

Art Donnelly (00:00:03):

But you never know. Never know. Well,

Taysie Savage (00:00:10):

I'm not scared of getting sick, so

Art Donnelly (00:00:12):

I'll stay close to you, okay? Okay. Pet dish. They can handle what? Better than more. I can see coming up with a new thing. Yeah. Not good. Take one. These kids right here? Yeah. How's that, Sharon? To meet here. Is it us? Okay. And I lost my PCP again. Go, man. Nobody wants to practice medicine anymore. They don't. Seriously. I'm really pretty much sure it's not me.

Taysie Savage (00:01:01):

Does everybody have

Art Donnelly (00:01:02):

An agenda?

Taysie Savage (00:01:04):

You don't.

Art Donnelly (00:01:06):

Okay. Oh, you do? Okay. We good? I'm good. Yeah. I bring down, I'm going to move the stack. I think Sharon is here in her car maybe. Is she dressed like a brown colored car? Yeah, she, yeah, she'll need a hand in probably. And I think, oh yeah, I had too much junk in my pocket.

Vanessa West (00:01:29):

She's going to sit over there by

Art Donnelly (00:01:33):

On the other side. I can't handle all the crap. Okay. So is this seat available then? I think so, yes. Okay.

Vanessa West (00:01:42):

It's just going to be Jordan and Sharon.

Art Donnelly (00:01:45):

Okay.

Vanessa West (00:01:46):

And I'd love to have more. Not that today would be a day for most if they're going to volunteer. What? Today would not be a day. I think they would.

ShirleyMarie Raven (00:01:56):

It's not a good day. I

Taysie Savage (00:01:58):

Had somebody that was interested in volunteering. Should I have him talk to you?

Art Donnelly (00:02:01):

Yeah. That's good.

Vanessa West (00:02:03):

And even if they told me someone who's like, oh, can't do this. It doesn't need to be like,

Taysie Savage (00:02:09):

Yeah, he was just really interested. He was like, yeah. He's like, I know you're not hiring right now. He's like, but I was just looking for a way to help out. And I was like, well honestly, we can always use volunteers. And I was like, let me check on that and cool. I'll

Vanessa West (00:02:22):

Let him know. Call me and then I can find out what his interests are and then find some tasks for what interests

Art Donnelly (00:02:30):

All its accepting applications.

Taysie Savage (00:02:32):

Fair. I mean,

Art Donnelly (00:02:33):

Maybe they're interested in being on the board. Yeah.

Taysie Savage (00:02:40):

I don't often do this, but I would not recommend this person

Art Donnelly (00:02:43):

For that position. Unfortunately, the only people that have expressed an interest to me in the last few months,

Taysie Savage (00:02:54):

A very nice guy, but not applicable for that position.

Vanessa West (00:03:01):

Yeah. I've tried to get even just volunteers. There's some things I like to do in trying to get Just can you, I need four people to volunteer five hours a week and four or five people to commit to come to one hour meeting a month. No, no. I've talked to probably a dozen people. And it's not just for the water. Do you know how much great things this community could have if we just tag a few people, Mr. Volunteer for five hours a week? You could just get maybe phone calls and then just people showing up to meetings. Well, it

Matt Ferkey ([00:03:42](#)):

Might be Vanessa's.

Taysie Savage ([00:03:44](#)):

Okay.

Vanessa West ([00:03:44](#)):

Huh? What

Taysie Savage ([00:03:45](#)):

Is your phone? Is your phone ringing?

Vanessa West ([00:03:46](#)):

No, my phone's going off because somebody got, they didn't jack my email, but they're trying to say they did. So they're trying to say that they have all these personal sexy photos of me that if I don't pay them \$500, they're going to care all my private pictures and stuff to all my contacts I have anything on

ShirleyMarie Raven ([00:04:07](#)):

That you

Vanessa West ([00:04:08](#)):

Care about. And this is on my email. I haven't used in like 10 years, but it's still, it's where my dish and my Verizon bills go to. I just need to switch and then I can just get rid of this email. But now, so since I didn't pay, now they're sending me a bunch of under deliverables the last three days that are just going on up here. Then they're trying to say that, oh, a payment to your PayPal just went for 1000.

ShirleyMarie Raven ([00:04:40](#)):

I get more. Your payment was declined notices than, I mean it seems like every day there's several of them. Most of them go directly to spam now, but some of 'em sold. Yeah, I don't think so. My bills are paid.

Vanessa West ([00:04:54](#)):

There's so many now the postmaster is marking them, is rejecting them. So that's what all these are now is they're trying to send a bunch more. But yeah,

Matt Ferkey ([00:05:02](#)):

I did not discuss with my wife borrowing the electric weed eater, but I think it should be fine.

Taysie Savage ([00:05:10](#)):

Okay, cool. Yeah. And that way I can just because fire restrictions. Yeah, I didn't think about that when we were purchasing equipment earlier in the year.

Vanessa West ([00:05:21](#)):

I would put that on top of your list

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Taysie Savage ([00:05:23](#)):

On electric. At least weer, but we could probably can't use the gas engine. No, no.

Vanessa West ([00:05:29](#)):

I have

Taysie Savage ([00:05:30](#)):

10. Right?

Vanessa West ([00:05:31](#)):

I really like this eco boost.

Taysie Savage ([00:05:33](#)):

Well, it depends

ShirleyMarie Raven ([00:05:35](#)):

Or

Taysie Savage ([00:05:36](#)):

It depends on what level we're at though. Yeah, I

ShirleyMarie Raven ([00:05:39](#)):

Think we're at yellow right now. I looked

Taysie Savage ([00:05:41](#)):

So it's before

ShirleyMarie Raven ([00:05:43](#)):

You don't have anything until 10 o'clock.

Matt Ferkey ([00:05:45](#)):

No metal blades either would be string trimming only.

Taysie Savage ([00:05:48](#)):

Yeah, I can't use brush

Matt Ferkey ([00:05:49](#)):

Blade. You could get the nylon blades.

Taysie Savage ([00:05:53](#)):

Ooh, that's not a bad idea.

Vanessa West ([00:05:54](#)):

So think about it guys. Lemme write that. I'd say we're not getting still battery upper chainsaw. The thing is those are 800 and something dollars each and the batteries are \$300 each. The thing is the chainsaws, but you can get like 300 ones that work great. Yeah. I

Matt Ferkey ([00:06:12](#)):

Don't think that we need electric chainsaw.

Vanessa West ([00:06:14](#)):

I think we don't. Don't need 'em at all. Weed

Matt Ferkey ([00:06:17](#)):

Eating is a loop. Yeah, it is a loop of weed eating and so we have to be able to do that during the

Vanessa West ([00:06:27](#)):

Weed eater would be something. But chains mind can wait until it cools off or I can just do it later in the

Taysie Savage ([00:06:33](#)):

Day somewhere.

Vanessa West ([00:06:35](#)):

I could possibly tonight. Oh hey. Hi there tomorrow. But yes, I do think that we'll prioritize that.

Taysie Savage ([00:06:45](#)):

Yeah. Yeah. I definitely didn't think about that earlier in, but taken care of.

Matt Ferkey ([00:06:55](#)):

Jordan's now typing

Matt Ferkey ([00:06:56](#)):

His time sheets.

Vanessa West ([00:07:00](#)):

He has too much time on his hands. It took

Matt Ferkey ([00:07:03](#)):

Too much time, so I didn't do it the next

Vanessa West ([00:07:05](#)):

Time. Do you need that? Do you want to sit in a metal chair or in your I can't sit in this one. Okay. Oh, it's just a water. Water. It's not a sitting thing. Yeah, and I can sit right here. Yep. Yep. That's the plan. Sit in. Yeah, I'm over here in quarantine. Where is it? Why? My husband has covid, so. Oh geez. So I'm over here. Okay. I don't want come and you're over there. See, I'm just going to turn my phone off. Here's a stretch. I have

Art Donnelly ([00:07:53](#)):

One. Jordan,

Vanessa West ([00:07:56](#)):

Do you have this or should I put it in the slot?

Jordan Walker ([00:07:58](#)):

I'll take that.

Vanessa West ([00:08:02](#)):

Does someone know what time? It's

Jordan Walker ([00:08:06](#)):

Six 12.

Vanessa West ([00:08:07](#)):

Okay, so it's July 8th, 2024 at six. I'm opening the meeting call order board members that are here is Vanessa West Art Doley community members that are here. Shirley, Marie, Raven,

Matt Ferkey ([00:08:31](#)):

Matthew

Taysie Savage ([00:08:31](#)):

Ky, Tasia, Savage,

Jordan Walker ([00:08:35](#)):

And Lee Jordan.

Vanessa West ([00:08:37](#)):

Okay. So safety committee meeting. I know that we were ordering equipment so that we can be ready when the contractors start in the next week or two or three or four. How's that list going? Did we get our, I know we had safety glasses. We have the orange vests. Did we get the, I thought earplugs. Did we get the helmets?

Matt Ferkey ([00:09:03](#)):

Helmets and earplugs are up there at site. Okay. Technically the earplugs aren't at the site.

Vanessa West ([00:09:10](#)):

They're

Matt Ferkey ([00:09:10](#)):

Frequently at the site. Well, there's some here and there's some in my vehicle that it's frequently at the water treatment plant.

Vanessa West ([00:09:18](#)):

Okay. So yeah, those can be put. The contractor did say that he would like us to really limit our use of the earplugs because for safety wise, he feels that during different times it's good to be able to hear so. Sure. So he doesn't want you to wear 'em at all times, but if something does bother, it's too loud when you're doing it, then that's good. But he doesn't want you to just be wearing them nonstop. That makes it a worse safety. Also, everyone's going to need to be checking in with Matt if they want to make any appointments up there during construction to make sure what's going on and whatever task it is. Because art or I want to bring three or four different people up there from a certain agency. They all have, depending on the days and what they're doing, they may need additional gear. And just check in with Matt so we can see what progress. Any other safety concerns that you can think of?

Matt Ferkey ([00:10:25](#)):

No, we do need to add a throw ring to our tools list

Taysie Savage ([00:10:31](#)):

Copy.

Matt Ferkey ([00:10:33](#)):

Especially now that the pond is deep enough to,

Vanessa West ([00:10:37](#)):

And Jordan, I was going through it too, through the Three Rivers grant and there was some other safety gear on there. There was a harness. There's their climbing rope, there's the attachments that go to the climbing rope. Those need to be purchased with the

Matt Ferkey ([00:10:53](#)):

Tasie has updates on that. I think

Taysie Savage ([00:10:57](#)):

Sort of. So I did look at the fall arrest systems. They seem to be in good working order and I thought that we only had one, but I do believe that we actually

Vanessa West ([00:11:08](#)):

Have

Taysie Savage ([00:11:09](#)):

Two available at the water treatment plant now. I have not gotten them out and fit tested them or anything because I'm a smaller person. I'm probably going to need a baby gap size, but I can do that this week. But we do have two available and they look like they were in good working order.

Vanessa West ([00:11:26](#)):

So you can check, kind of figure out what the sizes are because you're correct. Because we have two workers that mean we only need two because at different times we're going to have different size workers and I'm kind of the size, the same size, so who knows, one of these days I may need to assist an operator or something. So yeah, I do think if you can just check on those, see what they are. We still need to purchase one just because that was on my list. But it would be nice to know what sizes we do have so we

can make sure we get the right one for this. And then safety ropes are always great. Ropes get old. So me, I'm going to be trusting a rope. I'd kind of like it to be a newer rope myself.

Matt Ferkey ([00:12:09](#)):

They do appear to be in good condition. I mean I understand that if we need to replace 'em, we need to, but they're not stored out in ultraviolet light or anything like that. They're stored in our inside.

Vanessa West ([00:12:18](#)):

Then we may just, either way we do need to buy at least a rope, a attachment, a harness and some other attachment because I very specifically included those in the grant. In the grant. And I did speak to someone today and kind of let 'em know we're getting close with the tools and this from that. And so they kind of got an idea that we're going to come back and

Matt Ferkey ([00:12:48](#)):

We don't have enough money to buy a mini excavator. We just don't.

Vanessa West ([00:12:55](#)):

So you're saying no.

Matt Ferkey ([00:12:57](#)):

Well then it's all gone. That's it. That's it. It's all gone. But I mean,

Vanessa West ([00:13:01](#)):

What did it, Matt told me the other day, you wouldn't let me buy a mini excavator. I said, I didn't tell you. No. I said, is that the only thing you want? Because that's all the money we have. There's probably

Matt Ferkey ([00:13:11](#)):

\$5,000 left and there is a little \$5,000 backhoe in Eugene. And the thing is, is it would've been perfect the repair up. It would Maple

Vanessa West ([00:13:22](#)):

It would, but

Matt Ferkey ([00:13:23](#)):

It would've been perfect for that. But then that's it.

Vanessa West ([00:13:28](#)):

But Matt's saying no.

Matt Ferkey ([00:13:31](#)):

Yeah. I said no, it's me.

Vanessa West ([00:13:32](#)):

Okay. So anything else for safety meeting? So if we can work on that, maybe that can be, let's accomplish that at this Thursday's meeting. If we could do, you can have the answers and maybe we can



Matt Ferkey ([00:13:43](#)):

Quick question. Do that. So are we now on top of all of our material safety data sheets and all the OSHA required signs? We are working on OSHA signs. One thing that kind of goes with the casino, but not the casino grant. Some of our OSHA things that are failing have to do with aging moose pumps. The casino has pumps that might be suitable for boost pumps, but I have to find out what we can pick and choose from the casino. So I might make another call and see what we can pick and choose from the casino. But we are working on it and I really don't know what all MSDS stuff we have down there.

Vanessa West ([00:14:30](#)):

Matt did take a trip to the casino to look to see what they have. There wasn't a whole lot that he thought that we could use. We could use the whole set, but there was some good aspects of different things that he thought that could be

Matt Ferkey ([00:14:43](#)):

Helpful. Probably less than 5% of what they have, which is kind of, it makes it difficult to be like, well hey, we want this 5% and not the, but the other side to that is probably 50% of it is outdated and just beyond use and 50% of it is a fire suppression pump. It's a diesel engine pump that is absolutely not useful to Mapleton water district. It's not considered food or drinking water rated as fire suppression only. So that does us no good.

Vanessa West ([00:15:22](#)):

Okay. But still. So you'll check in and see if there's some other components there? Yeah. See if they'll let us pick and choose some of the components.

Matt Ferkey ([00:15:31](#)):

Yep.

Vanessa West ([00:15:32](#)):

Okay.

Matt Ferkey ([00:15:33](#)):

Okay.

Vanessa West ([00:15:34](#)):

Anything else for safety?

Art Donnelly ([00:15:37](#)):

Talk to Jordan about the OSHA signage. Jordan, you had a pretty complete list of what we needed, didn't you? Yeah, the problem is our likelihood of getting a snap OSHA visit will go up during the construction phase.

Vanessa West ([00:15:53](#)):

Okay. We'll make that a priority on Thursday.

Matt Ferkey ([00:15:58](#)):

Orange.

Vanessa West (00:15:58):

Orange. We skip this last Thursday meeting because of the lake as well. If it's a holiday, there's a, we do have and we just have to osha, we skipped this Thursday meeting because of a holiday. Then we ended up having a week temporary. Then we skipped last Thursday because we were meeting the intake. We did a T. Oh, we had HJ was here and we were working out on the field. So we didn't get to have an employee meeting the last two weeks because we were busy on our employee meetings. But it's been on our cash

Matt Ferkey (00:16:27):

Sheet. When h and j says that they can show up and help us out, we can take 'em up on that one.

Vanessa West (00:16:32):

Yeah, so we'll get that done this week. So end of the safety meeting at

Jordan Walker (00:16:41):

Six 20.

Vanessa West (00:16:43):

That we started at 6 26 12. Oh,

Jordan Walker (00:16:47):

You're really off.

Vanessa West (00:16:49):

Okay, so ending at six 20. And at six 20 we are starting the regular meeting. Would anybody like to add or change or add to the agenda?

Jordan Walker (00:17:04):

Did you, you're just attending. Okay. I was hoping that you were volunteering to be on the board.

Vanessa West (00:17:13):

I second someone else heard. Oh, okay. So I thought there was no minutes.

Jordan Walker (00:17:25):

There are no minutes. My report is that there are no minutes for

Vanessa West (00:17:29):

This. Okay, so we're not going to approve the minutes. So

Jordan Walker (00:17:35):

It's just time sheets and expenditures.

