

CSA7 Customer Advisory Committee
December 3, 2022, 53rd Meeting
By videoconference

Meeting called to order at 11:04 am

Attendees:

Committee: Cyrus Yocum, Eric Black, Eva Knodt, Heather McAvoy, Joanne Lehner,
Patricia O'Neal, Terry Adams,
Supervisor Horsley's Office: Lena Silberman
Public: Lynnette Vega, Kim Borick

Announcements:

Please announce your departure if you leave the meeting before adjournment.
The State Route 84 Storm Damage Permanent Restoration Project is aware of our main.

1) September quarterly meeting minutes

Minutes were reviewed. Joanne moved to approve; Heather seconded. All in favor.

2) July, August, September, October budgets, first quarter capital improvement expense report, county funded capital expense report

- a. Budgets were reviewed. Patricia reported Mark advised account 5516 is typically for equipment that Bracewell cannot provide as part of their scope of work, such as a generator due to emergency situations. Mark also advised account 5631 is for electricity to power the raw water intake and treatment plant operations. Heather questioned why category 5861, Engineering Services, was cut in half and speculated that this was a way to keep the budget balanced. Patricia previously asked Alan if we could get any help with expenses related to the November main break, and was told the State had been notified by Mark. Eva asks if the County has applied for everything possible.
- b. Capital Improvement Expense Report was reviewed and there are no changes.
- c. County Funded Capital Expense Report shows that there have been additional costs for the sand media and flocculation chamber recoating. Preparations are being made to do this work in January if approved.

3) Capital improvements, improvement schedule, compliance

- a. Drilling has started on the additional source of raw water with a "worst case" estimate of three weeks to complete with hopes for a good flow of potable water uncontaminated with brine.
- b. Eva requested estimated completion dates, and percent of completion, of the capital improvements. Terry asked for further detail of the 60K toward the

Northern Distribution System. If getting such estimates is going to cost us money, both defer these questions.

4) Water Outages

- a. Patricia thanked all who volunteered their time during this prolonged outage, especially Eric, Dante, Heather, and Joanne,
- b. Patricia noted that in the process of trying to find the leak an unauthorized diversion was uncovered. Alan is going to pursue this. The committee is concerned to know the outcome. Not only is this theft, but it may have contributed in unknown degrees to low water pressure events for many customers over many years. It was noted that this shows the importance of water audits.
- c. Eva brought up an issue about an unauthorized posting about the water outage on the Cuesta news group which caused some confusion and wonders if we can control this.
- d. Eva also asks if the length of an outage determines the response, what obligations CSA7 has in an outage, and if the notification liability of the operator extends beyond the metered customer (granny units, trailer park sub-meters).

5) Election of officers

- a. Chair: Heather nominated Patricia; Joanne seconded. All in favor.
- b. Vice Chair: Patricia nominated Heather; Joanne seconded. All in favor.
- c. Secretary: Joanne nominated Cyrus; Heather seconded. All in favor.
- d. Backup Secretary: Patricia nominated Joanne; Heather seconded. All in favor.

6) Public Comment

Lynnette Vega wonders if Ray Mueller might like to come to a meeting.

7) Adjournment

Eric moved to adjourn the meeting; Joanne seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 1:04 pm.

Minutes by Cyrus Yocum