

MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTOR MEETING
VALLEY SANITATION DISTRICT
June 16, 2021

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Valley Sanitation District was held on this date at Platte Canyon Water and Sanitation office at 8739 Coal Mine Avenue, Littleton CO 80123 and via video conferencing. Present for this meeting were board members:

Connie Kucharski Phyllis Gooden Chris Dye Wilbur Hall
Mary Alice Ledbetter

In addition to the board Scott Hand and Cynthia Lane, Platte Canyon Water and Sanitation District, were in attendance.

1. MINUTES: Mary Alice Ledbetter made a motion to approve the March minutes. Connie Kucharski seconded the motion and the motion passed.

The following bills were presented to the board for their approval. A motion was made by Wilbur Hall and seconded by Mary Alice Ledbetter to pay the bills.

2. APPROVAL OF BILLS:

1. Patricia B. Harris, wages	\$ 439.10
2. Phyllis Gooden, Director Fee	92.35
3. Wilbur Hall, Director Fee	92.35
4. Connie Kucharski, Director Fee	92.35
5. Chris Dye, Director Fee	92.35
6. Mary Alice Ledbetter	92.35
7. Collins, Cockrel & Cole	324.00
8. Platte Canyon Water & Sanitation District	5,389.05
9. Safe Systems-Lift Station Utilities	164.85
12. Utility Notification Center of Colorado	116.16
13. Xcel Energy – Lift Station Utilities	991.65
14. Federal Tax Deposit	<u>248.30</u>
	\$ 8,134.86

3. RECEIPTS:

Arapahoe County Taxes	\$ 21,355.34
City and County of Denver	<u>11,365.52</u>
Total	\$ 32,720.86

4. FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING OF DISTRICT:

WELLS FARGO BANK:

Checking account balance: \$4,910.83

__5. COLOTRUST:

General Plus Fund

May Deposit - \$63,470.30

Income Earned - \$29.02

Balance - \$618,731.44

Interest – 0.0574%

Enterprise Plus Fund

May Deposit – \$0.00

Income Earned - \$1.88

Balance - \$37,144.24

Interest – 0.0574%

__6. AGENDA ITEMS:

a. VALLEY MAINTENANCE – Scott Hand

(1) May

Root Cutting/Treatment: 3,256 feet scheduled (equipment issues)

(2) June

Root Cutting/Treatment: 3,256 feet scheduled

Hydraulic Main Cleaning: 2,380 feet scheduled (Chenango 6-month cleaning)

Seven locates were completed. Sewer tap inspections were completed at 3315 W. Pimlico Ave and 3685 Chimayo Road.

b. MAINTENANCE UPDATE – Scott Hand

Scott Hand reported that Platte Canyon sent the camera into the line to make sure there would be no mainline blockage. If there were an issue, Platte Canyon would root cut until they can get the chemicals working. The areas are being monitored until the chemical procedure can be used.

__7. Platte Canyon Contract Rates: Cynthia Lane sent the rates per protocol with changes of positions since Pat Fitzgerald retired, Cynthia took his place and Alyssa Quinn was promoted to Assistant Manager. The Manager and Assistant Manager rates have been reduced 18% and 12% respectively. Those rates become effective July 2, 2021.

__8. Englewood Rate Increase: Englewood had informally asked Platte Canyon and other districts do a data audit of Platte Canyon and other districts to determine how much had been paid in tap fees in the last 20 years. The information was sent to an independent consultant studying the issue who wrote a letter and sent it to the districts. Southgate sent the letter to City of Englewood identifying several significant issues with the rate study. Platte Canyon heard back from Englewood and they acknowledged receipt of those comments and they are delaying implementation of the rate increase until they do some further data gathering. Cynthia anticipates a formal request from Englewood for the number of taps and their value for the last 20 years. This has the potential of decreasing the amount of the 15% rate increase amount that Englewood was planning.

__9. Impact of a Legislative Bill on Assessment Rates: A conversation on this topic is planned for July or August. Information is still being pulled together on the possible impact to Valley

Sanitation. The bill passed in the Legislature and may have a significant negative impact to tax revenue but Vanessa does not yet have information on the bill. The state passed a law that reduces the residential assessment rates for the next two years. The question is with the increasing property values against the lower residential assessment rate will that be a break even or cause a reduction of income for the district.

__10. Sheridan Sanitation District #1: In the past Valley Sanitation had discussions with the City of Sheridan regarding Sheridan Sanitation District #1 and the possible inclusion to Valley Sanitation. Valley Sanitation did not want the responsibility of restoring the Sheridan district which had not been maintained. The City of Sheridan backed out of the original possibility and of being included in Valley Sanitation. Sheridan now wants to develop some property that is served by the Valley district. The City of Sheridan has requested a conversation with Cynthia Lane and Tim Flynn for the week of July 21, 2021 to see if there is a potential way forward for Sheridan to seat a board and fix the infrastructure at their cost. The question is would Valley consider including them in the district.

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM. The next meeting will be Wednesday, July 14, 2021, 5:00 pm, via video or in person at Platte Canyon Water and Sanitation.

Submitted by: Patricia B. Harris
District Manager
June 18, 2021