Vanessa West (00:17:37):

Would somebody like 10 motion us to with one motion to approve the consent agenda minus the approval of the minutes. That's you guys. Where is the, they must not have reviewed it online. I did. I reviewed it all. But where is it here?

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Jordan Walker ([00:18:02](#)):

Oh, the consent. So the consent agenda includes the time sheets and the expenditures. Okay. So Vanessa Open is entertaining a motion to approve the consent

Vanessa West ([00:18:16](#)):

Agenda. I can't entertain one. I'm not allowed to bring up a motion. The board chair, you can

Jordan Walker ([00:18:21](#)):

Entertain it but you can't actually

Vanessa West ([00:18:24](#)):

Make, so I'm asking to see if somebody would like to make a motion to approve these.

Art Donnelly ([00:18:28](#)):

I'll go ahead Sharon. I'll second you.

Vanessa West ([00:18:30](#)):

Okay. I make a motion to approve the time sheet and the consent agenda. Yeah,

Art Donnelly ([00:18:37](#)):

I'll second that motion.

Jordan Walker ([00:18:40](#)):

All in favor?

Vanessa West ([00:18:42](#)):

Aye. So discussion items, resolution 2 20 24 0 8, adopting the employee handbook. That employee handbook is like a thousand pages long. So 63? Yes. It was a good read. So I told Jordan, I've asked him, you're not printing out all those, are you? I still have my last copy.

Jordan Walker ([00:19:10](#)):

I have copies here but not 10. So me and Vanessa discussed this a little bit earlier today. So a lot of this stuff is just obvious or should be obvious.

Art Donnelly ([00:19:23](#)):

I've read it three times each iteration so it gets better and better.

Jordan Walker ([00:19:32](#)):

And so mostly what is just a reference for if there's a conflict, this is where we go. And also I did put a clause or a section in the resolution that the employees have 14 days upon adoption to review and sign it. So

Vanessa West ([00:19:55](#)):

14 days. So then that would be not this meeting. The next meeting would be within board team.

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Jordan Walker ([00:20:03](#)):

Well in two weeks.

Vanessa West ([00:20:05](#)):

So we can do it during our board meeting.

Jordan Walker ([00:20:06](#)):

Well this is just employees not if you adopt it, your consent is assumed. So it's really just to make sure that employees have read it.

Vanessa West ([00:20:18](#)):

Okay, so they would read it on their own and bring it back. They have to find something that they have read.

Jordan Walker ([00:20:22](#)):

Yeah, there's a sheet in the back that we would keep on file.

Vanessa West ([00:20:27](#)):

Okay. Does anybody want to bring up a motion to approve the resolution?

Art Donnelly ([00:20:34](#)):

I'd like to make a motion that we approve the employee handbook with a notation that the board has the ability to modify that in the future if they deem it necessary.

Vanessa West ([00:20:48](#)):

Always do that. That would have to be in both. So I don't think that

Jordan Walker ([00:20:52](#)):

It's noted in the

Vanessa West ([00:20:53](#)):

Book. I second.

Jordan Walker ([00:20:55](#)):

Okay, so

Vanessa West ([00:20:56](#)):

All in favor? All in favor?

Jordan Walker ([00:21:01](#)):

Is it

Vanessa West ([00:21:01](#)):

Just the three of us?

Jordan Walker ([00:21:03](#)):

Three of you?

Vanessa West ([00:21:04](#)):

Yep. Yep. So authorizing the chair to enter into an amended contract with Business Oregon.

Jordan Walker ([00:21:13](#)):

So this is the final, this is the resolution that the business Oregon provided us to approve amendment number one to the loan and grant contract. Vanessa, Michelle and I kind of did a budget of what we're actually anticipating spending and we came up with the figure that we needed an additional \$850,000 to complete it. 50,000 of that is a grant and then 800,000 is a loan that could possibly be placed partially turned into a grant depending on

Art Donnelly ([00:21:56](#)):

Is that still contention on whether or not there are funds left over in the

Jordan Walker ([00:22:01](#)):

He's

Vanessa West ([00:22:01](#)):

Not mentioning that part of this might end up being a grant. We won't know that until around, until we should know soon.

Jordan Walker ([00:22:08](#)):

We just don't really have a good time.

Vanessa West ([00:22:10](#)):

But they want us to do this just I need to be able to sign that so that we have it and then they can switch it however they want. We won't be billed anything until we start borrowing. We won't borrow until the money we have is gone already.

Art Donnelly ([00:22:25](#)):

I've read it. We were prepared for this and I don't think we have any choice. So I would motion that we authorize Vanessa to sign this

Vanessa West ([00:22:36](#)):

And if we have too many, I mean we just had a leak that just came out of our budget. Really this could be significantly higher because we just don't have enough money on hand to pay for leaks. So we have to just start borrowing more and more money just to keep people in water. We may have to do that. So we tried to give some wiggle room, be very, very realistic, but the number could be off. But this is a good place to start.

Jordan Walker ([00:23:04](#)):

I would make a motion to approve resolution to motion. Motion.

Art Donnelly ([00:23:06](#)):

4 0 9. Yes.

Vanessa West ([00:23:08](#)):

Do you want a second? I second. All in favor? All in favor. West tech rental Skid update.

Art Donnelly ([00:23:23](#)):

Yeah.

Vanessa West ([00:23:25](#)):

You say yuck.

Jordan Walker ([00:23:26](#)):

I said yuck.

Vanessa West ([00:23:27](#)):

Working with a lawyer. The lawyers, we really don't want to go to court. When we sent off that we wanted to do mediation and sent them the letter stating that this is ours, blah, blah, blah. They came back and half was lies and made up stuff and the lawyer's like they don't know what talking about, but the other half, it's true. If we go to court, it could go either way. There isn't an amount on there. So they wanted us to try to mediate before we pay the mediator who's like three or \$400 an hour anymore. They want to start mediating before mediate. They want to come down and see their skid, which really they can come see the skid at any minute. She said we're not going to get out of it. Might as well come down so they can make an offer. So they're coming on the 11th to come to look at the skid. Do

Matt Ferkey ([00:24:18](#)):

They charge for that time or is that They're doing that on their own?

Vanessa West ([00:24:22](#)):

They're not. They're not paying nothing. If they want to come down and look at our skid, go ahead and come down and look at our skid. You

Matt Ferkey ([00:24:29](#)):

Didn't request it. So that contract does state that we only required to carry \$150,000 insurance

Vanessa West ([00:24:35](#)):

On. There's so many different things in there, but row, it can go either way. They can try to say that it's worth seven, this or that, but before they can really make us an offer. They got to know or this or that. But really to me it means nothing. It's our skin.

Matt Ferkey ([00:24:52](#)):

And worst case scenario, you just take the baseball bat to it. How much is worth now? I'm just kidding.

Vanessa West ([00:24:57](#)):

It's our skin. They can do it at once. So that's what I told our lawyer where I'm at, it's our skid. They want to buy it from us, make an offer. The board can review it, that's fine. But to us it's our skid and you can come look at our skid if you'd like. No problem. We'll just charge 'em a thousand dollars to look paid for

our time to meet 'em there. Right. So yeah. So most likely they're going to be, she anticipates if we decide to would be to mediation. And then once it kind of gets close, then I'll ask you guys. And if you guys say no way and we want to go to court, which he recommends not to go to court. Who does? If we don't have to, the attorney, the lawyer and special district says when you have a lawyer, you should be listening to your lawyer's recommendations. No, why don't we want to do that? Causes money? Well, they'll have to pay for it. They don't have, so you weren't

Matt Ferkey ([00:25:59](#)):

Listening to Vanessa closely

Vanessa West ([00:26:00](#)):

Enough. The problem with the contract, there doesn't have to be a deadline, but it doesn't say an amount there. But we do have the amount. We just paid for a better skid, which is 400,000 and they're trying to say that there're lousy skids we're six 20

Matt Ferkey ([00:26:14](#)):

And we do have two quotes

Vanessa West ([00:26:16](#)):

Both at the

Matt Ferkey ([00:26:17](#)):

Time that we rented the skid and for this new skid from them for less.

Vanessa West ([00:26:21](#)):

Yes. So we have a lot, but still our lawyer says we don't have, it's not a clean and clear cut. It's not clear cut. It's not. And it can be interpreted in a few different ways. They've got a lot of money. Their lawyer's going to be better than our, then it'd be better to keep it out of court. So when there does come some kind of offer, I will get together with the community and present it, but right now I don't have anything to offer besides they want to come down and view that before we start the negotiating process. And so the next step is they're going to come on the 11th and look at it? Correct. And then from there, their lawyer will be here. Our lawyer will be here. Our lawyer coming to be here for part of that? Correct. Okay.

Jordan Walker ([00:27:09](#)):

Which is Friday. Friday? I still have two. Is that Friday the 11th?

Vanessa West ([00:27:14](#)):

You're talking July 11th. Friday's the 12th I think. Oh, so

Art Donnelly ([00:27:17](#)):

Thursday. Yeah.

Jordan Walker ([00:27:19](#)):

Okay.

Vanessa West ([00:27:20](#)):

Yeah, Thursday. I'm not

Matt Ferkey ([00:27:21](#)):

Going to mess with our next

Jordan Walker ([00:27:23](#)):

Week. We'll work around

Vanessa West ([00:27:26](#)):

Better. Next meeting.

Jordan Walker ([00:27:27](#)):

That would be Thursday.

Vanessa West ([00:27:28](#)):

Yeah, it's at one o'clock.

Jordan Walker ([00:27:30](#)):

Okay. We should be, I have two unpaid invoices from them. Did the lawyer say anything about them?

Vanessa West ([00:27:36](#)):

Yeah, we're not paying them anything for our ski because we're honoring the agreement as we read it in the paper. Okay. Yep. So we are not to pay them anything.

Jordan Walker ([00:27:47](#)):

That's all I have.

Vanessa West ([00:27:51](#)):

So it's going to be something decent, but we have to agree to it and when it comes, I will present it for us too to make a decision. But there's just nothing to present. But it's looking like 50 50. I think we'll at least get financially. I think that it'll work out at least free this not having a plus and then maybe we could agree on a couple hundred thousand or something. I think it's going to be,

Art Donnelly ([00:28:24](#)):

I think when we get to the point where we realistically need to discuss that, one of the very first things that we'll need to discuss and we'll rely on your opinion Matt quite a bit is whether or not it's actually worth us paying a dime to have what is essentially a backup skid that we have to store, store and actually likely maintain. I was going to say and maintain.

Vanessa West ([00:28:51](#)):

So for me, I kind of like them to pay us a couple hundred thousand dollars for our skit and if we just don't have to pay for eight months of storage plus the tear down, plus the shipping it back plus fix and plus whatever they want to charge us, that might be damaged, that could be a total of 200,000. If we could even just be clean, walk away, walk away. I would

Matt Ferkey ([00:29:15](#)):



Agree with that. If they want to come get it, if they're saying that they own it and they want to challenge it, then they can come get

Art Donnelly ([00:29:19](#)):

It on their dime. Does

Vanessa West ([00:29:20](#)):

Really? So even if that would save us probably \$150,000. Yeah. Not their time. Our time.

Matt Ferkey ([00:29:27](#)):

No, on their dime.

Vanessa West ([00:29:29](#)):

Oh, dime. I thought you said, and then if we get another \$50,000 for fun, I would say that would be a win-win. If they

Matt Ferkey ([00:29:36](#)):

Really say, hey, they want to take ownership, then they can come get it and nobody will throw fists, but that's it. They're not getting a dime from us. Yeah, well,

ShirleyMarie Raven ([00:29:45](#)):

Do they have a time limit on when they can come get it?

Art Donnelly ([00:29:49](#)):

None of that is,

Vanessa West ([00:29:51](#)):

There's a lot of negotiations. We haven't even started negotiating yet. We haven't even started negotiations

Matt Ferkey ([00:29:56](#)):

Yet. The contract is really open ended,

ShirleyMarie Raven ([00:29:59](#)):

So next step is they're going to look at it and then they'll say what they want to say and then we'll figure out what we want to do and that'll start the back and forth

Vanessa West ([00:30:07](#)):

Stuff. I guess the only offer they did like three or four months ago before we hired a lawyer, they did offer us two, three months of rent. So 20,000 and we turned it down. Yeah,

Matt Ferkey ([00:30:22](#)):

I mean,

Vanessa West ([00:30:25](#)):

Yeah, I guess we have a paid rent, so we didn't respond. Yeah. Okay. So that's the only update I have. It's still end motion and when they do, I will promptly put together a meeting that wouldn't be an executive meeting. It would be a regular meeting. So we may have an earlier meeting in a couple weeks. So master plan update, that would be art.

Art Donnelly ([00:30:53](#)):

I don't know anything that you don't know because I've been on all the emails that I've received. Okay.

Vanessa West ([00:31:00](#)):

So

Art Donnelly ([00:31:00](#)):

Kevin told us three weeks ago that they had done the pressure testing modeling that James had gotten that done. Given what I know about the process, that should put them into, I would say probably two thirds complete. Kevin is I think in his probably beginning of the second week of his two week vacation, so we won't get any more information from them until he comes back because Tim is no longer on the team and I don't have contact information for James, who I don't think could really tell us anything anyway.

Vanessa West ([00:31:44](#)):

Yeah, two thirds way through we're getting there.

Matt Ferkey ([00:31:50](#)):

I will say that Alder, Alder, Alder Street tie in valving corner of Chestnut and Alder. Those are plastic pipes. So Chestnut is likely new plastic of some sort. It's probably just the spur lines that are not.

Art Donnelly ([00:32:15](#)):

So we've got a community member who's been involved with the water district for decades who Roger, who lives on Maple, and if we wanted to know when that was replaced, phone call to Roger would probably get us that information. I

Vanessa West ([00:32:32](#)):

Do have Roger's phone number.

Art Donnelly ([00:32:34](#)):

I think I do

Vanessa West ([00:32:35](#)):

Google and I asked Charlie. Charlie said that yes, he looked at that map and he said he's been there, Charlie Park, and he said yes, he would say that what's written on that map has been done because he remembers they were working up here a long time. So he's really certain. But Roger Charlie was at work half the time, but he knew they were working up there, but Roger would know a little more.

Art Donnelly ([00:32:59](#)):

Wally had told me at one point early on that they spent a significant amount of money in the nineties replacing that chestnut line

Matt Ferkey ([00:33:08](#)):

And this would be the 1995 master master plan and then the installation. Oh, I don't know if there's, I have the book at my house and

Vanessa West ([00:33:19](#)):

I'm very frustrated. I really would've liked to have swapped that alder. I mean Maple, that maple line, it has its forest fix on it. I really wanted to repair that, but I was pretty much put down by Michelle from Business Oregon that we cannot spend no more money. And so I didn't bring it up to the board because Michelle's saying we can't spend no more money. So now that's where we just had another significant leak and the people were out of water and this and that. We just spent an arm and a leg patching it again when we patch it, it's not a cheap, it's like five to \$10,000 each time we patch it when it would only cost about 70,000 to replace the whole thing. So we've already spent half that patching. Okay,

Art Donnelly ([00:34:08](#)):

We have 800,000 waiting in the pipeline right now for line replacement. If we're doing less on Rice Road than we originally thinking, then we might want to go ahead and include that maple section.

Vanessa West ([00:34:24](#)):

We don't know.

Matt Ferkey ([00:34:26](#)):

We dug on rice and we found the first intersection of anything main on Rice Road is the fire hydrant at the corner of Chestnut and Rice. We use the back trucks. We dug a whole chestnut rice. Sorry, rice and first I'm thinking about chestnut. Thank you. So the corner, not president. That's fine by me. The corner of rice and first that first hydrant there, we used the back truck dug down and it is asbestos concrete. I'm so glad you did that there to there. So we know that there is a plastic pipe of some type down at the gas station,

Vanessa West ([00:35:11](#)):

Not of some type. We know that that is the service line because

Matt Ferkey ([00:35:16](#)):

We don't

Vanessa West ([00:35:16](#)):

Know. So we know and it's the right size. It's 10 or 12, whatever it's supposed to be. We know it's there.

Matt Ferkey ([00:35:21](#)):

My assumption would be that that at least goes from the tank if the end of river review to the post office, we have no way of knowing if it goes from Riverview to the post office. We also don't know if they did anything from the post office to the 90 degree turn at Rice Road.

