

WWSD (Cont. from 14)

The resolution also declares the WWSD headquarters at 1845 Woodmoor Drive to be the polling place for the election.

The resolution carries forward a number of procedures that have governed the operation of the board in previous years, such as the requirement to publish notifications of legal notices in a local newspaper.

The board voted unanimously to approve the resolution.

The district's attorney, Erin Smith told the board that anyone wishing to serve on the board could submit a self-nomination form at the district headquarters. All self-nomination forms are due by Feb. 28 at 4 p.m., she said, adding the recommendation that the forms be handed in early so applicants have time to correct any errors in their form before the deadline.

The second resolution, also approved unani-

mously, set rules for exactly how the board must handle certain tasks—for example, the resolution that declared the Tri-Lakes Tribune as the local newspaper where WWSD would publish legal notices.

Hanson re-elected to Joint Use Committee

The board re-elected board member Lee Hanson to represent the district on the Joint Use Committee, the organization that manages the sewer infrastructure shared by WWSD, Monument, and Palmer Lake residents. WWSD President Jim Taylor was elected as an alternate to Hanson until May.

Operational report highlights

- The Chilcott Ditch is currently shut down for its winter hiatus.
- District Assistant Manager Randy Gillette told the board there were 45 main breaks in 2019, and that the number of breaks was increasing year by year, reflecting the age of the system.
- Gillette also told the board his team was work-

ing on a project to ensure pipelines connecting residences to main lines were properly maintained.

- District Manager Jessie Shaffer told the board that Well 21, the district's newest well, which is located in the Misty Acres subdivision, is on schedule to be available during peak-use season in the summer.

The next meeting is scheduled for Feb. 10 at 1 p.m. Meetings are usually held at the district office at 1845 Woodmoor Drive on the second Monday of each month at 1 p.m. See www.woodmoorwater.com or call 488-2525 to verify meeting times.

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Tri-Lakes Wastewater Treatment Facility Joint Use Committee, Jan. 14

Total phosphorus treatment underway

By Lisa Hatfield

The Tri-Lakes Wastewater Treatment Facility (TLW-WTF) Joint Use Committee (JUC) met on Jan. 14 to discuss facility operations.

TLWWTF is owned in equal one-third shares by Monument Sanitation District (MSD), Palmer Lake Sanitation District (PLSD), and Woodmoor Water and Sanitation District (WWSD).

The three-member JUC acts as the board of the facility and consists of one director from each of the three owner districts' boards: MSD board Chairman Ed DeLaney, JUC president; PLSD board member Reid Wiecks, new JUC vice president; and WWSD board Director Lee Hanson, JUC secretary/treasurer. Other board and staff members of the three owner districts also attended, including MSD District Manager Mike Wicklund, PLSD District Manager Becky Orcutt, and WWSD Assistant District Manager Randy Gillette.

Dale Smith remembered

DeLaney asked for a moment of silence in honor of Dale Smith, "a dear member of our tribe." Smith served as the marshal/police chief for the Town of Palmer Lake from 1975 to 2006 and was very involved in many local governing boards including serving on the JUC from 2009 to 2014. He died Jan. 6.

Discharge Monitoring Report

Facility Manager Bill Burks said that in November, the first month of state-required and reported total phosphorus (TP) treatment, the facility's new chemical TP removal tertiary clarifier system was working efficiently. See www.ocn.me/v17n12.htm#tlwtf.

Burks is also attempting to save electrical costs associated with UV bulb disinfection that destroys E. coli.

Stakeholder meeting updates

Burks reported that the Arkansas River/Fountain Creek Coalition for Urban/Rural River Evaluation (AF CURE) and TLWWTF continue to monitor points in the watershed for the presence of specific macroinvertebrates that are supposed to indicate the health of a stream. They also discussed non-point sources of stream pollution.

MSD Environmental Compliance Coordinator Jim Kendrick reported that at the Colorado Wastewater Utility Council December meeting, topics of concern for PFAS (Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances) included: the lack of federal regulatory standards, lack of approved laboratory analytical methods, and lack of options to destroy these toxins. They also discussed temperature limits for intermittent and ephemeral dry stream beds.

The next meeting is scheduled for 10 a.m. Feb. 11 at the Tri-Lakes Wastewater Treatment Facility, 16510 Mitchell Ave. Meetings are normally held on the second Tuesday of the month and are open to the public from all three owner-districts. For information, call Bill Burks at 719-481-4053.

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