

Regular Board Meeting Minutes February 13, 2025

A. Administration: (Board members only)

1. Open

Len Friedlund, Vice Chairman, called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm in the absence of the Chair.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Len Friedlund called roll. Mark Giebelhaus, Dick Drinen, Barb Sherman, Joe Hedgecock and Len Friedlund were all present. Kass Kral was not present.

Kass Kral arrived at 3:14 pm.

4. Administrative Information

Staff spoke about the webinar held regarding cyber security and protecting the plant from cyber-attacks.

Staff also presented that David Richardson (DR) was nominated for an award by Moonshot Missions.

5. Approval of the Board Minutes for January 9, 2025

Mark Giebelhaus moved to approve the minutes for the January 9, 2025 Board Meeting. Barb Sherman seconded. Mark Giebelhaus, Barb Sherman, Joe Hedgecock, Dick Drinen and Len Friedlund voted in favor.

No nay votes

6. Correspondence

Staff presented a member of the community who reached out and offered his services and billing program. Due to County policy, we are unable to move forward with this inquiry.

7. January 2024 Budget Review

Barb Sherman presented that we are still on track with budget. The FY 25-26 budget will be impacted by the plant improvements along with the wet well work that needs to be done.

8. Operations Report: Plant Operations- David Richardson / Collections- Josh Palmer

DR explained the new equipment that was installed in the chlorine building and how it has been saving PSD money by not having to order chemicals so often. Staff have been working to get APS to inspect the VFDs that have been installed and get the engineering work done. DR states he would like to install 4 new blowers in FY 25-26. These blowers will be more accessible for PSD field staff to work on and save money compared to repairs of the existing blowers.

DR states the old camera van will not be repaired due to the cost of work that needs to be done.

The Vactor truck had to be put into the shop for maintenance.

DR explained that there will be a Vac Truck demonstration at the plant for a smaller Vac Truck. This will enable easier access for use or in case the larger one goes down. DR and field crew did work on the wet well installing new pieces because old parts have begun to start deteriorating.

Kass Kral took over the gavel as Chair at this point.

B. Unfinished Business:

9. Discussion and update regarding Ardurra project summary

Kass Kral explained that Ardurra is going to be giving more frequent updates and the biddings on Lake Odell Lift Station will be starting shortly.

Barb Sherman states she is glad PSD received a written summary of the work being done and she hopes that there can be a progress report given monthly of the work being done.

C. New Business

10. Discussion and update regarding roof repair

DR states that there will be roof repair due to the high winds ripping the shingles off the roof.

11. Discussion and update on Vactor truck status

Vactor truck was put in the shop for maintenance. DR stated that he found a company that rents out Vac trucks so that there is a backup plan in case the Vac truck goes down again. The second option would be just getting a Jetter truck which would still allow PSD to take care of plugs and backups.

12. Discussion and update regarding meeting with AZ Water

AZ Water will possibly be holding a presentation where everyone can share their ideas once the park gets full again.

PSD will be working with AZ Water to potentially receive a grant towards upgrading the reuse water station.

13. Discussion and possible action regarding Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) between Pinewood Fire Department and Pinewood Sanitary District

The chief of Pinewood Fire Department (PFD), Josh Tope, provided DR with an expired MOU agreement from 2006 between PSD and PFD stating that PSD would receive training services along with PFD receiving reduced rate billing. The discussion was whether a new MOU could be negotiated.

Kass Kral recommends putting together a list of wants with PFD. He suggests trying to set up a meeting with Josh Tope to go over a re-draft of the initial MOU.

Call to the public for non-agenda items. No action will be taken on any subject not on the agenda.

(Limits to 5 minutes will be enforced)

Open call to the public

Joe Esposito asked for information on the reuse water and offers information on where to store field equipment. Kass Kral advises him to speak with staff and share ideas after the meeting.

Len Friedlund explained to the Board that APS has been doing work on his property and the work being performed is very close to a lift station. He was wondering if there have been any updates on damages of any kind. Kass Kral stated to add this as an agenda item in the spring and to possibly add visual inspections of APS work in the field crews walk-throughs.

Kass Kral closed the call to the public.

D. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 4:02pm