Vanessa West ([00:35:37](#)):

I can tell you, I know it goes to the, we know that it goes from the end of Riverview to the post office because that line has been vacated

Matt Ferkey ([00:35:48](#)):

And that makes sense

Vanessa West ([00:35:49](#)):

Because so we know a hundred percent that line goes from there to there, at least post office. So we do know that for a fact.

Matt Ferkey ([00:35:55](#)):

So we don't know if it goes from the post office to Rice Road or up Rice

Vanessa West ([00:35:59](#)):

Road, but really what we found out is pretty much worthless because just because we saw the asbestos there and that it was still hooked up to, that means nothing because just like the old cat trail, they put in a new line but never vacated that one and moved

Art Donnelly ([00:36:22](#)):

Those over. This would raise the question.

Vanessa West ([00:36:25](#)):

So that pipe could still be there. We won't know until we start digging. That pipe could still be there just not being hooked up at the moment yet.

Art Donnelly ([00:36:34](#)):

Can I just ask real quick, isn't the leak detection equipment that you got sonic based? In other words,

Matt Ferkey ([00:36:41](#)):

It does not send out any signal. It is a microphone. A very, very sophisticated microphone. Yes.

Art Donnelly ([00:36:48](#)):

Okay. So if that line's been vacated, you're not going to hear any water in it. You're not going to hear water running

Matt Ferkey ([00:36:54](#)):

Inside. So the asbestos concrete line, a hundred percent has not been vacated?

Vanessa West ([00:36:59](#)):

Correct. Okay.

Matt Ferkey ([00:37:00](#)):

It's still in service. So what she's saying that there is a possibility that they ran the new line

Vanessa West ([00:37:05](#)):

And never, but they did

Matt Ferkey ([00:37:06](#)):

Not tie in that hydrant to the new line

Vanessa West ([00:37:09](#)):

Or the other connections, just like they didn't do that. They didn't connect it on the cap trail. Those seven connections they had the new pipe in there. They did not put those connections on that new pipe.

Matt Ferkey ([00:37:20](#)):

And again, flip a coin for the same thing. When they did the repair, the first house on the left hand side of Rice Road, Aaron and Linda, when they did the repair of their corpse valve, which is on the main line, Mike says that, and I remember walking over there and looking and seeing that it, because I remember them talking about it, beam, asbestos, concrete. But Mike says that he is certain that it's asbestos concrete in the ground there. So again, neither evidence for either, but leaning towards that was not replaced.

Vanessa West ([00:37:56](#)):

I don't know that I'd lean, I'd still say 50 50 because just like that cat wrote, they laid the pipe but never attached it.

Art Donnelly ([00:38:03](#)):

Okay. Leaving us in the position where we don't know. We don't know. So therefore we can't write a work plan.

Vanessa West ([00:38:10](#)):

We're going to have to,

Art Donnelly ([00:38:11](#)):

Well, we will time him out on that 800,000. This is what the EPA is telling us it is. We

Vanessa West ([00:38:20](#)):

Can write saying that we're going to replace it and worst case scenario, we don't have to replace it and we have extra money left over.

Matt Ferkey ([00:38:25](#)):

I will say

Art Donnelly ([00:38:25](#)):

We need a work plan and the work plan. Work plan. Okay. Anyway, that's probably a bigger discussion.

Vanessa West ([00:38:31](#)):

Yeah. Work plan is going to be assuming that it may not be there, but

Art Donnelly ([00:38:35](#)):

Because essentially what you're saying is applicable to pretty much any run of pipe in this district. Yep. So we don't know what we don't know.

Vanessa West ([00:38:45](#)):

Yep. Correct. We're not going to,

Matt Ferkey ([00:38:48](#)):

Yeah, we do.

Art Donnelly ([00:38:48](#)):

Knowing what we don't know, then how are we going to determine where we're going to spend the money? This doesn't apply just to the 800,000. This applies to the whole system.

Vanessa West ([00:39:03](#)):

Absolutely. Well, it's the same thing. We're just going to do this section and if there's already a new pipe there, then we don't put in new pipe there, but we just keep going. And then the know you do the next, I mean it's the same thing. We don't

ShirleyMarie Raven ([00:39:14](#)):

Start with the top priority.

Vanessa West ([00:39:15](#)):

Yeah,

Art Donnelly ([00:39:16](#)):

Exactly. And that's what we went through the process of determining what the top priority was. Then to discover that we had great deal of uncertainty about whether or not that was,

Vanessa West ([00:39:27](#)):

Well, that still didn't defer me from keeping that as our priority place contact just meant finished the project. If that's replaced with 800,000, it never deferred me from the project. The project was still the project.

Art Donnelly ([00:39:41](#)):

Okay.

ShirleyMarie Raven ([00:39:43](#)):

Is it this big of a project or this big of a project?

Art Donnelly ([00:39:47](#)):

\$800,000 with project right now we just need to figure out where to spend that money,

Vanessa West ([00:39:51](#)):

Which is on Rice Road.

Art Donnelly ([00:39:52](#)):

Okay, good.

Vanessa West ([00:39:53](#)):

Yeah, we're right where we were at. What

ShirleyMarie Raven ([00:39:54](#)):

Did you mean when you said the grant was going to time out or something

Art Donnelly ([00:39:57](#)):

Was going to time out? Well, it is a 2022 allocation.

ShirleyMarie Raven ([00:40:03](#)):

So the money has to be spent within a certain amount.

Art Donnelly ([00:40:05](#)):

We're rolling into 2025 if we don't get this going and everything so that we can conclude our planning in 2024 and have work done in 2025. In other words, if we're actually just making our proposal in 2025, that's not going to work for the EPA.

ShirleyMarie Raven ([00:40:24](#)):

Okay. So we have to get our proposal in 2024 so the work can be done 25 5. And if we don't, then we lose the

Art Donnelly ([00:40:30](#)):

Money. That money will become unavailable to us. Okay.

Vanessa West ([00:40:34](#)):

Yeah. Okay, gotcha. But that's how the whole product's going to be. We don't know there's unknowns everywhere. That's just how it's going to, we just choose circle a spot. This is where we're going.

Matt Ferkey ([00:40:43](#)):

I have a quick question regarding it. The map that shows the landslide potential. That would be my only thing is if the ground is shifting over in the Chestnut neighborhood, are we going to continue to see break after break after

Art Donnelly ([00:41:02](#)):

Break

Matt Ferkey ([00:41:03](#)):

And are we not as likely to see that over on Rice and first and again, the other thing is rice and first is all lowered pressure.

Vanessa West ([00:41:16](#)):

Well, the problem with Chestnut is there's only three lines there. We only have \$300,000 worth there. I would like to do the chestnut with easier grants because each one of those roads is under a hundred thousand. We wouldn't have to pay to do. We got to pay double or triple for the engineers and have an engineer that makes sense. And to make it a big project when those are a hundred thousand or each under. So we don't have to have someone manager, we don't have to do the big FEMA thing where they're

having to pay pre value wage and this and this, this and that. So those are each one individually small, 50 to \$90,000 projects that we could use. The

Matt Ferkey ([00:41:58](#)):

Other thought process would be is with that all being in land shifting, there's a great possibility that there's more grants in the future to

Vanessa West ([00:42:04](#)):

Do it. I agree with hazard mitigation could be another emergency grant, but those could be some cheaper ones that we don't really need to pay double or triple for. So is what I'm hearing is that the

ShirleyMarie Raven ([00:42:19](#)):

Grant, if you're requesting under a hundred thousand dollars, you

Vanessa West ([00:42:21](#)):

Don't have to jump through as many hoops to get the money Correct. For state money. And it's a lot of hoops. They cost like three times as much. So I think those could be good billings. We want \$300,000 project or less than two 50,000 or 250,000 or 1 million. Are we going on to the internet? So internet

Matt Ferkey ([00:42:52](#)):

Asked this.

Jordan Walker ([00:42:52](#)):

I think I may have missed Dennis today. I think I saw him drive by when I was down at the plant this afternoon. So not much to update there, but I'll reschedule him. Usually he stops by the office when he needs something to happen.

Matt Ferkey ([00:43:09](#)):

So the situation hasn't changed. We're

Jordan Walker ([00:43:12](#)):

Exactly where we were. Are we

Matt Ferkey ([00:43:14](#)):

Getting any more cooperation than we

Jordan Walker ([00:43:16](#)):

Were? Yeah. So I think what's happening is that they have a way of doing things that starts with a service ticket and if we don't have a service ticket, the engineers aren't going to ask. I mean there's no way to show that they haven't responded to us. So we have one now. I'll have to follow up with, I forgot his name, but the one who gave me all the information and reschedule to have Dennis there when I'm there.

ShirleyMarie Raven ([00:43:46](#)):

Okay. This said a technician was going to be there today? Yeah. And that's what you're thinking

Matt Ferkey ([00:43:50](#)):



You missed.

Jordan Walker ([00:43:50](#)):

Yeah, I saw him drive by. So I don't know, maybe he was there earlier, but Matt also wanted to talk about a possibility of getting

Matt Ferkey ([00:44:01](#)):

The Starlight. Yeah. So right now starlink has their equipment on sale for \$299. It's \$120 a month for their service. The equipment, the one thing about getting the equipment for \$299 is kind of like a cell phone contract at this point. If you keep that equipment for 2 99, they want you to pay your service contract for six months. Otherwise they want to charge more. The counter to that is if we buy it, you can actually buy it for \$50 upfront and have 30 days to return it. I don't know if they give you the \$50 back, but they will return. There's no contract. The only contract is that they don't pay for six months that they might charge you full price for the equipment, which is 5 99. If you return the equipment, it's the \$50 possibly some return shipping. I just installed it at my house at noon today. I'm getting like 120 something plus megabytes per second of my view of the sky. I wonder if I have it on here yet. They do give you some amazing, I don't know if it would be on this or

Vanessa West ([00:45:24](#)):

Not. So you're getting 120 and I paid for 80 and I probably get 35 and I'm his neighbor.

Matt Ferkey ([00:45:35](#)):

Maybe he'll let you. Well, Larry, Larry is closer.

Vanessa West ([00:45:41](#)):

What do you have? CenturyLink.

Matt Ferkey ([00:45:43](#)):

Larry is closer. I mean you can see Larry's starlink from York. Well,

Vanessa West ([00:45:49](#)):

But you think it'll even work somewhere? You said you think it would work 50%. Do you really

Matt Ferkey ([00:45:55](#)):

Think? I actually think it might be more than that. So it's really hard to show, but since noon today, hundreds of satellites have passed over. I don't know if you want to, since actually one o'clock today. Hundreds upon hundreds of satellites have passed over. I actually think judging by that and judging by the picture that we have and by the picture that this expects to see, I think that we would have intermittent at least 45 minutes of every hour, if not more. And I actually think that it would still be fairly reliable. I think you might get some five minute breaks. So Matt, so that we don't spend too much more time on that right now, this is a decision that you can make with Vanessa and Jordan, I suppose. Are you proposing this as an intermittent solution until we restore our service with centrally or are you proposing this as an alternative?

Matt Ferkey ([00:46:54](#)):

I think that this could be either. I think that our contractor is begging us to have internet up there. I think it could be temporary. I don't know how long until Hayak gets up there. I really would prefer that the water district does not spend any money getting CenturyLink back up there. Oh, I agree. I hate CenturyLink. Now also, there is not an alternative here that works a hundred percent of the time. If the starlink works, we pay for it for six months and Hayek comes up there, the equipment will probably actually retain most of its \$300 value because you got the \$200 discount for using it for six months. Again, the return option is there if it doesn't work. I mean even if we're out a hundred dollars, we have probably paid employees more than a hundred dollars in wages and mileage since the internet has been out. Just to communicate doubt, to verify things.

Vanessa West (00:48:00):

Does somebody want to, did you have

Matt Ferkey (00:48:03):

A question? Is this a motion?

Vanessa West (00:48:06):

It sounds like that it's on sale. He wants to try it. We need to try it sooner or later. Contracting should start. We should be getting these permits in the next two to three weeks. It should get started.

Matt Ferkey (00:48:15):

I think it would probably be better if somebody motioned to purchase it.

Sharon Kelly (00:48:20):

Question?

Matt Ferkey (00:48:21):

Yes.

Sharon Kelly (00:48:23):

Who's that? We don't have any internet up there now,

Matt Ferkey (00:48:26):

Correct? Zero. None. We have it for months

Sharon Kelly (00:48:29):

And

Vanessa West (00:48:30):

No cell service. Zero. Yeah.

Sharon Kelly (00:48:35):

Starlink, where are you going to put that little gadget

Matt Ferkey (00:48:37):

So we could put it up on the roof and see what kind of signal we get

Sharon Kelly ([00:48:43](#)):

There. Too many trees around

Matt Ferkey ([00:48:45](#)):

Here. There are a lot of trees and that's something that we really don't know until we take it up there. And that's one of the other things that I unfortunately found out is to get it, to get the package for the \$300, you cannot change your address. It is a fixed thing for the first six months. They're trying to fill in gaps over on this area. They have a lot of satellites flying over that are doing nothing because they don't have customers. I mean the only place we need it is the plant. So we wouldn't be changing the address.

Sharon Kelly ([00:49:17](#)):

Why couldn't we use it in our office?

Matt Ferkey ([00:49:22](#)):

Well, I mean we could, but that doesn't do us any. But we have intermitted our office. I

Sharon Kelly ([00:49:26](#)):

Know.

Matt Ferkey ([00:49:27](#)):

And we don't have any up there. I

Sharon Kelly ([00:49:29](#)):

Know, but if you can't combine the two, I mean why have two? Can't you combine the

Vanessa West ([00:49:39](#)):

We are not getting two. We only need one.

Sharon Kelly ([00:49:41](#)):

I know.

Vanessa West ([00:49:43](#)):

We don't want to buy two.

Jordan Walker ([00:49:44](#)):

We would have to probably get a separate account or add. We'd pay a lot more for starlink here than we do for CenturyLink. And CenturyLink here works fine. It's just that we don't have any It does

ShirleyMarie Raven ([00:49:56](#)):

Now.

Matt Ferkey ([00:49:57](#)):

Right now. Yeah. For now. Acceptable. Yes, it works.

Vanessa West (00:50:01):

And eventually we're going to switch to Hayek.

Sharon Kelly (00:50:04):

Why?

Vanessa West (00:50:05):

Because Hayak is going to be like 5,000 instead of 80.

ShirleyMarie Raven (00:50:09):

So with the satellites, Matt, is that a satellite has to be going over before you, I mean if there's no satellite, you don't have

Vanessa West (00:50:15):

Internet but ly. But there's

Matt Ferkey (00:50:17):

Lots of Yeah, ultimately,

Vanessa West (00:50:19):

Ultimately everyone's switching over to high end. That is, unless they don't use internet because it's going to go from 20 to five. The

Matt Ferkey (00:50:28):

White square is the satellite dish. That is my Okay. And the blue is satellite paths going

Vanessa West (00:50:34):

Over. So would we like to try it or go for

Art Donnelly (00:50:36):

It?

Jordan Walker (00:50:36):

Yeah, I would say if somebody wants to make a motion to allow Matt and I to try the satellite system,

Art Donnelly (00:50:44):

I'll make a motion that Ableton water District should try at least a six month. Well, even the 30 day. 30 days to get six months. Yeah. I thought you said if we didn't do the six months, we didn't get the deal. If you do 30 days, you have 30 days to return it. You have to pay six months to keep the cheap price even better. I motion that you try it. I second

Vanessa West (00:51:09):

All in favor.

Art Donnelly (00:51:12):

I still maintain my reservations or legitimate reservations based on what friends of mine up in Eastern Washington have told me. Absolutely. One of the things you're not taking into account, Matt, is tree cover is one thing. The steepness and the distance between those two ridges is a whole nother thing. I

Vanessa West ([00:51:33](#)):

We're trying though for 50, a hundred bucks.

Art Donnelly ([00:51:37](#)):

The third issue though is winter storms and hopefully again by that point we could have other internet. My neighbor has StarWay and the counter is honestly if, well it probably doesn't matter because if Hayak gets here, if Hayak has comes to the site, they're going to come here first and then go there. Yeah, but I agree with you. We absolutely 100% have to have internet up there and phone service, cell phone service construction phase to

Jordan Walker ([00:52:11](#)):

Keep pursuing the central link thing just so we have.

Art Donnelly ([00:52:14](#)):

Yeah, and I don't know if you saw the forwards that I Vanessa today, but do communicate with Sherry both the progress and the problems that you're running into because her team does want or is working on this, does want to work

Vanessa West ([00:52:27](#)):

On this. And we still may want to turn them into the utility, people's utility, whatever, because yeah, this should not be so difficult just to be able to speak to ridiculous and we have yet to be able to speak to

Jordan Walker ([00:52:43](#)):

Somebody. I have spoken to somebody but not who we've been referred to. We're kind of starting the process.

