



Wallula Water District Monthly Water Meeting Minutes

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| Date: | July 8, 2024 |
| Time: | 7:30 pm |
| Location: | 234 Columbia Way |

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Mike Pringle.

Attendees

Voting members in attendance:

Mike Pringle
Barbara Johnson
Dee Glessner

Guests in attendance:

Soni Bryant (via Zoom)
Chuck Glessner

Approval of Previous Month's Minutes

June minutes were read and approved, with a motion by Barbara and second by Dee. Unanimous vote. Motion passed.

Board Member and Staff Reports

Chairman:

- Baisch Vegetation will be here at 9:00 am tomorrow, July 9, to do weed maintenance inside the water district fence. Dee will meet them to open the gate.
- Mike replaced the chlorinator pump injection quill. Dennis and Mike will now be able to adjust chlorine levels more specifically.

Commissioner Dee:

- Dee reported on July bills



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Secretary/Treasurer:

- Four residents on watchlist
- Two residents subject to disconnect
- Guide Insurance information for renewal has been submitted

Water Operator: Not in attendance

Old Business

1. Agenda Item 4A: Water Shut-off Policy

- a. Soni read the official water shut-off policy from 2021.
- b. The board discussed the meter reading schedule and decided to read the meters around the 25th of the month so the bills will be mailed earlier.
- c. Once a disconnect notice is issued, the customer will have two business days (not Saturday, Sunday, or federally recognized holidays) to pay all money owed before disconnect is carried through. This will be added to the existing disconnect policy to be approved next month.

2. Agenda Item 4B: Budget

- a. Commissioners are still waiting on AllStar for an annual general maintenance cost quote to continue building the budget.
- b. Mike suggested getting a few bids for the recirculation value since it is a large-cost maintenance.

3. Agenda Item 4C: Rate Increase

- a. The board discussed the rate increase proposed at the June meeting. Barb read a notice of rate raise draft for commissioners to review.
- b. The board discussed how to present budget numbers to residents.
- c. The board discussed the possibility of lowering gallons of use for the base fee and letting residents who use more water pay for overages to offset costs. Mike suggested this be the next change in rates since the current raise in rates will still not be sufficient to cover rising operational costs.
- d. Barb will be sending out rate raise notices in the next few weeks, with rate raise effective September 1, 2024.

New Business

Mike suggested a policy for charging for residents who do not allow access to meters.



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| June Treasurer Report (beginning balance) | 98947.56 |
| June Water Sales (funds in) | 1918.73 |
| Expenses for June (funds out) | -9213.71 |
| CD investment earnings | |
| Bank balance end of June | 91652.58 |

The following voucher/warrants are approved for payment:

| Funds | |
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| Voucher Warrant | Total: |
| Voucher numbers: 1a through 7a | \$2033.98 |
| Payroll Warrant | Total: |
| Voucher numbers: 3b, 4b, 6b, 7b | \$91.99 |
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*Minutes recorded and transcribed by Soni Bryant