

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CRESTLINE
VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT**

August 18, 2026

CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE: President Steve Farrell called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Crestline Village Water District to order at 3:01 pm, on Tuesday, July 21, 2026.

ROLL CALL: Present were President Steve Farrell, Directors Ken Stone, Leslie Brister, William Barrera, and Cory Hubbell.

Staff members present were General Manager Thomas Weddle, Operations Manager Dave Sale, Office Lead Dawn Renick, and District Counsel Ronald Van Blarcom.

Public in Attendance: Sherri Fairbanks from Crestline Sanitation and Robert Block

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

The Board reviewed the minutes of the July 2026 Regular Board Meeting. On a motion by Director Hubbell, and second by Director Barrera, the minutes for the July 21, 2026, meeting were approved and with the following vote:

AYES: Directors Brister, Barrera, Hubbell, Stone, and Farrell.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None.

CASH DISBURSEMENTS:

There was general discussion about the cash disbursements. On a motion by Director Hubbell, and seconded by Director Berrera, the cash disbursements for July 2026 were approved with the following vote:

AYES: Directors Brister, Barrera, Hubbell, Stone, and Farrell.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

MONTHLY FINANCIALS:

The Board reviewed and discussed the monthly financials for July 2026.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Landowner Robert Blah introduced himself and expressed that he might be interested in serving on the Crestline Village Water District Board.

REGULAR SESSION:

BIENNIAL REVIEW OF THE DISTRICT'S CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE: District Counsel Van Blarcom informed the Board that no changes needed to be made in the policy. On a motion by Director Stone, and seconded by Director Hubbell, the unmodified Conflict-of-Interest Code was approved with the following vote:

AYES: Directors Brister, Barrera, Hubbell, Stone, and Farrell.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

RATE STUDY DISCUSSIONS:

The Board discussed the rate study with a new approach. Manager Weddle created a rate increase that was 20% to both the service availability fee along with the cost of water. After some discussion, Director Stone suggested that the District look at alternative increases that would be less impactful to the residents in year one. Manager Weddle said he would rework the numbers for the September board Meeting. Legal Counsel Van Blarcom felt that he could work with Manager Weddle to repurpose the existing Rate Study to represent a new scenario.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 518 TO REPLACE RESOLUTION 515:

On a motion by Director Stone, and seconded by Director Hubbell, the Board adopted Resolution 518 to replace Resolution 515 with the following vote:

AYES: Directors Brister, Barrera, Hubbell, Stone, and Farrell.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

MANAGER'S REPORT.

Field Manager – Field Manager Sale reported that the District Electrician was able to find a California compliant Generac generator. The price is \$19,796.91. 500 Gallon propane tank \$3,348, delivery \$200 and set for \$489. Total of \$23,833.91. The budget for this project was \$30,000.

We have received a citation from the state for not taking a nitrate sample at Felsen well in 2025. We are currently contesting it. We believe when the well was down for repairs the state had a miscommunication with us and put the well on “standby”. We think this

caused the Drinking Water Watch Portal to not update the samples due on this site. We are asking for forgiveness due to communication errors from both parties.

Electra well update, the state is re-evaluating the numbers that they gave us as a safe limit that can be run through the filters, and we are waiting to hear back.

Rate Study - After revisiting the methodology and the Board's discussion, it seemed most reasonable to simplify the Rate Study process for two primary reasons: first, to make the methodology easier to understand, and second, to ensure that it is reasonable and defensible. After determining the District's anticipated financial needs moving forward, it was determined that a 20% increase in both current connection costs and sales revenue was necessary. For this reason, it made the most sense to increase both the service availability fee cost and sales revenue by 20%. It was also determined that maintaining the current second-tier threshold at 1,300 cubic feet would make the proposed changes less complicated and, consequently, easier for the public to understand. As shown on the spreadsheet, an average bill for a customer using 500 cubic feet will increase by \$12.20. For a customer using 800 cubic feet, the increase will be \$15.26, while a customer using 1,100 cubic feet will see an increase of \$18.32. These increases represent 20% over the respective previous bills. The same general increase applies to usage above 1,300 cubic feet.

Grant Respective Entity - We have reached out to the County regarding them assuming the role of Respective entity for the HUD grant that we received through Obernolte's office last fiscal year.

Office Manager – Office Manager Josselyn Quine has made the decision to pursue a different professional path, and August 13th was her final day with the District. Dawn Renick will assume the interim role and take on the duties previously managed by Josselyn Quine.

MONTHLY WATER PRODUCTION REPORTS:

Manager Weddle gave the monthly Water Report.

DIRECTORS' REPORTS:

1. Director's Reports: None.
2. Request for Future Agenda Items: None
3. Staff Items: None

As there was no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 4:34pm. The next meeting date is September 15, 2026. This meeting will be held in person at the District office at 3pm.