Vanessa West ([00:52:49](#)):

I was on the phone for two hours just getting passed from non-person to non-person to non-person.

Art Donnelly ([00:52:55](#)):

Look, we've had so many problems up at our place. It's just unbelievable. I hate those guys. That's why I'm like I have CenturyLink and I don't have a problem with

Vanessa West ([00:53:06](#)):

It. Okay, well we're moving on guys. Yep. Future relationship with Rainbow Water District. So this would be art arts.

Art Donnelly ([00:53:16](#)):

Well, I was hoping that you could provide a little bit more information on that. I know that you've been talking to Rob Woodard lately and this is Rob Woodard's suggestion. Rob Woodard believes, let me set some context for those of you who don't understand who Rob is. So Rob Woodard is the Lane County Special District's manager. To put it simply, it's his job to facilitate the interface between special districts

and Lane County government and everything. Rob has expressed over the last year and a half. A lot of dissatisfaction with how districts in unincorporated townships or areas in Lane County are supported by Lane County Government. The relationship that we have right now is extremely hands-off. It wasn't always that way until the late seventies. Lane County government actually ran special districts like this. They had local general managers, local operators.

Art Donnelly ([00:54:32](#)):

They pulled out of that over liability concerns and completely cut loose all the special Well actually created special districts at that time. They weren't special districts before that. Rob has wanted, and one of a number of people working in Plain County in different capacities, who's wanted Plain County to rethink their relationship to special districts given all the problems that special districts in unincorporated areas are having. We're not alone in the kinds of problems that we're having, believe me. But Rob has come to the conclusion that there is no support on the county council to make this happen. So what Rob has dropped back to as a physician is we need to establish a relationship with Rainbow Water District, who I know nothing about except for whatever you may know if you've looked up their website online. So Rainbow actually runs their own district and they run districts for a number of other small communities on the fringes of Eugene and Springfield. They are interested in expanding and have expressed an interest in coming out and helping us manage this. I know nothing about the specifics. We would know nothing about the specifics unless we have some sort of information session. If this is anything that we would want to consider for the future, what we might think about doing is have a representative from Rainbow come out here and do a presentation. Alternatively, we might ask Rob Wooder to come out here and do a presentation because it's his idea.

Vanessa West ([00:56:24](#)):

Me, Rob Woodard is great. I've got a cell phone. I can call him on a weekend if we have a mayday. I mean Rob has been amazing. I've been working with him with the Culver. But Lane County's direction and his guidance is come in, lane County can come in, take over Maple Water District, replace everything, 20 million loan, then they'll hire everybody to run it and everything and get it going. So it's top notch. Then that gets split by the 250 households have to pay that buck until that's all paid off, that \$2 million loan. Plus we also have to keep money away to be able to maintain it so that there's no way, and I told Rob, there's no way. There's no way. I said, Rob, I said, we're not going to agree on anything like that. I said, unless it's 18 million in grants and \$2 million loans we can do.

Vanessa West ([00:57:17](#)):

I said, I don't expect not to put a penny in there, but I said, we cannot get 20 million in grants and we're not going to agree to anything that's going to be a hundred percent US loan. There's no way. It's not possible. Did we have an agreement or something with Rainbow? No, before, we've never had an agreement with Rainbow. So then there's Rainbow. So I already let him know and he's mentioned it three or four different times in a few different meetings. Oh, well we will fix everything and then you guys pay it. No. Are you guys going to help us get the grant? No. We can do with grants. We're not getting a \$20 million loan. So is that what Rainbow is about to So then his other option is Rainbow. Rainbow. Will they do? There's a place called Dexter, not Dexter, but something, I just looked it up.

Vanessa West ([00:58:02](#)):

Oh, I think I took a picture of it. So there is a place, oh, my phone. I turned it off. So they manage it, but they do the billing for this one company. They hire up an operator to come and do the daily stuff or the DRC and they maintain everything mostly from a distance or they'll hire someone locally to come over here. But really the part that we need help with, we don't need to get rid of Jordan. We don't want 'em in the manager office. We don't want them to do the daily stuff. Sure. It'd be nice to have a DRC that has

some knowledge. That would be nice. More knowledge up to date knowledge not, but to have more. But then what they, and then grant support. So really if a just were a DRC for a reasonable price, which there's no way it's going to come close to what we're paying now, but reasonable. And then grant support using, Hey, you guys have grant support. We can use that piece. But really they want to manage the day-to-Day, the whole operations. And we just can't afford or need that. Yeah, like

Art Donnelly ([00:59:14](#)):

I said, it sounds like you actually have information. All I've heard

Vanessa West ([00:59:18](#)):

Is Rob. Rob is pushing for that repeatedly. And Kim told me, keep my eyes on him because it's not really him. His people are trying to, that's their idea. But to have Rainbow come here and sit down and tell us. Tell us and have Rob sit right here. And I will tell Ram and Rob that no, we are not getting a 20 million loan. Are you guys going to help us get grants and manage grants and get our system up and running up to par for a reasonable price? Maybe

Matt Ferkey ([00:59:51](#)):

It

Jordan Walker ([00:59:52](#)):

Might be good to have just more information.

Matt Ferkey ([00:59:54](#)):

It would be good to have more information.

Vanessa West ([00:59:56](#)):

Well more information, but they need to be here with more information. They

Matt Ferkey ([00:59:59](#)):

Need to come and do a presentation. I was going to say, I don't think that a private company is Rainbow Water District. Are they special district? I have no idea.

Jordan Walker ([01:00:08](#)):

It's a special

Matt Ferkey ([01:00:09](#)):

District. It is a special district.

Jordan Walker ([01:00:11](#)):

You

Matt Ferkey ([01:00:11](#)):

Do a really good job. When I look at business, I don't see somebody stepping in unless it's financially beneficial.

Vanessa West ([01:00:24](#)):

They're stepping in not to help us. They're stepping in to make money.

Matt Ferkey ([01:00:27](#)):

Well the thing is

Vanessa West ([01:00:28](#)):

Rob tries to make it sound like they're coming in to help. No, they're coming in to expand their business and make more money.

Jordan Walker ([01:00:34](#)):

Not, not-for-profit organization, but assisting other communities does obviously for a fee reduce the cost to their

Matt Ferkey ([01:00:45](#)):

Users too. So two related questions to this. As a special district, I know the school district, they tax us, our property owners based on dealing within the district right now, we don't

Vanessa West ([01:01:02](#)):

Have anything like that. We'd have to get the voters to approve us, taxing them. And I don't see the voters wanting to approve for us to tax them plus pay their bill. Plus we're going to raise 'em no matter what. So I don't see it now. I

Matt Ferkey ([01:01:14](#)):

Know right now we have a lot of wells going in within the district. Yeah, 20 over the last couple of years. Yeah.

Vanessa West ([01:01:22](#)):

A lot of 'em aren't very good though.

Matt Ferkey ([01:01:25](#)):

No, they're not.

Vanessa West ([01:01:27](#)):

And I don't think anyone's disconnected besides maybe the one person that I had to block on my phone. She is.

Matt Ferkey ([01:01:35](#)):

Ask Lori how that's going. Two, I know that's quite a nightmare. Two. Two.

Jordan Walker ([01:01:40](#)):

And some of the people who have actually installed water are using the district as a backup just

Matt Ferkey ([01:01:47](#)):

To, oh see, I think Walton Walton is running off of his, well,



Jordan Walker ([01:01:50](#)):

Yeah, but they still have an active account with

Matt Ferkey ([01:01:54](#)):

Us. I think that Mandy and Zach. Yeah, man. And Zach.

Vanessa West ([01:02:00](#)):

And Zach just means we're going to have really No, that just means we're going to have less and less people to be forking at the bill. I've already asked Lane County for \$2 million, we can dig everyone a Well, they won't give us 2 million to dig. Well, because they like to have a backup plan. So they say there is no backup plan for a well. So they will give us 2 million to dig everyone a. Well, I already asked and the problem is again, yes, we just get less and less users. Well, and the thing is the rates will go up if only half of us have wells, you still have to maintain the entire distribution.

Art Donnelly ([01:02:33](#)):

So

Vanessa West ([01:02:34](#)):

Yeah, I know my husband wants me to dig a well so I don't have to volunteer. I still debate digging a well. You'll dig a well, but like I said, I'm not going to, even though the rest of the community doesn't seem to care about themselves, I won't do that to the community that doesn't care about themselves.

Art Donnelly ([01:02:57](#)):

So we pretty much exhausted that topic.

Vanessa West ([01:02:59](#)):

Yeah, some exhaustive. But I would like to, we could try to set up them coming for a meeting though, but I don't have to go to High Hope and I'd like us to really keep, when we do work with Lane County and them, let's make sure that we really keep our eyes open because I am not going to agree

Art Donnelly ([01:03:17](#)):

To proponent of this idea at all. It is the last case scenario.

Vanessa West ([01:03:23](#)):

It's an easy way for Lane County to fix this if we're not going to do rainbow water, let's get go on.

Jordan Walker ([01:03:29](#)):

I will note that just one final note is that a lot of the districts that they help manage are quite a bit smaller than us. I think there might be one about our size, but I'm not sure if they would be willing to, I don't know their position would be,

ShirleyMarie Raven ([01:03:46](#)):

Are we going to move forward with having them come and give a presentation? Yeah,

Jordan Walker ([01:03:50](#)):

I think at least

Vanessa West ([01:03:52](#)):

I think that they can come and give us a presentation for sure. So that's our next steps. Ask them to come and give us a presentation of what they do and what they could do for us and why would we want them. Correct.

Art Donnelly ([01:04:01](#)):

I'll contact them.

Vanessa West ([01:04:03](#)):

Okay. Yeah. I really want to keep my eyes open and then I don't think there are saving grace by no means, but let's have them come. Yeah, well and especially if you want to stay in Rob's good graces.

Art Donnelly ([01:04:15](#)):

That's my biggest,

Vanessa West ([01:04:17](#)):

We should at least listen to them If Rob is pushing it. If we want Rob, we still need to still like us, then

Art Donnelly ([01:04:23](#)):

We should

Vanessa West ([01:04:24](#)):

At least listen to these folks. And

Art Donnelly ([01:04:28](#)):

County has been pretty much dry whole, and I mean I'm extremely disappointed across the board on that right now

Vanessa West ([01:04:38](#)):

We are getting a lot of meetings and people talking and can do this or that, but there's just nothing out there coming out of it. There's just nothing out there. No, they're looking but there's nothing. So employee evaluation policies,

Jordan Walker ([01:04:54](#)):

Art asked for this to be on here, but I think we're just basically bringing it back up now that we have a

Art Donnelly ([01:05:02](#)):

Well, so on our list last year of the different things that we needed to get done with Kim for the one that we just adopted, the employee policy handbook and what went with that was an employee evaluation process. Both of these, not because Kim said we had to, but because SDIS said we had to, so that would seem like logically that would be next on a list. How are we going to approach it?

Jordan Walker ([01:05:34](#)):

My thinking is that we had a meeting about this in December and there's a lot of material there. We didn't have anything, a finished product. No, that was not

Art Donnelly ([01:05:46](#)):

A long shot,

Jordan Walker ([01:05:47](#)):

But we did get a very good kind of consent, almost consensus about the direction that we're heading, the actual production of evaluation rubrics for instance. I think I have enough material to present a rough draft for the

Art Donnelly ([01:06:11](#)):

Board and I'll tell you one of the reasons that this was top, it's not like it's the priority item, but top of mind for me is, forgive me if I'm wrong, but won't we be rolling up on six months with Matt here pretty soon and we want to have a six month employee evaluation?

Jordan Walker ([01:06:32](#)):

I think so his down road for a year, six month agreement or probation period, and we're coming up on three months,

Art Donnelly ([01:06:41](#)):

Three,

Jordan Walker ([01:06:42](#)):

I've only been an employee for three months. He's volunteered

Art Donnelly ([01:06:45](#)):

For hired you in February sometime

Vanessa West ([01:06:47](#)):

We didn't start paying on the

Art Donnelly ([01:06:48](#)):

Ninth or 10th. Well

Vanessa West ([01:06:50](#)):

Regardless, we do need to get this so that we can do our employee evaluations. I think it's only fair for them to know what we're going to be, can't they need to know what we're going to be evaluated them on? So they should have already had the questions so they can know what's going to be there so they can try to shine on these during there. So I do think that we really do need to work on that. If you could

Jordan Walker ([01:07:15](#)):

Give us, I think the board has done about as much as they can at this point. I think

Art Donnelly ([01:07:20](#)):

You're probably right,

Jordan Walker ([01:07:21](#)):

Jordan. And now that we have a handbook and it addresses some of those, the evaluation policy, it'd be easier to create something that board can actually look at and change if they need to.

Art Donnelly ([01:07:33](#)):

And I would say too that if it's consistent with the handbook, which has already been approved by special districts and by HR answers, then we're probably pretty safe putting together the evaluation.

ShirleyMarie Raven ([01:07:46](#)):

So that's something you're going to work on, George, is to take all that information from the prior meeting, the actual handbook and put together

Art Donnelly ([01:07:55](#)):

Something for a

Vanessa West ([01:07:56](#)):

Rough

Jordan Walker ([01:07:56](#)):

Draft and then probably have the board look at what I've produced and make changes and then the next meeting adopt adopted

Vanessa West ([01:08:07](#)):

And community members and employees make. Yeah. Okay. So that sounds good. But yeah, we definitely do need to get that done and I think we intended on doing it much sooner, but Kim kind of got spread waste in and it's six months for this to get done and we thought we'd have a few other things. So customer policies. So

Jordan Walker ([01:08:31](#)):

Art's done some digging on this, but I think it's another one of those things where there's a copy of what we have now and it says,

Art Donnelly ([01:08:43](#)):

I'm not familiar with Bo that

Jordan Walker ([01:08:44](#)):

Name. It says September, 2019, but I don't think so. We do need to update our ordinances. Part of it is that there, it's just out of date. There are things that most of it just needs to be adjusted, but there are things that we need to add as well.

Art Donnelly ([01:09:03](#)):

Okay, well going back to that, that's exactly what you and I proposed last year and Kim told us not to do that. Kim warned us very strenuously not to just go ahead and just update this because I thought that would've been a very simple process for us to do. So now my question in regard to this agenda item is do

we actually have any competence that Kim would be able to work with us on this? I'm not getting the signals.

Jordan Walker ([01:09:36](#)):

I did talk to her a little bit and one thing is that it is, she'll be able to give us advice. She won't be able to work on it explicitly. One, it's extremely time consuming in terms of the timeline, which is fine. Oh yeah. But her expertise would be she's willing to help us in that way. Just she can't do a lot of the footwork, which is I don't

Art Donnelly ([01:09:59](#)):

Expect much, Jordan. This is one of the reasons why, and I certainly didn't send you all the examples, but what I did was pull up examples from other small districts here in Oregon. Those have already been approved and put into use. So it would seem like if we just went ahead and picked one of those that read well and then had that Kim do a once over on that and give us her opinions, everything, we could tighten that language up and make it specific to us with about the same amount of effort that we would put in to update this

Vanessa West ([01:10:36](#)):

1950s document.

Art Donnelly ([01:10:38](#)):

It's been updated. We can all tell this was written. Yeah, like you said in the fifties and mostly it was really, really aimed at,

Vanessa West ([01:10:46](#)):

I think I'm in agreeance, I think go choose one from a seat of water

Art Donnelly ([01:10:50](#)):

Or

Vanessa West ([01:10:51](#)):

Another.

Jordan Walker ([01:10:51](#)):

She's also concerned about what we're actually calling it. There are legal implications, which I am still, I kind of get the gist of what she's saying, but I'm going to need to ask more questions. But I think we can maybe for the next meeting have more of an idea of what we actually

Art Donnelly ([01:11:11](#)):

Need

Jordan Walker ([01:11:12](#)):

And what

Art Donnelly ([01:11:14](#)):

Kind of Kim wants. I understand Kim's guidance. In other words, once we craft it and it's been given the once over by somebody who has the experience to be able to make sure that it seems tight and everything, it can only go into effect once it's adopted by ordinance. And I know the ordinance process is a more time consuming process than our usual resolutions and whatnot. Yeah, that's understood. But it still doesn't seem like it's anything that it is not prohibitively difficult. And the longer that we go without published customer policy, the longer we put ourselves in a position where we could have liability issues that were not covered sufficiently covered on it was exactly the same situation we were in not having employee policy had we had employee policy several years ago, we could have saved 125. Well add in the lawyer's fee 130 something recently. So it's just covering both of those things are about covering our ass. Yes. All they're about, yes.

