

SPALDING COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
October 20, 2023

APPROVED BY DIRECTORS:

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*L. A. Doss*  
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*Ed Lawson*  
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1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Mike Arnold called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm

<u>Roll Call</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Mike Arnold	<u>X</u>	_____
Randy Aubrey	_____	<u>X</u>
Larry Doss	<u>X</u>	_____
Ed Lawson	<u>X</u>	_____
Ted Thomas	_____	<u>X</u>

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was spoken

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion: Approve the Agenda

First: Mike Arnold moved to approve the agenda as amended

Second: Ed Lawson second

Roll Call: Yes: Mike Arnold, Larry Doss, Ed Lawson

Not present: Randy Aubrey, Ted Thomas

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: Approve the minutes from September 15, 2023 Special Board of Directors meeting (Public Hearing).

First: Mike Arnold moved to approve the minutes

Second: Ed Lawson second

Roll Call: Yes: Mike Arnold, Larry Doss, Ed Lawson, Randy Aubrey

Not Present: Ted Thomas

Motion: Approve the minutes from September 15, 2023 Board of Directors meeting.

First: Mike Arnold moved to approve the minutes

Second: Ted Thomas second

Roll Call: Yes: Mike Arnold, Larry Doss, Ed Lawson, Randy Aubrey, Ted Thomas

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Mick Hill suggests the community form a volunteer only committee to help with some of the sewer issues. Mick also stated that the district sewers lines are substandard and need to be jetted.

B. Mike Arnold thought participation by the community was a good thing and would like to see a committee put together to review the sewer system but needs to look at possible liability issues first.

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C. Kari Graton suggested that the general manager needed to make a staff report on each action item

7. FIRE CHIEF REPORT TO BOARD

A. Fire Chief Cliff Spediacci reported there were 10 medical calls in September. Fire chief also reported that he was getting a dumpster for the overhanging tree limbs they have previously cut down. He will continue cutting down tree limbs that hang over the road sometimes in March or April.

B. Mick Hill stated he could bring his chipper down if needed.

C. Cliff also reported he wanted to sell the 1987 International fire truck. There was further discussion.

D. Mike Arnold discussed the possibility of a Cal Fire grant that would allow homeowners to get rid of excess wood on their property.

8. GENERAL MANAGER REPORT TO BOARD

A. Marlane Morse provided an update on the district taking back the accounting from Lasson County. There was further discussion.

B. Marlane Morse announced that the district CPA (Susan Brown) had retired, and she was in the process of hiring a new CPA (Andrea Drew).

C. Barbara Willard had questions regarding the complexity of the finances. Marlane Morse explained that 3 months worth of finances was done in one day.

9. SEWER DEPARTMENT REPORT

A. David Handy brought in a guest speaker, Dan LaFontaine from Cal Rural Water Association to talk about the pitless and pump system and the issues that are happening with the system.

B. Dan LaFontaine gave some background on Cal Rural Water Association, and its willingness to help the District.

C. Dan LaFontain suggested that the district look into having a Geo Tech investigation done and explained there could possibly be grants for that.

D. Kari Graton talked about changing the ordinance and looking into adding a lock out valve to the residents who aren't paying their sewer bills

E. Kari Graton recommended that the GM should have a written plan of action, and to document that the district is working on the problems with the sewer system and add that into her reports.

F. GM Marlane Morse talked about replacing the current Scada system with a radio system that's much simpler to manage and less complicated. Further information to followed.

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10. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS / BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

- A. Larry Doss talked about having two Board meetings a month.
- B. Mike Arnold talked about the importance of fixing and simplifying the sewer system we have.

11. NEW BUSINESS

Dan LaFontaine spoke during the sewer report. He spoke about the importance of getting the sewer in working order, he explained the problem with “the pitless” and how it should work. He also explained about bringing pumps up to fix from the outside as a work around to the current pitless problem. He and SUSP Engineering are looking for grants for the District. It was mentioned that there will be some need for front money to obtain certain grants.

12. CONTINUING BUSINESS

- A. Marlane Morse did the first reading Ordinance #4, Article 5.05.030

13. ADJOURN

- Motion: Motion to adjourn
- First: Larry Doss moved to adjourn
- Second: Ed Lawson second
- Roll Call: Yes: Mike Arnold, Larry Doss, Ed Lawson  
Not present: Randy Aubrey, Ted Thomas

The meeting was adjourned at 5:14 pm.