

**Crestline Sanitation District
Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes
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**Date/Time: February 12, 2026 – 3:00 p.m.
Place: Crestline Sanitation District Office
24516 Lake Drive, Crestline, CA 92325**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Chairman Philippe and was proceeded by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board of Directors Present:

Matthew Philippe, Chairman
Mike Harris, Vice Chairman
Sherri Fairbanks, Director
Ken Nelsen, Director
Niki Wiessner, Director

Crestline Sanitation District Employees Present:

Dawn Grantham, General Manager
Brandon Ricksecker, Operations Manager
Jeanette Nelsen, Fiscal Asst., Recording Secretary

Others Present via Zoom:

Steve Kennedy, Legal Counsel; Brunick, McElhaney, & Kennedy
Brad Welebir, Financial Consultant; R.A.M.S

Approval of Agenda

Director Harris motioned to approve the Agenda. Director Fairbanks seconded.
AYES: Directors; Philippe, Harris, Fairbanks, Nelsen, Wiessner
NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

Approval of Consent Calendar

Director Harris motioned to approve the Consent Calendar. Director Nelsen seconded.
AYES: Directors; Philippe, Harris, Fairbanks, Nelsen, Wiessner
NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

Public Comment*

None

Old Business

Item 3 – Due to new the Brown Act Update 2026, resulting in many new requirements, Legal Counsel Kennedy presented a strike out version of Ordinance No. 2025-1 that was discussed and accepted, resulting in Ordinance 2026-1. Director Nelsen motioned to adopt Ordinance No. 2026-1. Director Fairbanks seconded.

AYES: Directors; Philippe, Harris, Fairbanks, Nelsen, Wiessner
NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

Item 4 – Dawn Grantham and Brandon Ricksecker presented a Pumped Waste Permit Fee Report for Holding Tanks. Discussion was on what the costs are to treat waste from a Holding Tank versus a Septic Tank and what would be a reasonable fee to charge the pumped waste contractors/haulers. Currently the Permit Fee is the same for both Tanks. Director Nelsen motioned for the Board to reduce the fee for holding tanks, due to the overall cost, to a flat fee of \$35, with a second from Director Wiessner.

AYES: Directors; Philippe, Harris, Fairbanks, Nelsen, Wiessner

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

New Business

Item 5 – Recommendations for Nominees for LAFCO Board of Directors was presented to the Board. No action was taken.

Item 6 – Dawn Grantham recommended that the Board discuss the implementation of a Residential Lateral Program. This program would require homeowners have their private laterals certified prior to the close of Escrow. The District would contact real estate agents when a home goes on the market, prior to the close of escrow, and inform them that the building's sewer lateral will be required to be inspected and then certified by the District. The certification would have an expiration date, possibly ten years. The Board requested that Staff investigate what the cost to televise the private laterals would be, as well as what the potential cost to run new pipes would be for the home owner. The Board also presented the idea for the District to take responsibility for all laterals that cross a creek. After discussion the Board asked for a draft Ordinance and cost report to be brought for the April or May Board Meeting.

Financial Consultant Report

Item 7 – Financial Report for January 2026 was presented by Brad Welebir.

Legal Counsel Report

Item 8 – None

Houston Creek Waste Water Treatment Plant Construction Progress Report

Item 9– General Manager Grantham provided the Board with a construction progress report and financial update.

Manager Report

Item 10 – Report was presented by General Manager Grantham.

Operations Manager Report

Item 11 - Report was presented by Operations Manager Ricksecker.

Recess to Closed Session

The Board, Legal Counsel, and Management recessed to closed session at 4:32 p.m.

Reconvene to Open Session

The Board, Legal Counsel, and Management reconvened to open session at 5:30 p.m.

Announcement of Reportable Closed Session Actions

None

Directors Comments

- * Director Wiessner stated it was good to see everyone.
- * Director Fairbanks emphasized her appreciation for all the work and looks forward to seeing the system up and running.
- * Director Philippe exclaimed that he would not be available to the March board meeting.
- * Director Nelsen attested that nothing is harder than working with ongoing construction at the plant. Gave his blessing and thanks to the staff.

Future Meetings

Regular Meeting – March 12, 2026 at 3:00 p.m.

Future Agenda Items

Board Officer Elections
Sewer Laterals Crossing Creeks
Budget in April

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned 5:34 p.m.

APPROVE: _____ **DATE:** _____

ATTEST: _____ **DATE:** _____