Cindy Haberman ([01:12:37](#)):

Kind of late, but if you want to go down there for the finish off your meeting.

Art Donnelly ([01:12:42](#)):

Oh no, I think it's cooler. I bet it is. I am so

Vanessa West ([01:12:45](#)):

Sorry. It's perfect. Okay. Thank you. Sorry

Art Donnelly ([01:12:49](#)):

For the interruption, Jordan. I think that the employee evaluation policy gets priority over that and I think we should get that done first.

Vanessa West ([01:12:57](#)):

Yeah, I'd agree. Okay, so we'll put that on the next, I mean, let's work on one big project at a time

Jordan Walker ([01:13:08](#)):

And I'm going to need some more. I'll talk to, Kim has basically expressed to me that she's willing to give, she's willing to talk as much as she can, but she probably only has a couple hours a month

Art Donnelly ([01:13:21](#)):

Where she actually do stuff. That's what she basically told me too.

Jordan Walker ([01:13:25](#)):

So yeah, I'll talk with her about the process and

Art Donnelly ([01:13:28](#)):

What just for grins at some point get out the list of to-dos.

Vanessa West ([01:13:35](#)):

Yeah, Kim did say that she's willing to help Kim

Art Donnelly ([01:13:37](#)):

Made up for us last year and you'll see that quite a few of them are still on. I'm not done,

Vanessa West (01:13:41):

And if we need to email her questions or something, she'll try to answer this or that, but she just can't start and finish some big projects, but she still text emails

Art Donnelly (01:13:51):

Us and I know actually I'm going to save that one for later, that comment for later. But this has left us in Anup position though.

Vanessa West (01:13:59):

Correct. Request for qualifications for engineer of record.

Art Donnelly (01:14:05):

Did anybody read the email that I sent out? I did. I don't remember

Jordan Walker (01:14:10):

The text. Yep. Yeah,

Art Donnelly (01:14:14):

So any questions?

Jordan Walker (01:14:17):

So if I'm clear, so the request for qualifications, that's just kind of step one task.

Art Donnelly (01:14:22):

This is a screening

Jordan Walker (01:14:22):

Process. Okay, that's what I thought. And then once we actually get the qualifications, we can send out

Art Donnelly (01:14:29):

An actual, what this is meant to avoid is putting out an open RFP and having everybody and getting 30 firms that respond to your RFP. And then you have to all of those guys submit actual proposals. Those are contract proposals and everything before you've had a chance to decide whether you want to work with any of them. If RFQ narrows your pool down to the firms that have the qualifications, you are looking for either a specific project or for an ongoing consulting engineer relationship. Okay, that makes sense. That's all it is. So that you've got a qualified pool of applicants then like say for the EPA or when you're ready to send out your rf, what they call an RFP, your request for a proposal on your construction project, you need an engineer of record. You're only going to send it out to the people that you've already qualified. So maybe you've got three qualified firms that you would really want to work with. They only have to send it out to 'em. It makes life an awful lot easier for us, an awful lot easier. That's all this step is about. Got it.

Jordan Walker (01:15:50):

So what would be the next step for

Art Donnelly (01:15:52):

Board action? We have an eight page form that we send out to the people that responded. They fill that out, they write their little essay questions, answers to the essay questions.

Vanessa West ([01:16:04](#)):

And what does that

Art Donnelly ([01:16:05](#)):

Do? Well, we blew past that, so no problem. Now I'm sure some of them are wondering, but come on, it's the holidays. So our next step would be to send that out to whoever answered. I don't, the reason that I put, I'm sorry. I did that, Vanessa, the reason I put your name on there and your email address is because you're the board chair and I thought it made it look more official. I didn't realize that you would get responses that quickly. I thought that they would triple in. I was surprised we got 10. I figured we'd get four maybe, but we need to, if we want to go through this process, we need to do the next step. Well,

Vanessa West ([01:16:45](#)):

I haven't gotten any back.

Art Donnelly ([01:16:48](#)):

Well, we haven't sent anything out to them. I did. Oh, okay.

Vanessa West ([01:16:52](#)):

Okay. Everyone that asked me, I sent it. They've

Art Donnelly ([01:16:54](#)):

Done until the 14th.

Vanessa West ([01:16:56](#)):

Okay, the 14th. So I should expect the 14th. Okay.

Jordan Walker ([01:16:58](#)):

Or are they going to be, well

Art Donnelly ([01:17:00](#)):

Email it

Jordan Walker ([01:17:01](#)):

Or does it say in mail?

Art Donnelly ([01:17:05](#)):

I think it said mail and you guys pretty sure it did

Vanessa West ([01:17:08](#)):

Put it in a newspaper prior, but really it'd only been like two days that I finally went into, so they don't need more time. I think.



Art Donnelly (01:17:17):

Yeah, it went into COOs Bay, Florence, Newport, Eugene.

Vanessa West (01:17:21):

So there's about 10 different people. I haven't received any back, but I will forward them

Art Donnelly (01:17:24):

To, one of the things is I think we all know this, it would be nice, it would be important for us to be working with a company that's actually headquartered here in the state and as a local presence and local knowledge and people that are close enough in offices, they're boots on the ground to be able to come here, not rely on a distance relationship for almost everything. That's bullshit. Do we currently have an engineer of record or is that No, we don't have, right now our engineer of record on the existing active project that we have is West Coast. So you have to have an engineer of record on a project like that. Yeah, I mean Oregon Health Authority wouldn't allow you not to. Okay. Yeah, that's law. Yeah,

Vanessa West (01:18:21):

And I would really like an engineer that might have more boots on the ground. So the west, it's been great, but they don't, even though they're local, they're not putting much boots on the ground.

Art Donnelly (01:18:30):

West Jo has not been great, and we know that our experience over the last, my experience over the last year and a half has certainly shown me that West Jo has not the kind of engineering company that we'd want to be working with. West Jo does not have our best interests at heart while they're working for us, they have theirs. And that could be a look, everybody, every engineering firm that responds is going to have degrees and some completed projects that they can point to. They're going to be qualified to do the work. We're not just looking for an engineering firm that's qualified to do the work. We're looking for an engineering firm that's willing to put our interest first. It always works this way. Our interest first because they know that means they'll keep making money off us. And

Vanessa West (01:19:21):

A smaller, more local company, like a company from Newport's going to know that we are a low income and understand because we're pretty much their neighbors. It's a lot easier for someone from Colorado see as people,

Art Donnelly (01:19:39):

For anybody in particular because I don't know very many engineering companies and there's got to be some really great ones out there to work with that we haven't had any experience with. But I do know one thing, and it's been interesting to see how this has worked out in practice. When Kevin sat down with Vanessa and I in there back in September of last year for that very first meeting, he said, we'll do the extras to help you out on stuff because we're making an investment. If we do that, it creates more work for us. He's not stupid. Now that could have been empty talk and I haven't been a hundred percent happy with everything, but what I have seen is that when I was having trouble getting that EPA application in and I expressed that problem, my frustration to Kevin on the phone call, Kevin said, no problem.

Art Donnelly (01:20:53):

I've been an employee who does this stuff all the time, Shannon, Joseph. He goes, here's her email unlimited hours. She'll help you get that done. She did. I would not have been able to get that in without

Shannon's help. He didn't have to do that. He didn't have to do that. This help that he's been given, we would not be over the hump with a FEMA one without Kevin's help. Kevin's help personally, he didn't have to do that. There is nothing in the master plan contract that would've obligated him to give us the help that he's been giving us anything in our current relationship. It would obligate him to be in on those internet meetings that we're having right now. But he always shows up. He always puts time in. That's the kind of engineering firm I want to be able to work with. You are. Well, we are, but not really. We are on one project, but not really. But the thing is, we are probably going to have to go after 10 to \$15 million plus grant opportunities over this next year.

Art Donnelly ([01:22:11](#)):

There it is. No way in hell that's happened successfully. If you're lying on me by myself, not going to have, so I need somebody I can work with. So this goes a little above and beyond that RFP process, but it does point to one of the evaluator criteria we want use when we're looking at who we want to partner up with over the long term. The biggest argument that I'm going to make on that is this. We're depending on how many people show up at any given time. We're a pretty small group of people. Over half of us sitting here are volunteers. We don't have the capacity to manage multiple working on multiple projects simultaneously. We don't have the capacity to effectively more efficiently manage multiple RFP processes simultaneously over the next year or so. There's no God way we're going to be able to do that.

Art Donnelly ([01:23:27](#)):

So if you compare notes, and this is one of the things that I did when I was talking to small districts back last year after Mark Newton generated that list of people we haven't talked to see how they were managing their little districts with a little board and a lot of cases, no general manager and no certified operator, these kinds of things came up. Having one engineering company that you can work with over time has the advantage of familiarity, I guess is the best way to put it. Consistency. They learn how you work, you learn how they work. They start to be able to anticipate the kinds of things that you're going to be able to do. These guys are dealing with those federal grants every single day of the week, for instance, and I bet you we've got responses from a number of the firms on that list, but if you look up the top 15 civil engineering firms in headquartered Oregon, civil West is on that list, there's a reason,

Vanessa West ([01:24:32](#)):

Oh, we'll review and we could sit here.

Art Donnelly ([01:24:36](#)):

What we need to do is we need to

Vanessa West ([01:24:37](#)):

Find, review those.

Art Donnelly ([01:24:38](#)):

It has that kind of ethic, not just the experience doing the projects, but that kind of ethic. Additional resources. Yeah, correct. So anyway, that's all I got to say about that.

Vanessa West ([01:24:50](#)):

And I could agree with all of the are saying, but I think that we could go on an hour about that subject of why smaller one.

Art Donnelly ([01:24:58](#)):

Yeah, it is not going to be west yo, that's for sure.

Vanessa West ([01:25:01](#)):

Right. Okay. So main county natural hazard mitigation, plant plan update.

Art Donnelly ([01:25:10](#)):

Do we need, does the board need to do anything about the No, actually we've now met the public comment period requirement. So that's it. I mean now the ball is in Lane County court, so they'll send that off to FEMA and FEMA will review and approve it more than likely,

Vanessa West ([01:25:32](#)):

And I think it's a couple months,

Art Donnelly ([01:25:34](#)):

But because it's now in process, you meet the requirement for the FEMA grant. Yeah, that was the big, that box had to get checked. FEMA has the same requirement for the non-discrimination policy and practice check. We got that one done already too.

Vanessa West ([01:25:55](#)):

Then scheduling an executive session with that, scheduling that for a different day. So we can have a discussion about that topic or were we wanting to discuss that topic?

Art Donnelly ([01:26:10](#)):

That topic needs to be discussed in an executive session.

Vanessa West ([01:26:13](#)):

It does, but I also need to know that part of it will need to be discussed openly. So I would like a little more guidance on what's supposed to be open and what's supposed to be,

Art Donnelly ([01:26:25](#)):

Well, I mean, okay, I don't know what's appropriate here because Matt's sitting here, but I feel like Matt reached out to the board with some legitimate concerns that he needed to have at least thoughtful responses on. I know I gave him a vaguely encouraging response as vague as I possibly could. Matt, as far as I'm concerned, is an incredibly valuable part of the team and we really should as a team, talk about where we're going with that. The employee evaluation process is part of our response to Matt's concerns because employee, as it says in the employee handbook, the employee evaluation process is part of the review that would have to take place before we recommended any change in pay rate, for instance. So like I said, Matt, I mean, have you gotten what you consider to be a satisfactory response to your letter? From what I've heard, I think that it just needs to be considered. And again, if it's in the handbook that there are things, then yeah,

Vanessa West ([01:27:51](#)):

I would like to have stepping stones so we can know. So it's not just ask us every six months and we'll flip a coin and say yes or no. That's exactly right. If you get this and this and this like an evaluation and then this and this and kind of a stepping stone. So I think we need to work on the employee

evaluation policies. Then I think that we need to do individual for not just for Matt, but also for the position of tases, but then also the position for Jordan. I think all of our employees do need to know what needs to be done. You have to be able to, even if it's to climb up the ladder, you're talking about steps climbing up the ladder or even if every year you get a dollar raise, I mean whatever we want to make it be, there's got to be stepping stones and then ladders. And I think that we really do need to sit down and discuss those, but I don't think we're going to figure those out overnight. But you need to be active.

Art Donnelly ([01:28:50](#)):

Matt,

Jordan Walker ([01:28:51](#)):

I have a question for you. Are you good with postponing this until we have

Art Donnelly ([01:28:55](#)):

Absolutely. Okay. Yeah, that's kind of what we,

Vanessa West ([01:28:58](#)):

And we actively, I'm good with that. Then actively work on it and I'll try to put some ideas together and maybe we could even kind of work together on one of our meetings.

Matt Ferkey ([01:29:08](#)):

So one of the things that was discussed in the letter that I sent out was things like either yesterday or day before we had a chlorine test just flat out failed. One of the pouches just failed. It didn't react at all. And so whereas a larger district might have a second employee that's already on duty for that there, and that leaves two things. That leaves the one operator saying, okay, what do I do? And then the other operator has to be involved. And so with only two operators, that's all you've got. So actually I think coverage for time off well, and that's it. I think I worked Saturday and Sunday and Monday and then I will go back and work rest of the week until next Saturday to avoid, and it was minimal stuff. I had to do a locate yesterday because it was past due, but with the holidays I figured, okay, I could go past due. There's another locate that I flat out didn't do, but it was with reason. There's a certain human need involved. That was probably brought up earlier and it's the locators request. Say no more. Yeah, it was 100% within private property. That's a problem where no water district line should be, and the water district lines that do exist are actually sticking out of the ground or have casings around 'em. So any damage to Mapleton water district lines based on that locate not being done would be pure negligence.

Matt Ferkey ([01:30:52](#)):

Okay.

Jordan Walker ([01:30:54](#)):

Yeah, I think if probably in this case, if maybe Matt and Vanessa communicate with stuff and then Vanessa presents it to

Matt Ferkey ([01:31:06](#)):

The board, I think that would be really good. I would really like to see that happen.

Vanessa West ([01:31:11](#)):

So we've got some work, so yeah, we need to come up with that, but we also need, the evaluations needs to be there. Right. But yeah, but there's stepping stones and I think that we could make some stepping stones and I've got some ideas in mind for and that it needs to be decided. Yeah. Okay. Sounds like a plan. So we'll work on it, but not this week, next week because this week we're working on spending the casino money.

Matt Ferkey ([01:31:45](#)):

Sounds good to me. Which

Jordan Walker ([01:31:46](#)):

Is somewhat addressed in the next topic, or excuse me, agenda item.

Vanessa West ([01:31:52](#)):

Okay, so treasurer's report,

Jordan Walker ([01:32:00](#)):

So it's the final financial statement of the year. Those are extras.

Vanessa West ([01:32:09](#)):

Is there, I saved mine out, but I must have it home. We brought 12, almost 13,000 more dollars than we anticipated. There's

Art Donnelly ([01:32:19](#)):

Lots there.

Vanessa West ([01:32:21](#)):

Yeah. I grabbed two from

Jordan Walker ([01:32:23](#)):

Myself apparently

Art Donnelly ([01:32:24](#)):

As well. Did you want one of these or

Jordan Walker ([01:32:52](#)):

I will. So the only thing of note, I know Vanessa was concerned about our checking account balance. The \$100,000, almost a hundred thousand dollars was submitted the middle of last month and it should be here in

Art Donnelly ([01:33:06](#)):

Time.

Jordan Walker ([01:33:08](#)):

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We did receive the SIP grant funds at the end of last month, so that's included here, but there's \$94,000 that's pending from previous months. And then I will be submitting, because we got all of our engineering and contractor stuff for the plan, I'll be submitting another reimbursement request or draw this week.

Vanessa West (01:33:37):

Okay. Now we are a little broke until we get the 94,000. Right. Then we're back running again. Yes. For a minute. Yeah,

Jordan Walker (01:33:47):

We got everything covered. All the major expenses covered for this month.

Vanessa West (01:33:51):

Okay, good. So I think anybody don't require action.

