

# COLUMBINE LAKE WATER DISTRICT



# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

# REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS COLUMBINE LAKE WATER DISTRICT MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2024 3:00 PM

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Columbine Lake Water District was called to order by President Mike Golden at 3:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the Administration Building, 1111 GCR 48, Grand Lake, CO 80447, and also remotely.

Directors Present: Mike Golden - President

Philip Goes - Vice President

Sharon Illsley – Secretary/Treasurer

Geoff Garner – Director Ken Lund – Director

Staff Present: Katie Nicholls – District Manager

Mike Gibboni – Superintendent

### 2. INTRODUCTION OF PUBLIC PRESENT

Janna Sampson.

# 3. **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

By **MOTION**, second, and unanimous vote the July 15, 2024 meeting minutes were approved as amended.

#### 4. MATTERS BEFORE THE BOARD

## a. Resolution 2024-8-1 Opposition of Initiatives 50 & 108

District Manager Nicholls noted that this was a request from the Special District Association. Initiatives 50 & 108 would greatly impact the funding resources available to the District should they pass. A brief discussion ensued regarding the special session called, the initiatives, and impact to the District. By **MOTION**, second, and unanimous vote the Board approved Resolution 2024-8-1; a resolution in opposition of Initiatives 50 & 108.

### Discussion: Water Service Line Breaks Fund Pool \$10,000 per break payout amount

President Golden stated that the \$10,000 emergency pool payout amount appears to be too low to cover cost associated with service line repairs. District Manager Nicholls provided a brief outline on how the fund works, noting that it is only available when the District digs up what is believed to be a water main leak and it turns out to be a service line. A discussion ensued on the frequency of claims on the pool, 15-year inflation from time pool was initiated, impacts of increasing payout, how often billing will need to occur, and overall benefits of the pool. By **MOTION**, second, and unanimous vote the Board increased the Water Service Line Breaks Fund Pool payouts to \$15,000 and directed Staff to update the Rules and Regulations accordingly.

# c. Fourth Addendum to Intergovernmental Agreement with Three Lakes Water and Sanitation

District Manager Nicholls presented the Fourth Addendum to the Intergovernmental Agreement with Three Lakes Water and Sanitation District. She noted that the new rates reflect the 1.9% July CPI, work tasks were more thoroughly outlined, and administrative fees for work outside the general scope of work has been added. A brief discussion ensued regarding the agreement. By MOTION, second, and unanimous vote the Board approved the Fourth Addendum to Intergovernmental Agreement with Three Lakes Water and Sanitation District.

### d. Discussion: Possible election and constituent education

President Golden noted that the Three Lakes Water and Sanitation District Board of Directors had stated a desire for their Board to re-do the dissolution election and the Board should discuss the matter. He noted that he believed the regular May election was his preference. A lengthy discussion ensued regarding water rights, voter communication, potential timelines, deadlines, PR firms, and HOA meeting schedules. Following an inquiry from District Manager Nicholls the Board directed Staff to budget for the election in 2025. President Golden asked Board members to get their thoughts to him by end of August

## e. Discussion: 2025 rate increase and set public hearing

District Manager Nicholls stated that the Board must decide if they want to increase the rates for 2025 and set a public hearing to do so in accordance with the rate study completed. A brief discussion ensued regarding the 5% rate increase, rate study, and overall costs. By MOTION, second, and unanimous vote the Board directed staff to set a public hearing for the October meeting for a 5% increase.

### 5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Janna Sampson inquired about additional costs from IGA if a large line replacement like Kinnikinnick was needed again. She also noted that the website had incorrect meeting dates on the home page.

### 6. FINANCIAL REPORTS

By MOTION, second, and unanimous vote the checklist for July 2024 was approved as presented. By MOTION, second, and unanimous vote, the financial documents for July 2024 were approved as presented.

### 7. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Superintendent Mike Gibboni presented the water usage report. He noted that there was a lightning strike and power surge at the water tower which caused damage to the control panel. Everything was fixed in a timely manner and back running. He also noted that testing for the new lead and copper rules would be occurring soon. A brief discussion ensued regarding lead service lines.

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## 8. **DISTRICT MANAGER REPORT**

District Manager Katie Nicholls noted she would be starting budgeting soon.

With no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Sharon Illsley, Secretary/Treasurer Katie Nicholls, Recording Secretary

# August 2024 Minutes

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