

JOSHUA BASIN WATER DISTRICT
MINUTES
WATER RESOURCES & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, June 12, 2024
61750 Chollita Road, Joshua Tree, CA 92252

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Vice President Doolittle called the meeting to order at 11:06 am.
2. ROLL CALL – Vice President Doolittle and Director Jarlsberg

STAFF PRESENT –Interim Director of Operations Jeremiah Nazario, Director of Administration David Shook, General Manager Sarah Johnson, Executive Assistant, Lisa Thompson

CONSULTANTS PRESENT – None

3. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. DRAFT WATER RESOURCES & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES 05.08.24

1st – Jarlsberg

2nd – Doolittle

Motion carried to approve consent calendar.

5. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. MONTHLY OPERATIONS REPORT

Interim Director of Operations Jeremiah Nazario provided an operational statistics report for the month of May. The report contained statistical information on service order totals, distribution, production, and CIRP updates. Nazario noted that in May, the Distribution and CIRP crews completed triple the amount of LCRR inventory counts compared to the previous two months. Priority is now being given to completing the LCRR inventory, which is nearing its final stages. Nazario also mentioned that the number of leaks increased in May. He explained that as the weather warms up, pipes can expand, which can contribute to leaks. Additionally, Nazario discussed contracting electrical panel inspections and described how hazardous that work can be.

6. STAFF REPORTS –

General Manager, Sarah Johnson reported the following:

- Toured a state-of-the-art reserve osmosis treatment plant at the marine base in 29 Palms yesterday.
- Working with US Water Alliance with hopes to apply for grants for LCRR inventory and/or replacement, and Chromium 6.

7. DIRECTOR COMMENTS –

Vice President Doolittle reported the following:

- Doolittle mentioned that she thought it was great that the district visited the marine base to learn about their treatment plant.
- Doolittle learned about hydrogen vehicles at the ACWA Spring Conference.
- Doolittle inquired about meter leak detectors and expressed interest in Flume technology.

- Doolittle attended the County Board of Supervisors meeting and heard their discussion on their budget and discussion on possible sewers in Joshua Tree that would aid in future hotel development.
- Doolittle sent out light ordinance information to staff.
- Doolittle requested a future agenda item for WRO Committee for Envision.
- Doolittle mentioned the customer's high usage of water concerns.
- Doolittle conveyed her gratitude for the budget process and gained valuable insights from it.
- Doolittle said that she was pleased with the skill set and professionalism of JBWD staff and was an admirer of the General Manager, Sarah Johnson.

8. ADJOURNMENT – Vice President Doolittle adjourned the meeting at 12:02 pm.

1st – Jarlsberg

2nd – Doolittle

NEXT MEETING – July 10, 2024, at 11:00 am.

Respectfully Submitted,



Sarah Johnson, General Manager






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