Jordan Walker (01:33:58):

Well, we do accept the financial stake

Art Donnelly (01:34:04):

Or

Jordan Walker (01:34:06):

Traditionally,

Vanessa West (01:34:08):

So somebody want to

Jordan Walker (01:34:12):

Make a motion to accept the financial statement,

Sharon Kelly (01:34:17):

Make a motion, accept the financial statement for June 30th, 2024

Art Donnelly (01:34:27):

And I'll second Sharon's motion.

Vanessa West (01:34:29):

All in favor? All in favor. Next is billing report.

Art Donnelly (01:34:43):

Yes,

Vanessa West (01:34:43):

This would be in the packet.

Art Donnelly (01:34:44):

So which report?

Jordan Walker ([01:34:48](#)):

It's page 42. It's a billing report. So amount bill year over year. We're a little, we're less than one would expect given that we increased our fees. So our fees are about, I think I kind of forgot, we should be taking in about 4,000 or 8,000 more anyway. People are using less water as of last month, so it has been a little bit lower. Is

Matt Ferkey ([01:35:24](#)):

That due to people switching to wells or is

Jordan Walker ([01:35:27](#)):

It

Matt Ferkey ([01:35:28](#)):

Just on average?

Jordan Walker ([01:35:29](#)):

It's just on average. Another thing that could be happening is that it's just the billing cycle. I mean, we previously used to just read meters basically whenever we could, and then Kelsey would use the numbers, whereas we're doing it consistently on the 25th now, so that could monthly things in terms of collections. So month over month, past two past due total went down just \$200. Part of that was we got a \$1,000 account that paid late. Good job. So

Matt Ferkey ([01:36:24](#)):

Shutting off the water, they actually wanted pay. This is actually, it has an impact here.

Jordan Walker ([01:36:29](#)):

This was actually something separate. It wasn't our bigger accounts. It was just a paperwork error. In terms of the 90 days past due, we did get, which is I think is the more important kind of number because some people pay once every three months anyways, so that actually went down \$1,200, which is significant. And I sent out five shutoff notices last month, or actually a month prior. One paid their account in full or their past due. Now I should say three were actually shut off. One of those that were shut off paid their full past due amount. Two others or one other made a payment arrangement and a payment and then one made a payment arrangement. I need to follow up with them. And then one is still off. And they haven't used any water. They haven't used any

Matt Ferkey ([01:37:29](#)):

Water. Yeah. Do they have a Well, no, it's, they have a well, very specific address.

Jordan Walker ([01:37:38](#)):

If they did have a well, it would be an expensive well, which I don't think they would pay for. And that's all I have there.

Matt Ferkey ([01:37:47](#)):

It's an address where they probably don't love that they don't have water, but they probably have creative means to just bring in their own water or they don't care about having water.

ShirleyMarie Raven ([01:37:59](#)):

So the ones that were disconnected and paid and did blends, did that bring in a nice chunk of money

Matt Ferkey ([01:38:08](#)):

Or were they

Vanessa West ([01:38:09](#)):

Smaller balances?

Jordan Walker ([01:38:11](#)):

So there

Vanessa West ([01:38:11](#)):

Were thousands

Jordan Walker ([01:38:12](#)):

In terms of the past due amount that was about, so one account was close to a thousand dollars and then two others amounted to about \$500 in terms of bringing in past due amounts.

Vanessa West ([01:38:30](#)):

Okay. So that's pretty much the reduction in the overpass due

Jordan Walker ([01:38:35](#)):

Pretty much. We have people, like I said, pay every few months and they do make progress on past due amount.

Matt Ferkey ([01:38:45](#)):

I don't know if I'm up to date or not when they send the bill, if it comes with a late notice, I'm like, oh, I should probably pay that. Normally I get a picture of it from the post office and I pay it before I even get the bill in the mail. But it doesn't work with the new envelopes. It worked with the old postcards.

Vanessa West ([01:39:02](#)):

Oh, right.

Jordan Walker ([01:39:04](#)):

What doesn't work?

Matt Ferkey ([01:39:06](#)):

So the old postcards, the post office would take a picture of it as it was going through their machines and I would get a picture of it emailed and so I could pay it off of the email from post service. Now I actually have to basically open the envelope and look at it,



Vanessa West ([01:39:22](#)):

Email

Matt Ferkey ([01:39:22](#)):

You your bill. It's

Vanessa West ([01:39:23](#)):

Horrible.

Jordan Walker ([01:39:24](#)):

And then also I just want to know, we're probably not, I haven't really actually discussed this, Vanessa, but I don't think we're going to be shutting people off this month. He probably did send letters because only one of the three people I sent to actually received it by today. It was certified and I can't tell. And that person actually made a payment before they actually received it. So this month probably not going to do shut us, but next month.

Vanessa West ([01:39:49](#)):

Okay, good. Yeah, that's what I was going to ask you. And so I barely got that resolved

Matt Ferkey ([01:39:58](#)):

Related question. The house of Vanessa turned back on. Have you guys heard anything else from them about other issues or No? No. Cool. I was hoping that me turning off their water wouldn't piss them off.

Jordan Walker ([01:40:14](#)):

No, no. I mean when you give them so much warning, there's really nothing they can say.

Vanessa West ([01:40:23](#)):

They're actually nicer than have in the past. And when I turned it on, they were really good and then they gave me a hundred bucks last week to put on their bill, which I gave to Jordan to put on their daily and yeah, no, not bad. Yeah, they did it very well. Some risk management report. Looks like Jordan a really good job letting special districts know what we've been doing so they won't can us.

Art Donnelly ([01:40:54](#)):

So Jordan, I only have one question on that. Have we been getting any feedback from Troy Young or anybody else there?

Jordan Walker ([01:41:03](#)):

So he forwards all of our stuff to an underwriter, actually make the decision. He hasn't given us any negative, but he did quickly note that he liked the progress we made. I haven't heard anything negative and this report is actually very substantive when I started writing it. You don't realize how much goes on until you start writing it down. So I don't know. Do we have any, oh, one thing in the report is the maintenance for the tanks. That's kind of, that's a big project. Your hundred

Vanessa West ([01:41:46](#)):

50,000. We don't have the money. We just can't do

Jordan Walker ([01:41:48](#)):

It. Yeah. So I said that we're looking at the financing

Vanessa West ([01:41:53](#)):

And we can't do it. We'd love to do it. We can't do it. We leave a grant, we can,

Art Donnelly ([01:41:56](#)):

There's a couple of grant opportunities coming up that I would optimistically say we might be able to get funding to do that maintenance, but that operative word is the problem. Almost none of the grant tours want to fund routine maintenance. They will fund replacement. They will fund. They do not want to fund routine maintenance. Yeah,

Vanessa West ([01:42:24](#)):

They think it should have been taken care.

Art Donnelly ([01:42:26](#)):

Yeah. So it is difficult. There's one in particular though that I'd like to look at harder and see if there's, but what I'm going to need here soon is some figure,

Vanessa West ([01:42:41](#)):

Would it make sense to replace? No.

Art Donnelly ([01:42:44](#)):

No.

Jordan Walker ([01:42:45](#)):

Okay. What if we just knocked it down and asked for a

Art Donnelly ([01:42:47](#)):

Replace? I'll tell you what boy Matt, well know

Vanessa West ([01:42:52](#)):

3 million, two or 3 million instead of 250,000.

Art Donnelly ([01:42:57](#)):

Okay. Because then we have half the reserve that we've got right now where we actually need more than what we've got

Matt Ferkey ([01:43:03](#)):

Right now. So right now I try and stay above 80% of all times. If I turn this time of year, if I turn the skid off for 24 hours, we probably drop 15%. Basically I look at the last half of the tank as nonexistent. That's stay out of that zone. Absolutely. We're going to have an issue here when they want to do the tracer study because they will want to be able to produce at the maximum flow of our skid, which is 140 gallons per minute, which we can't do with the head pressure that we have. So

Vanessa West (01:43:43):

We'll see. I can play with it. But yeah, I think that we really are making some good progress and I feel like we're a lot less risky risk.

Art Donnelly (01:43:58):

Oh, I do too, for sure.

Vanessa West (01:44:01):

On several different directions.

Art Donnelly (01:44:03):

Yeah, 67% lost. The system is still puts us in a vulnerable position.

Matt Ferkey (01:44:09):

Absolutely.

Vanessa West (01:44:11):

Very much plant system update. That would be So that's the current, your daily operations plan update.

Art Donnelly (01:44:21):

Now can you just give us a real brief explanation of for instance, this last boil notice what's behind that and

Matt Ferkey (01:44:31):

The last boil notice or the last public notice?

Art Donnelly (01:44:35):

Well, public notice, I guess is a better way

Matt Ferkey (01:44:37):

To put it

Vanessa West (01:44:38):

Because our boil notice we have one on Thursday for just an area because there was a leak.

Matt Ferkey (01:44:42):

So some of the

Art Donnelly (01:44:43):

Public notice is really what I meant.

Matt Ferkey (01:44:45):

Some of the public notices we're going to get, and this is one that's unfortunate, is just not having the knowledge of order of operations of what causes what. So today I'm actually going to be going up and

checking on the plant when we're done with this meeting. Technically chlorine is bad for humans. Okay? It's bad for humans, so you want to run the least amount that you can. Also, running less chlorine is not less effective to a certain point other than contact time. Because of our water treatment plant, because of how our distribution system is set up, we don't have a lot of contact time. A lot of water systems store their clean water in a huge tank. Well, our huge tank is on the wrong side of town, so it doesn't count. So one of the last ones that we had was equipment failure.

Matt Ferkey ([01:45:49](#)):

I had already ordered the equipment. I had already requested that the board ordered the approved ordering the equipment. It was already on its way when I was bathing it and babysitting it and in the middle of the night it said, nope, I'm done. And we actually still continued. I came back and I even enhanced my procedures of every time anybody goes near or even including myself, you go push the bubbles through the system and flush them and make sure that it's not. So that one was that. Another one was we must maintain 0.2 parts per million residual chlorine. Well that kind of counteracts with contact time. One of them that is going to go out due by default is the skid was off for 12 hours. I took a chlorine test. Well, technically that chlorine had 12 hours of contact time. That water had 12 hours of contact time and the new stuff coming in would've had much more and it would've been higher concentration because it dropped due to contact time.

Matt Ferkey ([01:46:59](#)):

We now have new procedures that you don't do a chlorine test unless you've been in production for 90 minutes and today today's chlorine test was a low number when it shouldn't have been Saturday's. Chlorine was 0.02, which would've been a double violation. Tasia contacted me, we went in and we verified via couple things that it was a complete failed test, a fresh test went right back on our same average that we've been running. But little things like that are going to cause things like that. And then the other one is just not knowing that, hey, you probably should not test unless you've been in production for 90 minutes.

Art Donnelly ([01:47:40](#)):

So educate me a little bit that reservoir, that below ground reservoir, I'm going to say behind the treatment plant and everything, what's the capacity of that

Matt Ferkey ([01:47:51](#)):

Tank? 15,800 gallons.

Art Donnelly ([01:47:53](#)):

It's smaller than I thought then. So if we had a larger reservoir playing that role, that would be quite advantageous to us then.

Matt Ferkey ([01:48:03](#)):

So if,

Art Donnelly ([01:48:04](#)):

Is that called a Clearwater Reservoir?

Matt Ferkey ([01:48:06](#)):

So it's referred to as a contact chamber or a clear Well, and a clear well is a filter source tank. Right? A contact chamber is a smaller, just that it's simply for contact time. So the contact chamber is internally baffled to make sure that there's no short circuiting. So it goes through and it is almost like 15,000 gallons of pipe.

Art Donnelly ([01:48:35](#)):

Yeah, okay. I can kind of picture

Matt Ferkey ([01:48:37](#)):

And the goal is, is to make sure that you get that the most contact time, A lot of contact chambers, they have what's called baffling factor. Ours is above average and that's what allows us to stay in operation while maintaining 0.5 parts per million chlorine residual. Otherwise, we would probably have to be running more, running 1.5 and maintaining 1.5 to keep that contact time appropriate.

Art Donnelly ([01:49:09](#)):

So you know that we own another small chunk of property adjacent south of than adjacent to Yes. The treatment plant lease. Yes. And everything. Do you think that it is at all credible that an additional tank could be put there?

Matt Ferkey ([01:49:31](#)):

The only reason that I would add more would be as if there was a way to have 160 gallons. Any project less than that would be

Art Donnelly ([01:49:46](#)):

The 160,

Matt Ferkey ([01:49:48](#)):

160,000. Yeah, sorry.

Art Donnelly ([01:49:51](#)):

Okay. So I can't even imagine putting that on that.

Matt Ferkey ([01:49:54](#)):

Yeah, so anything other than

Art Donnelly ([01:49:56](#)):

That triangle basically.

Matt Ferkey ([01:49:58](#)):

Yeah. Anything other than that? Realistically just maintaining the higher required chlorine residual and having the employees trained to really know what they're basing that off of Jordan is or has created a chart based off of another chart that meets our requirements possibly. I need to discuss that with you, but what we're currently using and using for compliance, if the operators had access to that and some knowledge of the effects of pH temperature and our contact time, that would help avoid those. If we had a second pump, a second dosing pump and they were both providing half of our chlorine a required chlorine, if one of them had an issue but the other one didn't and we maintained a chlorine level, say 0.8,

we would still be at 0.4. Even if one of those failed, that would help. It's probably \$1,500 with our current system, our new skid, the new skid, we'll measure the chlorine going in, the chlorine coming out and it will have control over stopping the skid if it's not within the parameter. So the new skid will do a lot for that right there. The new skid should have the means to stop the skid if any of the compliance violations we've had occur. Yeah.

Art Donnelly ([01:51:42](#)):

Well good. I mean basically I feel a lot more confident in saying what I've been saying to a couple of people from Sherry, for instance, from Val's office. You don't query me about what's going on. And I say, Hey, it's nothing that's footner community in danger. No. This is more of a function of the skid that we've got right now and when the new treatment plant's done, we should largely solve these problems.

Matt Ferkey ([01:52:06](#)):

So something that I will say to anyone and everyone, small water districts, our water is cleaner and safer than a lot that I've seen based on the fact that we're running ultra filtration. We get 99.9% of everything out just by our filters, and then we do sanitize. Now, when that pump failed, we were not sanitizing, but there was still a residual in the lines during that.

Art Donnelly ([01:52:37](#)):

That's kind of what I figured too.

Matt Ferkey ([01:52:39](#)):

We'd

Art Donnelly ([01:52:40](#)):

Already have in the tank for instance, or the tanks.

Matt Ferkey ([01:52:44](#)):

And when we noticed that happened, we did back flush some of the low chlorine water onto the ground, actually technically to our lagoon, and it was low chlorine water and that's why we did it. So we back flushed some. So there was very little non-ST sanitized water that made it to our system with all of that. The previous notices, violations that we got were for pH. If you look at our pH numbers now compared to the pH numbers, then the pH numbers now with calibrated equipment, it's stable. It's running seven point. What's the lowest you think you've seen? 7.67. Isn't that also because it's a function of segmentation. So we have more problems with pH in the winter when we've got more organic matter in the raw water and that, I don't

Vanessa West ([01:53:36](#)):

Know, the pH meters, we just come on. It's creek water. Our pH is great. We've never had any, it is just that the pH meters were even calibrated. Were toast. That's all it was.

Matt Ferkey ([01:53:46](#)):

I have been told

Vanessa West ([01:53:49](#)):

Faulty equipment, faulty equipment and the previous, I don't trust a lot of all the previous tests. So who knows how long this equipment test been malfunctioning.

Matt Ferkey ([01:54:01](#)):

I pulled data logs off of the skit. If you compare those data logs, the information that coincides with our required logs that we keep track of, a lot of information on historical handwritten logs were wrong. It was just incorrect information. So who knows what was going on prior to nothing. We can make some guesses at it. Yeah,

Vanessa West ([01:54:31](#)):

I just don't trust any of the data that I had. I'm being

Matt Ferkey ([01:54:33](#)):

Very careful with my words, but since got, we were all reading between the lines since we got calibrated equipment, our pH has been great. Now we will not know until we get into winter what that effect is. The new skid will have equipment to correct pH. The new skid has that capability and we'll do that automatically. It will correct our pH if it needs it.

Vanessa West ([01:54:57](#)):

So we don't really need to spend Sure. We keep on getting these stupid letters. We got to mail out, but how much do we want to spend? We

Matt Ferkey ([01:55:05](#)):

Don't. No. I mean,

Vanessa West ([01:55:07](#)):

While we're waiting for another just few months for our skid to be here.

Matt Ferkey ([01:55:12](#)):

We're not putting anybody in danger. No, I am going to, when I leave the ski, the tanks are full. They're probably at 99.9% capacity right now. I'm going to go up there and I am going to check on the water treatment plant and make sure everything, because the chlorine numbers did lower a little bit. Now that could be water temperature, that could be organics in the water that's interacting with the chlorine. But I'm definitely going to check on that so that tomorrow when we do our compliance testing, we are compliant.

Vanessa West ([01:55:42](#)):

Okay, and when are you guys going to be taking in the samples for,

Matt Ferkey ([01:55:47](#)):

I was going to discuss that either tomorrow or Thursday during our meeting.

Jordan Walker ([01:55:54](#)):

Which samples are you talking about? The boil notice?

Vanessa West ([01:55:58](#)):

Yeah, the boil notices need to be ASAP. I know my daughter's taking my granddaughter to camp all week, so she's actually going to Eugene daily.

Matt Ferkey (01:56:09):

There's actually a slight possibility that a LG will be in town

Vanessa West (01:56:13):

Wednesdays.

Matt Ferkey (01:56:14):

Yeah,

Vanessa West (01:56:15):

A LG does come in town, I think Wednesdays and we've got to have it ready at like eight though.

Matt Ferkey (01:56:21):

I don't know if it's every other Wednesday or if it's every Wednesday. The first and the third Wednesday

Vanessa West (01:56:29):

And this is the second. But we can't wait that long to get people off by the

Matt Ferkey (01:56:32):

Water. No, I was going to bring it up at the employee meeting and possibly do it on Thursday, but if we want to do it sooner, I will and then we'll just do our compliant.

Vanessa West (01:56:42):

Then people would go, we wouldn't get our results back until Monday and that's not very acceptable. I wouldn't

Matt Ferkey (01:56:48):

Think. Okay. Then maybe I will

Jordan Walker (01:56:51):

Plan on it

Matt Ferkey (01:56:51):

Tomorrow. Yeah, I'll come in and talk with Jordan tomorrow.

Vanessa West (01:56:54):

I mean, I don't know. What do you guys think? I mean, I think

Matt Ferkey (01:56:56):

I'll come in and talk with Jordan tomorrow morning. We'll play. Are you in tomorrow morning? Yep. Okay.



Vanessa West (01:57:03):

That brings up a question. How come you're in tomorrow morning?

Jordan Walker (01:57:09):

Just stuff.

Vanessa West (01:57:13):

And I could even actually go, I could just go. I could go and pick up my granddaughter from camp camping, go and drop it off

Jordan Walker (01:57:19):

As long as it's there before it's

Vanessa West (01:57:22):

Four. Yeah. So I could actually drive it tomorrow over. Okay.

Matt Ferkey (01:57:28):

Yeah. What time do you think you'll be driving?

Vanessa West (01:57:31):

I think she gets done with camp at three or four. So I would be going prior that I would do the afternoon shift. Okay. So yeah, I could do that and my daughter wouldn't have to go back out for a second time.

Matt Ferkey (01:57:41):

Okay. I'll work with Jordan now. I'll work with Jordan tomorrow.

Vanessa West (01:57:47):

Okay. We'll get this, figure it out. And if it needs to be changed to Wednesday for some reason, I can do Wednesday. Let me know.

Jordan Walker (01:57:56):

Is there anything else that you want to talk about on this list? You don't or does anybody else have any questions?

Vanessa West (01:58:03):

Step update,

Matt Ferkey (01:58:08):

Operat I, operations, distribution violations, maple Avenue leak testing, leak detection, equipment operations, manual. I am working on an operations manual. I mean, realistically what it is, it has no pictures. It has words and we updated things like, hey, if you get an odd test, test again and little things. I do believe that it says don't test unless you've been in production for 90 minutes. Yeah, I think it does.

Vanessa West (01:58:37):

And that was tough. If you get a weird number test again, that was a little difficult for you. Well, because in some places it says if you test, you have to write that you've got to go to the lowest number you did. Well, what if you decided for five to take a hundred tests and one of 'em was way down here and the other ones were up here. You don't,

Matt Ferkey ([01:58:57](#)):

And this would be the thing is you need to retest immediately or within reasonable timeframe. Because right now, if I go up there, if I go up there and test right now, the chlorine better be higher because the chlorine was turned up. So yeah. Okay.

Vanessa West ([01:59:16](#)):

And everything else is

Matt Ferkey ([01:59:20](#)):

Moving

Vanessa West ([01:59:21](#)):

For our treatment plant that we have right now that's moving along.

Matt Ferkey ([01:59:25](#)):

Yeah, everything is good. And we are, I'm learning honestly, the testing. The testing is one that I have to learn a lot. And something that's weird for me is knocking on someone's door. That's an odd one for me. The other one is water. The other one is well, and especially I'm also the guy that has to walk inside their gates, turn off their water. If they don't, hey, so I'm the good guy, the bad guy, the other guy. The thing is, some of the testing I ask Oregon Health Authority, Hey, you want me to have this call form sampling plan? How do I do this? Well, here's the paperwork. I'm like, well, it doesn't tell me how to do it. And I'm running into a lot of that.

Art Donnelly ([02:00:11](#)):

Finding the Teresa is helpful and enough or do you feel like, because I know Dave's had health issues recently that have probably interfered you not getting what

Matt Ferkey ([02:00:22](#)):

You need. There are a lot of things I have found when I ask him. He says, I'll look into that. And I said, well, if you don't know, I'll look into it. And there are a lot of things that he says, I'll look into it and I respond. Well, if you don't know the answer, I'll look into it. Who's he? Dave, our DRC. So I think things have changed a lot in water treatment over the last, I'd say things have changed a lot in water treatment over the last year, the last five years. In the last 10 years exponentially. So I mean, the requirements of what you have to do have changed a lot. The fact that Reed's pork can still get away with having five NTU water in distribution is insane. We run, oh, we're running 0.015 right now. We are running clear water. Five NTU water. You cannot see through a gallon jut of water. That's gross. Our dirty water, our raw water

Vanessa West ([02:01:36](#)):

Is only about 2.3 even when

Matt Ferkey ([02:01:38](#)):

It's not great. I drink straight from that street. No problem. Exactly. I like the filters and I like knowing that I'm not drinking live bugs.

Vanessa West ([02:01:50](#)):

I'm moving on to new update. We're just waiting for the building permit. We got the Waco unit there thanks to Matt. Really? Dan or guy or what's our, it's not Dan Tim from Bode Construction. He's ready to get his run shoes on as soon as the permits go through. We anticipate them in the next week and a half, two weeks, but he might be able to maybe start a week before that if he gets kind of a more firm date. But there's really, that's super exciting. Some jobs, he could start without having a building permit, but 90% of his job is on the building that needs the building permit. There's not much he can really do without the building permit.

Matt Ferkey ([02:02:33](#)):

Did we determine who pays for the building permit?

Vanessa West ([02:02:36](#)):

Yes. They'll need it and they did it. Okay. Yep. So really, I did send an email, email asking for an update when our building permit should go through, but I anticipated it'll be a week and a half or two. So Bode, I would imagine it's going to have boots on the ground in the next week and a half,

Matt Ferkey ([02:02:54](#)):

Or I know he had concerns about bringing his equipment and stuff up there to start on non building permit without having the permits. It wouldn't make sense. Yeah. Yeah. Even has the liability of that and no moving forward. Yeah, I wouldn't do it if I was a

Vanessa West ([02:03:08](#)):

Contract and there's not much. Yeah, there's not much. It's not permitted that he's can do, but yeah. So it's getting there. Where's the lamp? Huh? Where's the front? Still in Colorado because we don't want it until the building's ready. Right. But it'll get delivered whenever we're We'll have it delivered

Matt Ferkey ([02:03:27](#)):

When it's ready. Where did you state the lacoss is? The Lacoss is at the site. Oh, it's up there already.

Vanessa West ([02:03:33](#)):

Yeah. Nothing to help. So

Matt Ferkey ([02:03:35](#)):

I had to make a trip to Eugene with my truck and trailer. We were due for our coliform samples and so I just did the triangle and made it happen. So

Vanessa West ([02:03:51](#)):

We got that there. That's exciting. So in the next couple of weeks we're going to get started guys.

Matt Ferkey ([02:03:56](#)):

Things

Vanessa West ([02:03:57](#)):

Are happening.

Matt Ferkey ([02:03:58](#)):

And we also found on location, the valves needed to install the laco that weren't six months out. It's funny because Tim came up to the site and we looked for valves and then I'm like, those valves, look. Hey, those are the right valves. Why didn't we? And they were sitting in plain sight too. Yeah. Good.

Vanessa West ([02:04:18](#)):

So we're getting ready to get moving. Grant committee, you haven't been doing much, right?

Matt Ferkey ([02:04:29](#)):

No. What's most

Vanessa West ([02:04:29](#)):

Sitting back drinking wine.

Matt Ferkey ([02:04:31](#)):

Yeah. The most time consuming bullshit, but we're good

Art Donnelly ([02:04:36](#)):

Now is the FEMA brick grant. So with all the headaches, I'm sure we have jumped through all the hoops. We have successfully given all the answers and all of the clarification that FEMA requested that's been transmitted to OEM through Lane County. We've had innumerable meetings about it and good that we have Rachel at OEM who is basically our, they call it an interlocutor between Lane County is a sub applicant and us as a sub applicant says that we're good. So like I said in here, now we wait. We don't have any idea how along that period is because what we just did now goes into a file on somebody's desk in Washington DC Yeah, six to eight months. So once they get to that, look it over and decide they now have more questions, they'll get back to us. We don't have any kind of an idea right now of where we are time-wise, when we do have a very firm idea is that we have now cleared a hurdle.

Art Donnelly ([02:06:03](#)):

That means that this money is still ours. This money is still ours and we're still on track to get it. That's good. EPA, really, we're in the same situation there. I mean, if we drug our feet, we drug our feet and drug our feet, as I said, yes, the opportunity to put age out, we're not going to do that. That's not going to happen. So we have taken a small pause on the next two steps, one of which was the RFQ. It's not hurting us at all. We have had a little bit of a slowdown on a more time consuming step. Our next step is we have to create a work plan. We have to also have a schedule put together and we have to have a justified estimated budget put together. All of that's going to require quite a bit of input from the engineers at this point. We've got an engineer doing a master study for us, master plan for us who says that providing that kind of information to us is within the scope of the master plan. Thank God. So we didn't have to hire anybody to get that done.

Art Donnelly ([02:07:21](#)):

He's on vacation. But also too, we wanted to make sure that we had time to verify what was actually in the ground of Orford pipe. So we've taken that step. So we're good. We're good. It is important to understand that once we get the work plan with a schedule and budget put together, that's not an

immediate go to the next step, start hiring a contractor. We actually have to go through what's called an intergovernmental review process. So the intergovernmental review process means that we submit all that paperwork both to the EPA and to Lane County. They have six months to review it. Six months. I don't think it's going to take 'em that long, but Lane County would actually have six months if they are buried. Yeah, it could take 'em months. I don't think. This is why we're not going to be doing any breaking up ground.

Art Donnelly ([02:08:24](#)):

We're putting in a new pipe until 2025. But that's to be expected. It's not going to slow us down that much. We've got a lot of other stuff going on right now. I, again, you guys probably already scanned this. This is the Oregon Department of Human Services Resilience hubs. Grants is a wonderful opportunity. The people in that office who were at the head of that grant process, encouraged everybody to put in multiple applications to increase your likelihood of getting at least one grant. We took that opportunity and we put in the three one per truck, one for basically a portable, it's like a little tiny portable skid water bottle filling tank, and it doesn't sound like much, but this is important, but 12 pallets of bottled water, 12 pallets, a bottle of water is an important thing to have stored someplace in the school. That said that we could store it up there. That's 15,000 if one of those comes through. Supposedly the bonus that you get is Oregon Department of Human Services will provide you with grant writing assistance. That's very poorly defined. Very poorly defined, but hey, I'm going to get, it's something. We also have an outstanding \$40,000 Community Foundation. Thank you. Operating funds Grant, 40,000 right now would be a great thing to get because that is an open check. We can use it for anything that we need to use it for operating fund wise.

Vanessa West ([02:10:12](#)):

I just saw an email that said that it's time, it's about time to the next one's open, but we can't apply for this one if we want that one.

Art Donnelly ([02:10:21](#)):

Actually, they're dragging their feet and I would anticipate that they're dragging their feet for exactly the same reason that ODHS is. ODHS received 700 applicants for applications. I would bet you that Oregon Community Foundation got equally flooded this year with applications.

Vanessa West ([02:10:41](#)):

If we don't get that one, we need to write this one.

Art Donnelly ([02:10:43](#)):

Right, but they actually have not published that new one yet.

Vanessa West ([02:10:46](#)):

I just got an email. I'll look and see. I think

Art Donnelly ([02:10:48](#)):

It just opened. Okay, because I'm on that mailing list.

Vanessa West ([02:10:51](#)):

I think the office was on it. I don't think I got it. I think the office got it info right here and it just opened up. It came to our office June 24th.

Art Donnelly ([02:11:07](#)):

I'm kind of irked that I didn't receive that because like I said, I'm on their mail

Vanessa West ([02:11:10](#)):

List June 24th through June 23rd. So I'm thinking that we must not have

Art Donnelly ([02:11:15](#)):

June 24th through the 23rd. That isn't

Vanessa West ([02:11:19](#)):

Community grants program. Fall cycle is June 24th through July 23rd.

Art Donnelly ([02:11:24](#)):

Oh, July 23rd. July 23rd. That's very,

Vanessa West ([02:11:28](#)):

I'm thinking that we might, they just didn't give us a response, but I'm thinking we might not have gotten the other, so we need to apply for this one, which has be a project. Can't just be open-ended. Right. I know.

Art Donnelly ([02:11:38](#)):

I mean, I'm very familiar with what it's supposed to be.

Vanessa West ([02:11:41](#)):

Well, I know. I was letting these people know that we don't the first one, so we need to apply for this one.

Art Donnelly ([02:11:45](#)):

Wow. That gives us three weeks. Yeah, that's bullshit, but okay,

Vanessa West ([02:11:50](#)):

So it's worth to check it into. Yeah. But yeah, I'll send what Jordan,

Art Donnelly ([02:11:55](#)):

I think that may have been sent to our old email and forwarded to

Vanessa West ([02:11:59](#)):

Him. Yeah, it was sent to Mapleton and H2O district grant that we

ShirleyMarie Raven ([02:12:02](#)):

Were getting for the slide and stuff. Is

Art Donnelly ([02:12:05](#)):

That, I have no idea.

ShirleyMarie Raven (02:12:06):

Is that, that's not one of these, is it? No, it's a

Art Donnelly (02:12:09):

Different one. Vanessa's been handling all of that. I am completely out of the loop on that. You're out of

ShirleyMarie Raven (02:12:14):

That one. Okay.

Vanessa West (02:12:16):

Okay. I just forwarded what was sent to the old district email. Yeah.

ShirleyMarie Raven (02:12:23):

So Vanessa, what's happening with the emergency grant?

Vanessa West (02:12:27):

I did just get an update last week stating that they're waiting to see something to get the reports back about the archeologists and the birds, but

ShirleyMarie Raven (02:12:38):

We've submitted the reports that they wanted or are we

Vanessa West (02:12:41):

Waiting to get, we submitted everything that we needed. What we're waiting for is the archeologist and the person that did the habitat for Fish and Wildlife for them to finish their reports.

ShirleyMarie Raven (02:12:52):

So that's not on us. That's on

Vanessa West (02:12:54):

The government agencies that were having to pay the archeologists and the Fish and Wildlife to do. Matt and I met both 'em up there. They were there at the same time. They were great. They were like, yes, this is really good. It seems the habitat's not going to be here. They're going to be over there, so this looks good. Archeologists, everything did a walkthrough. Everything looked good. Then they said, just give us two or three hours to do more testing. But they didn't see any red flags, so they just

ShirleyMarie Raven (02:13:17):

Need to write reports and get those

Vanessa West (02:13:18):

Submitted and Yes, and they would've started several months ago had they got hired several months ago, but they really just didn't get you to get the job until two months ago.

