

PORT COSTA SANITARY COMMISSION

of the Crockett Community Services District

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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING, JANUARY 6, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:09 PM by Vice-Chairperson Cusack. Present were Commissioners List and Scheer, along with Dept. Manager Barnhill, District Engineer Murdock and Assistant District Secretary Witschi. Also present was Director Barassi. Commissioner Surges arrived later and Commissioner Klabier was absent.
2. AGENDA ORDER: There were no requests to hear agenda items out of order.
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS: Director Barassi said he was recently elected President of the District Board and will be attending the Port Costa Sanitary Commission meetings monthly. He will be available if any issues come up and Director Peterson will take the lead role on the budgets.
4. PUBLIC HEARING: None
- 5.a. SELF-MONITORING REPORTS: Mr. Barnhill reported no exceedances or spills for October or November 2020.
- 5.b. DISTRICT BOARD ACTIONS: Director Barassi reported the Board approved the asbestos abatement for the new District office and work is expected to begin next week. Commissioner List asked what the state mandate for removal of asbestos is. Director Barassi said anything above 1% if disturbed is dangerous. Commissioner Scheer said you will need to post a notice if there is asbestos in the building.
- 5.c. STATUS REPORT AND ACTION PLAN: Director Barassi said item 1 has been completed on the Action Plan. Mr. Barnhill reported plants and roots are causing major damage to the treatment plant. A motion to recommend approval of the Action Plan for 2021 carried unanimously (tc/tl).
6. FINANCIAL REPORT: The monthly statement of Department finances was examined by the Commission. No further comments.
7. SMOKE TESTING RESULTS: Mr. Barnhill reported he received the smoke testing report and he said there will be some properties receiving notices. The results from smoke testing show some problems with main sewer lines and some private laterals throughout town. He is looking for direction when to send out letters to owners. He will email the commissioners the smoke testing results. Commissioner Cusack said he has concerns about the cost to fix these problems during COVID. Mr. Barnhill said he has been sitting on this for a while since the conditions found have existed and workload limits availability to deal with follow-up. Commissioner Surges said he thinks staff should wait until Spring/Summer to send notices out to owners. This item will be brought back in February to discuss further.
- 8.a. STAFF REPORT ON OPERATIONS: Mr. Barnhill reported Telstar responded to the Treatment Plant. He said the Programmable Logic Controller had an issue which caused the water system 3 pump to fail.

8.b. STAFF REPORT ON GOVERNMENTAL MATTERS: None

8.c. STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

9. REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS: None

10. CONSENT CALENDAR: The consent item was approved unanimously (js/as):

a. Approve Minutes of November 4, 2020.

11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Discuss smoke testing results.

Discuss Port Costa school sewer system.

12. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: None

13. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM until February 10, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

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