



Memo

To: Board of Directors
From: Tom Weddle, General Manager
Date: 9/17/24
Subject: Manager's Reports

Field Maintenance

This past month we have had three service line leaks that were replaced. This would contribute to our water loss. Anderson meter was stopped again, while on. This is after we just replaced the measuring chamber. We realized the sound was coming from the register, which we thought had no moving parts. These are completely sealed units, so we decided to cut it open to see the internals. There is another magnet inside the spins between two sets of coils. This magnet had worn out from the constant usage causing it to not register flow. We ordered new 2-inch ultrasonic Neptune meters to replace the 1-inch meters we were using. Sam Crum asked us to put 2-inch meters back in our vertical wells and we went ultra sonic because there are no moving parts to wear, nor do they lose accuracy.

The Barn booster pump has been replaced. More efficient and about 14 gpm more than the last one. Our wells were turned back up and CLAWA water was shut off for this turn out.

The Beacon DCU has not sent out reads to us since 7/24/24. We have reached out to ACLARA many times for this issue. So far, they have not sent out a tech to assist us.

Felsen motor has been pulled and swapped out with a new one since it was under warranty. Placed back in and it pumps great. Still waiting for the chlorine tablets to dissolve so we can sample.

CSDA Conference

I attended how the District can fall into retirement pitfalls. The discussion centered on how the District can be accountable for not being judicious with deductions and contributions especially how they pertain to part time employees, rehired employees, and those that have previously worked in a PARS type system previously.

There was a session on how the District can use CSDA for cost sharing grant money. It has a more limited scope than a typical Smart Water Grant. It is geared more towards

efficiency and the maximum amount of money for this grant is under \$200,000. You also need to be shovel ready to be eligible.

Budgeting for strategic impact centered around a discussion format asking the attendees how they budgeted and how they adjusted their budgets for seen and unforeseen district financial needs.

Got a chance to sit down with some managers and board members at meals and discussed challenges that their districts were experiencing as well as the things that were working best. There was a lot of talk about the fires and emergency preparedness.