Matt Ferkey (02:13:28):

And I feel like they were both very sympathetic of our

Matt Ferkey (02:13:30):

Condition of our source. So hopefully

Vanessa West (02:13:35):

That helps. So I don't see any roadblocks with them. They seem very, very, we walked through the whole, did a quick, and they were like, yeah, this looks shouldn't happen, so no worries. But yeah, we're still waiting for that report and then those reports get sent to be reviewed by a couple other sources. So we're still months out. I would imagine we should have that in the next month and then, I mean as far as money months out. Oh yeah, yeah, yeah. Emergency means instead of it taking five years to get the money, you're lucky if you get it to two or two and a half. Yes. That's what emergency means to government. That's an emergency. Yeah. So emergency committee, nothing's really going on there where I know that RCAC is supposed to be working on putting together maybe getting a few of us together to kind of put together a good emergency plan that hasn't been done quite yet. I would like to find out from Lane County Emergency Management or about their system on how we can be on there. There's an outage. How do we narrow it down and tell 'em what area and whatnot? Have you contacted someone from that to find that

Jordan Walker (02:14:52):

Out? I did contact someone last week, but that was just before Independence Day. That's on my list.

Vanessa West (02:14:57):

Okay. So Jordan's going to check into a little bit more of that, but other than that, there's really not nothing that's been going on, but it would be really nice to be able to figure out, I know we checked into it like a year and a half ago that they were just updating their system. So they're like, there's no point in getting on it when it's going to be something different in six months. And so now that it's there and it's supposed to be easy finance committee, I don't think there's anything, we had

ShirleyMarie Raven (02:15:28):

Treasures reports,

Vanessa West (02:15:29):

Operations committee. I think everything's been going smoothly. I mean, we're just going to get leaks and leaks and more leaks and more leaks as our system just gets older and older and older. But that's the way it is. We'll just keep moving forwards and knock them down.

Matt Ferkey (02:15:46):

Question

Jordan Walker (02:15:46):

For you and Matt, those violations that we're supposed to notify the public about, those are new, right? Those weren't because I checked at the end of the month and those

Matt Ferkey (02:15:55):

Weren't there. Those just showed up. Okay. And that's based, what's weird is that is based on our, that's the two issues that we had in May, and I'm guessing that it just finally got to, the way Amy put it is



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Vanessa West ([02:16:10](#)):

The top of the list.

Matt Ferkey ([02:16:12](#)):

Well, so Amy is the paperwork person, but Amy called them something.

Jordan Walker ([02:16:20](#)):

It's the DHMP something or another.

Matt Ferkey ([02:16:23](#)):

Yeah, there's a separate people that read the notes at the bottom of the thing and say it doesn't matter. They're violations. And those are due to be posted by the 12th of August. Of August,

Vanessa West ([02:16:39](#)):

And we just got 'em.

Matt Ferkey ([02:16:42](#)):

Well, this is July, so that's plenty of time. Oh,

Vanessa West ([02:16:46](#)):

Okay. I was thinking it was August.

Matt Ferkey ([02:16:47](#)):

So we can put 'em in the end next month still.

Vanessa West ([02:16:50](#)):

It feels like August. I mean, it's normally not this hot until July. Okay. So you guys can work on that Administration committee, anything?

Matt Ferkey ([02:17:01](#)):

That would be me. I had one question for art, for keeping track, did we have a form for volunteer hours that you were using

Art Donnelly ([02:17:08](#)):

Earlier in 2023? I downloaded one from the state. I've got, and I could find that. Again, everybody found it cumbersome to use. So we never ended

Vanessa West ([02:17:20](#)):

Up using, and I think I might have the copies of what you found, but I would like to know exactly what do we need for volunteer hours, because I filled out, I think the ones you're talking about, and for last month, which I didn't give to Jordan yet, but I filled it out for last month. But I have all of 20, 20 threes hours and there's a lot of hours in there, and I only wrote down the hours that I could prove going off all of my Zoom calls, which still was a lot of hours for 2023. Do I have to know the hours? Exactly. I was there. I went through and I have a whole booklet that has all the calendar on it and then exactly Zoom

meeting with Rob Woodard, fema, Alexandra called Dave. I mean, I have some pretty good and then six hours.

Art Donnelly ([02:18:14](#)):

Well, you're doing better than I was. All I've been doing is jotting down. I mean, the day and the hours.

Vanessa West ([02:18:19](#)):

I don't know that if we're going to write down the hours, we need to be able to make sure we can use them. So we need to know what is necessary so we can use them. Or is that worthless? I believe

Art Donnelly ([02:18:32](#)):

That those forms actually required us to have

Vanessa West ([02:18:35](#)):

The time

Art Donnelly ([02:18:37](#)):

Hour and then what the hours are for.

Vanessa West ([02:18:39](#)):

But at least what the hours are for. Yes, but I need to know if it's mandatory or not to know the time because I can go back.

Art Donnelly ([02:18:45](#)):

No, I don't recall that at all. Think so? I wouldn't think so. And I can't imagine who,

Vanessa West ([02:18:52](#)):

But it does needed to say what it's they were doing.

Art Donnelly ([02:18:55](#)):

Which agency or organization have enough manpower to send them in?

Vanessa West ([02:18:59](#)):

So I think we need to find out more information.

Art Donnelly ([02:19:02](#)):

Send 'em into where, see, the thing is that usually this whole thing about volunteer hours only becomes relevant

Vanessa West ([02:19:10](#)):

For grants

Art Donnelly ([02:19:11](#)):

For not just for grants writ large, but specifically for foundation grants. Because for instance, EPA, sorry, but they don't come volunteer hours. fema. I mean,

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Vanessa West ([02:19:25](#)):

I'm sure FEMA does and it's 25 bucks an hour,

Art Donnelly ([02:19:29](#)):

But I don't see anywhere

Vanessa West ([02:19:31](#)):

That you get a benefit. Our 10% price match could be the \$200,000 that we need for.

Art Donnelly ([02:19:37](#)):

There's an awful lot about, this was my problem and Kevin's about the whole FEMA brick project I had, as I had told you guys, when I was trying to go through all that information July through September, so little information that I could find on the FEMA brick grants of the three of them, I was clueless. I was really, really clueless. This is why I had no idea until we were informed by Rachel or you guys were informed by Rachel in that meeting that I missed that this was an allocation. This was an open competition grant. This was an allocation. It had already been allocated just like the EPA. No idea. Didn't have a clue. Did not have a clue. So also have no idea how volunteer hours played into that, if that was already something that we used previously.

Vanessa West ([02:20:39](#)):

We didn't use any volunteer hours in there, but we could have. And we could have because that could have accounted for our 10% price match. So it really can help and it does look good, but I just want to make sure

Art Donnelly ([02:20:54](#)):

That we need to be documenting

Vanessa West ([02:20:55](#)):

It. We want to document it correctly so that they count.

Jordan Walker ([02:21:00](#)):

I think that the subject and the date.

Art Donnelly ([02:21:06](#)):

The

Vanessa West ([02:21:06](#)):

Date and the number of

Art Donnelly ([02:21:07](#)):

Hours of what you were doing.

Vanessa West ([02:21:09](#)):

Yeah, I

Art Donnelly ([02:21:09](#)):

Think,

Jordan Walker ([02:21:10](#)):

I can't imagine they're going to,

Vanessa West ([02:21:11](#)):

I'll ask Rob, or maybe we can ask her in our next

Art Donnelly ([02:21:14](#)):

Big meeting. Again, if I go back to where I got those S forms from in 2023, which I think I found those in the summer of 2023 and suggested that we use them and we just didn't. All of us were so busy.

Vanessa West ([02:21:28](#)):

I'll tell you what I have, I don't like 'em much. Yeah, there's only eight slots there anyways, but by June I needed three.

Art Donnelly ([02:21:39](#)):

But anyway, like I said, I can share that with you and you can see if you can find other information.

Vanessa West ([02:21:45](#)):

So I just want us to do it, but I want us to do it properly so that we can use them. Why waste our time together?

Art Donnelly ([02:21:53](#)):

I'm a really good creative writer and I know basically what I was doing, I could go ahead and plug tasks into those hours

Vanessa West ([02:22:04](#)):

If necessary.

Art Donnelly ([02:22:06](#)):

Going back to last year to do it. No way

Vanessa West ([02:22:09](#)):

I can because I actually have it in a book. So I mean, we might as well use those hundreds of hours at \$25 an hour.

Jordan Walker ([02:22:21](#)):

Alright. And administrative reports. Upcoming projects, cross connection testing, that's something I might need. Tassie's help a little bit in terms of locating the backflow devices. And I hope to get those out the end of this week. The letters, one question I have is that do we, there's an issue of cost. Do we want to absorb, do we want to set a price like what they can expect to pay? Or do we want to set an upper limit in terms of the backflow fee

Vanessa West (02:22:56):

Under a hundred dollars or something? Under limit?

Jordan Walker (02:22:59):

At what point? At what point? The district will just cover the class. We don't have a regular backflow tester from previous. David's. Laurel Bay used to do it before that Terry was certified to do it or gu. So we're kind of flying blind.

Vanessa West (02:23:17):

There is a lady in Florence. Do you have her phone number?

Jordan Walker (02:23:21):

She's on the state website. They're all, you have to be certified. So yeah, that was one question I had because

Vanessa West (02:23:30):

But ask her. She said it's usually so much, but if she can do six to eight in a day, then she can do a cheaper price. Ask her if she can do six in

Jordan Walker (02:23:38):

A day. I'll do it not to exceed.

Vanessa West (02:23:39):

I'm thinking of not to exceed a hundred, but verify with her that it might be not to exceed 1 25. Who knows what the going rate is now.

Jordan Walker (02:23:48):

And then customers will have an option to find their own too. So it's probably not

Art Donnelly (02:23:54):

And save all that information because it will go into our customer policy.

Jordan Walker (02:23:59):

Is this required annually? Yes. This is the first time we've done it

Vanessa West (02:24:03):

In three years.

Jordan Walker (02:24:04):

I think two years, I think Delta a couple years ago. Are

Vanessa West (02:24:11):

You sure?

Jordan Walker (02:24:12):

I think so. I think it's two years. I

Vanessa West (02:24:14):

Don't think it's been done since 2020 or 20 20, 20 21. We're

Jordan Walker (02:24:18):

Working on getting all of our delinquent stuff done. Yeah. The next project or not theme next on my list is the asset inventory, which Kim said I should probably be at least preparing for. Yeah,

Art Donnelly (02:24:32):

Because that's going to be part of our rate

Jordan Walker (02:24:33):

Study.

Vanessa West (02:24:33):

Exactly. I would say, let's hold off on that. You've got minutes

Jordan Walker (02:24:38):

That just we're

Vanessa West (02:24:38):

Working

Jordan Walker (02:24:39):

On's my list and

Vanessa West (02:24:41):

Your list to put on the very, very, very, very bottom moment.

Jordan Walker (02:24:46):

Well, it's not time sensitive, but it's time consuming. So I want's got

Vanessa West (02:24:52):

Structure, but I would really like the minutes. The minutes are supposed to really be done within a week of the meeting and we're like six months, six months behind that is illegal. So to me, minutes is like priority number minutes and the backflow are my priorities.

Jordan Walker (02:25:11):

We can do that.

Vanessa West (02:25:12):

Those are my two.

Jordan Walker (02:25:13):

And then after that would probably be evaluations and then customer policies probably towards the back for now.

Vanessa West ([02:25:22](#)):

Back.

Jordan Walker ([02:25:24](#)):

And the lead service line inventory that's due by October. So I'll have to work on that, but not this month.

Vanessa West ([02:25:33](#)):

And then there's the yearly testing that didn't get done last year that needs to get done

Art Donnelly ([02:25:37](#)):

And Amy contacted me about that. She wants it done by the 17th. So I'm going to discuss that with Jordan tomorrow morning. And Matt and Jordan both might have opinions on this, but in terms of that lead service line inventory, I think as we all know, it's very unlikely that we would have any,

Vanessa West ([02:25:55](#)):

We don't have any, but Kim told me the customers might have it, but I do know I have the other stuff, but still, we'd still have to do that. But I have don't know. It's

Jordan Walker ([02:26:07](#)):

Primarily a paperwork

Art Donnelly ([02:26:09](#)):

Thing. Yeah, we're not going to go dig up all the lines and

Vanessa West ([02:26:14](#)):

Spray. Oh, Kim said, we can look up the date that the houses were built and that would tell us pretty much if there's cancel, we would only have to go maybe look at 20.

Jordan Walker ([02:26:21](#)):

There's a statistical sampling

Vanessa West ([02:26:24](#)):

That, yeah, we may only have to physically look at 20 based on the age of the houses and stuff. So yeah, it really is pretty

Vanessa West ([02:26:30](#)):

Simple.

Jordan Walker ([02:26:31](#)):

And that's all I have for the administrative committee

Vanessa West ([02:26:35](#)):

And public comments.

Sharon Kelly ([02:26:37](#)):

I have a comment.

Vanessa West ([02:26:39](#)):

You're not public. No.

Sharon Kelly ([02:26:41](#)):

Can I comment? You sure can. Okay. I've lived here for years and I know the people that have been on the board for years, all of 'em. And I was thinking the other day, this community has lived without a proper water system for years probably. And when I am just new on the board. But the people that have been working on this stuff have done more in this past year than has been done in how many years? I cannot remember when anything like this was discussed at any board meetings. And I did attend some. It was just everybody agreeing with everybody what everybody said.

Jordan Walker ([02:27:53](#)):

I was on the board for a year and that's what happened.

Vanessa West ([02:27:58](#)):

Busted.

Sharon Kelly ([02:28:00](#)):

So I think the community doesn't know how lucky they are right now to have the people on the board and working for the water district that they have.

Art Donnelly ([02:28:11](#)):

Yeah, I would agree.

Sharon Kelly ([02:28:12](#)):

So

Vanessa West ([02:28:13](#)):

We definitely don't just all agree. We definitely have our own opinions.

Sharon Kelly ([02:28:17](#)):

That's true.

Vanessa West ([02:28:20](#)):

That we'd like to see. We can show me the evidence or this or that and I can change it or mine. But yeah, we want to understand it before we vote, so. Well, thank you.

Sharon Kelly ([02:28:28](#)):

Yes. Well, I am proud of the board that is going now and the employees that are working now. I really am. So congratulations. If I don't mean anything,



Vanessa West ([02:28:45](#)):

I'll second

Matt Ferkey ([02:28:46](#)):

Your Yes.

ShirleyMarie Raven ([02:28:46](#)):

I'm impressed with how much work you guys as board members have put in and employees that really seem to be doing a great job in a timely manner

Matt Ferkey ([02:28:57](#)):

While learning

ShirleyMarie Raven ([02:29:00](#)):

And being willing to go above and beyond. I mean, I'm very impressed with all that's

Vanessa West ([02:29:05](#)):

Happened. I second that.

Matt Ferkey ([02:29:07](#)):

Yeah.

Vanessa West ([02:29:08](#)):

And would you like to speak? You just came down

Matt Ferkey ([02:29:13](#)):

To be a good citizen. Thanks. Really

Vanessa West ([02:29:17](#)):

We, it's rare. We need board

Matt Ferkey ([02:29:22](#)):

To a board member without even asking him.

Vanessa West ([02:29:26](#)):

He's not even in our district guys.

Matt Ferkey ([02:29:29](#)):

We can't go to school here though. So she is drinking your water for It's not me.

Vanessa West ([02:29:35](#)):

Well, what do you finding?

Matt Ferkey ([02:29:37](#)):

Is your kid a crow kid? They applied for a, well a while back,

Vanessa West ([02:29:41](#)):

I think. Isn't They got the Well, but they plan on staying with us. That's on

Matt Ferkey ([02:29:46](#)):

O'S website, huh? Oh, they haven't. It's been installed, but it hasn't been approved to go live.

Vanessa West ([02:29:52](#)):

But they still plan on, they don't work. I know

Matt Ferkey ([02:29:54](#)):

I last just a long time ago. They were planning on eventually. Well, I don't know where it's at that you guys up. No, it's in what they have the well in. It actually caused me a little grief, a little, little bit of

Vanessa West ([02:30:11](#)):

A You're not on mention that. And that was all them. Oh

Matt Ferkey ([02:30:14](#)):

Yeah. Yeah, that's right.

Vanessa West ([02:30:15](#)):

And yes, they have backflow devices.

Matt Ferkey ([02:30:17](#)):

Your kit and crow, Mapleton Crow, Mapleton. No, no. Oh no, she's not. Okay. They're talking about Florence, right? Yeah. It's like how long is this going to go? Just now?

Vanessa West ([02:30:32](#)):

Well then I'm going to call this meeting to end at 8 34.