Bassham asked how it worked. Roxanna and the Manager explained how it works to the BOD. Director Engel asked if the customer's can now receive their bill through email? The Manager advised him yes, we are now capable of e-bill.

Five Year Water Management Plan Due: The Manager advised that Christy and Cary will be working closely with the Assistant Manager and himself on this. Cary will also be taking on the roll of Human Resources. Director Bassham asked if she could talk to Cary about the training program? The Manager stated, that would be no problem at all.

Sandy & Don Winters ~ Filter Plant Tour: The Manager stated that after Sandy and Don went on the tour of the Filter Plant, Sandy advised him that she has a new outlook on the District. Roxanna stated that Cary had a great idea of doing a video of the Filter Plant and putting it on our website. The Manager stated that would be good but wouldn't allow for any questions/answers the customer's may have. Sheila Barnes asked where the Filter Plant is located and the Manager advised her it is at the base of Whiskeytown Dam.

California Urban Water Conservation Council: The Manager stated that this report is an annual requirement. He further advised that after completing the annual CUWCC report on line, with much frustration, he contacted the USBR to register a complaint in regards to the frustrations. The USBR has decided to take the Urban Reporting back from CUWCC and will be developing their own method for reporting. The USBR has requested the CCCSD Manager be a part of designing the new method of reporting, as Mr. Born's input over the years has not gone un-noticed by the USBR and the they feel as though Mr. Born would be an asset in the development of the new and improved reporting process. Mr. Born advised the USBR, he would be glad to assist.

Backwash Recycle Project: The Manager advised the BOD, this is something they all need to see. We are so close to being finished. The Super-intendent advised that there are only a couple of little things left to do and the project is complete. The Manager stated that review of the entire contract from the SWRCB needs to be done to ensure compliance with all contract terms displayed. There have not been any issues to date but complete review of it is critical for a project of this nature.

OPERATIONS & ADMINISTRATION:

Staff Reports: The Assistant Manager stated that to date we used 1,164 acre feet of the 1,276 acre feet that was scheduled. The crew has started the Taffey Lane project and are about half way done. Jim, Audie and Roberto volunteered time to assist in putting up the new scoreboard for the Happy Valley Little League. Toby passed his T3 water treatment exam. We had four service leaks and one main leak this last month. Our crew has been recognized in appreciation by some customers that needed assistance with piping concerns. On June 19, 2018, the CCCSD Staff attended funeral services for our former fellow Employee Ronald Carlin out at the Veteran's Cemetery. We miss him dearly!

GREEN RATE IS BACK

Happy Planting!

If you plant large gardens and typically use over 109 usage during the summer months, come down to the office and apply for the Green Rate! It lowers the water rate after the use of 109. Not sure of the amount of water you normally use, call the office and we will let you know if the Green Rate will be beneficial to you or not!!!



The 2018 CCR is on the Clear Creek CSD website. You can visit the website @ www.clearcreekcsd.org

** ON-LINE BILL PAY & ACCOUNT ACCESS **

Clear Creek CSD's *NEW* website is up and running with the addition of allowing the customer to view their account while on-line. This is a free service provided to our customer base. This new addition to services will allow our customers to view your account summary, your amount due, usage history, water consumption history graph, view your bill (and print if wanted) and have the ability to pay your bill on-line by clicking on the "Pay Now" button. If you choose to pay on-line the company completing the transaction (ACI) will charge you \$3.95 per transaction. This fee is NOT a fee that the District generates nor do we collect it. It goes directly to ACI for services rendered by their system.

To use this free account information service, you will need your book and account number in addition to your new pin number. That pin number is the last four digits of your phone number if we have that number on file at the office. If you do not have a phone number listed with the district please call for your assigned pin number. Other <u>options</u> include receipt of your monthly bill via your email service.

The new services and bill pay options are 100% OPTIONAL to our customers. If you decide NOT to use this service you will still be billed as you always have with NO CHANGES. If you don't like the \$3.95 per transaction fee then do not use it. It is your OPTION to use it when and if you deem necessary. This is only being provided as a means of convenience and not a requirement for bill paying.

BEWARE OF RATTLESNAKES!!

They are out and about and everywhere in abundance this year. Please be on the constant lookout for them and make your children aware of what they sound and look like and to stay away from them and come tell an adult if they see or hear one. Better safe then sorry!

NO WATER RESTRICTIONS!!

We have full water allocation from the USBR this year, use all the water you need and can afford to use, but use it wisely!!!



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Water Usage In Acre Feet March 1,2018 to February 28, 2019

Month	Previous Year	Current Year	+/-
March	71.3	101.9	+30.6
April	87.0	142.98	+55.98
May	350.2	324.7	-25.5
June	522.8	594.8	+72.0
YTD	1,031.3	1,164.4	+133.08

Figures reflect Meter readings at Whiskeytown Dam, less the water diverted to Centerville CSD.

Weather Observations June 2018

Rainfall Totals	2016	2017	2018
MTD	.78"	.23"	.0"
YTD	29.07"	25.82"	13.56"

Monthly High & Low Temperatures

High	107	Low	54
Avg. High	95	Avg. Low	64

"Water Wisely Tips"

Check all faucets, pipes and toilets for leaks and fix them A.S.A.P!

REMINDER

Clear Creek C.S.D. would like to remind customers to please call the District Office any time water service needs to be turned off or on inside the meter box. This will ensure that District valves will only be operated by District employees, thus protecting the customer from charges incurred if valves are broken or meters are damaged. A field staff member is oncall during the weekends and in the evenings.

Please call 357-2121.

***CIMIS ***

The California Irrigation Management Information System (CIMIS) is a program unit in the Water Use and Efficiency Branch, Division of Statewide Integrated Water Management, California Department of Water Resources (DWR) that manages a network of over 145 automated weather stations in California. CIMIS was developed in 1982 by DWR and the University of California, Davis (UC Davis). It was designed to assist irrigators in managing their water resources more efficiently. Efficient use of water resources benefits Californians by saving water, energy, and money. Visit the website @ www.cimis.water.ca.gov