

SPALDING COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
 REGULAR BOARD MEETING
 OCTOBER 21, 2022

APPROVED BY DIRECTORS:

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Mike Arnold called the meeting to order at 3:02 pm

Roll Call	Present	Not Present
Mike Arnold	X	_____
Ted Thomas	_____	X
Larry Doss	X	_____
Ed Lawson	X	_____
Ronald LoBue	_____	X

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was spoken.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comments.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Approve the agenda for October 21, 2022

First: Larry Doss moved to approve the agenda

Second: Ed Lawson

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

Absent: Ronald LoBue, Ted Thomas

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: Approve the minutes from September 16, 2022 Board of Directors meeting

First: Ed Lawson moved to approve the agenda

Second: Mike Arnold

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

Absent: Ted Thomas, Ronald LoBue

5. FIRE CHIEF REPORT TO BOARD

Chief Spediacci spoke regarding dispatching of the fire department outside the regional area of Spalding. He explained that there is an agreement in place to respond to these calls if they are needed (there are no other services available at that time to respond) because many times, SFD is closer to the call than respondents in Susanville. This service has been in place for years – and it is an approved written agreement between dispatch and responding services in the region.

Chief Spediacci noted that there has been a very good response to the Neighborhood Watch sale of property signs – which is a benefit to both the Fire Department and the property owners. He also mentioned how the Fire Department responded to structure fires – which would entail not necessarily the saving of the structure, but more importantly the saving of lives in or around the building. He reiterated a number of times that the focus is safety and life – not saving property. He continued to explain how the equipment in the Fire Station was more than suitable for structure fires, and the amount of water available to the firefighters from the water tenders in the station. He ended by inviting the public to come visit the Fire Station and ask questions.

6. GENERAL MANAGER REPORT TO BOARD

- A. September, 2022 Financial Report – there were no comments
- B. Employee Recruitment – Operations Technician – Marly introduced David Handy, the new Operations Technician for the Sewer Department. She explained what this position would cover, but that his primary responsibilities would be the sewer system. His starting date would be Tuesday, October 25, 2022.
- C. Computer System Update – Marly provided an update on the restructuring of the computer system to a more compact network. Spalding now has the capacity to work from remote locations more easily as the data is being held “in the cloud” and we no longer have to log in to a remote server. The SCADA computer located in the Sewer building was moved into its own office in the Spalding Building, bringing all technology within one building.
- D. Notice of Exemption Received – The Board was informed that Spalding’s request to be exempt from the requirement to have a Class 1 Sewer Operator on staff was approved by the CA Water Resources Control Board for a four-year period.

7. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS/COMMENTS

- A. Larry Doss mentioned that he planned to excavate the marina’s boat launch in the upcoming week. He provided the approximate cost, and explained that the State Land Commission said our lease included the ability to maintain the removal of silt from the marina. He also mentioned that the Water Board approved of the maintenance as long as not water was being touched.

There were some public comments regarding this project. It was mentioned that there were at least two, possibly three, permits that needed to be received from other governmental agencies prior to work being done. There was some continuing discussion. Staff would review.

- B. Ed Lawson noted that there were 6 days this year where the public could remove green waste to the dump for free. He was hoping to extend that number of days for the upcoming year, and explained what a benefit it was to the community.
- C. The Regional Chief for CalFire provided some updates on how they are approaching the drought and fire seasons, what their current staffing levels were, and how burn permits would be assigned. He emphasized that the fire danger continued to be very high.

8. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business

9. CONTINUING BUSINESS

- A. 2022 SCSD Sewer Rate Study (NorthStar).

10. ADJOURN

Motion: Motion to Adjourn

First: Larry Doss moved to adjourn

Second: Mike Arnold

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

Absent: Ronald LoBue, Ted Thomas

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm.