

water loss discussion in May was due to the district reading the meters on the 28th of each month, but the real reading is on the last day of the month. In winter, the extra days are added to the next month, but a hot day after the 28th in spring and summer would show higher usage. In the future, the district will compare apples to apples to ensure accurate water loss levels. The calculations were just a measurement issue, thrown off by high usage days, he said. See www.ocn.me/v23n6.htm#tmd.

Financial update

President Mark Melville requested the board review and approve the checks over \$5,000 and said that all expenses were budgeted line items and part of the overall 2023 budget.

The board approved the checks over \$5,000 as presented, 4-0.

Treasurer/Secretary James Barnhart noted that vehicle expenses were at \$660,000—1100% over the budgeted \$20,000 for 2023 in the financial report.

McGrady said the staff would need to investigate what appears to be a possible line-item discrepancy. The district conducts all vehicle oil changes in house, but expenses have been high for tires and fuel. Having an in-house mechanic has saved money for the district, and until the district purchased a \$500 blade sharpener, the district had a weekly expense for the sharpening of blades. The cost of sub-contracting jobs is high and the district endeavors to keep most jobs in house, he said.

The board accepted the financial report as presented, 4-0.

Public Works and Parks and Open Space update
Superintendent Matt Rayno said the following:

- The spring weather pattern has been a huge challenge for the staff to keep the district in viable shape. The district has seen excessive

plant growth due to the rainfall, and additional weed control and early pruning is needed. A typical spring is not usually as wet, and herbicide control has been diluted by the water.

Mowing is needed every five days, and the staff are working hard to catch up.

- The paving is now complete at the new state-of-the-art facility at A Yard (located adjacent

to the power station east of Jackson Creek Parkway). The new facility will house the

900-ECO 12-yard truck-mounted combination sewer cleaner, on order since August 2022. See

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7:00am	Palmer Lake Fun Run - Register: www.july4funrun.com Palmer Lake
7:00 am - 10:00 am	Pancake Breakfast - Tickets at the Door St Peter Catholic Church - Jefferson St & Lincoln Ave
8:00 am - 3:00 pm	Tri-Lakes Chamber of Commerce Street Fair - 2nd Street and Washington Street
9:45 am	Monument Hill Kiwanis Children's Parade Downtown Monument
10:00 am - 12:00 pm	Monument Hill Kiwanis 4th of July Parade Downtown Monument
	10am Air Force Flyby 10:30 AM WWII Aviation Museum Aircraft Flyby Register at mhkiwanis.org - click on Uncle Sam's hat
10:00 am - 5:00 pm	Tri-Lakes Chamber of Commerce Family Friendly Beer Garden Limbach Park, Monument
11:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Live Music, Limbaugh Park Monument
7:00pm	Bands & Concessions - Palmer Lake
Dusk	Palmer Lake Fireworks (conditions permitting)

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