

CHESTER PUD's
General Manager's Report
06-24-2025 Monthly Regular Meeting

- **Fire Lease Agreement:** We are in discussions with Pen Fire to get an agreement in writing for them to utilize the building and office staff for some invoicing.
- **Expenses:** I've been looking at all expenses and where we can cut costs. It will be an ongoing practice
- **Broken Sewer Laterals:** West Coast Trenchless accidentally hit a couple sewer laterals while doing construction work for another company. The bill for the broken sewer laterals and sub-contractor will be submitted to West Coast Trenchless. The Office Manager was very accommodating and understanding.
- **Shared Files:** I started a One Drive where the employees can keep all of CPUD files in one location and have shared access. This will not replace paper copies. Keeping CPUD documents in one place that is backed up and protected is important and allows access by all employees.
- **Computer Technology:** Patrick, our IT guy, has been very helpful. He is creating a binder with all of our network information for us to have on site; Our IT bible.
- **Light District:** I've been reaching out to LAFCO to get a plan for the Lighting District. I will continue to reach out until I make progress.
- **Hazard Mitigation:** I met with some consultants representing the County about the hazard mitigation program. We will be participating in the annexation to be part of the County's hazard mitigation Plan. This will allow us to apply for FEMA grants for hazard mitigation (avoiding an emergency hazard) instead of only after the emergency has occurred. This also allows us to identify our most pressing natural hazards so we can be more prepared for them. The next meeting is the 1st week in August, date and time TBD. I need to have the preliminary assessment submitted by July 15th.
- **PRAs:** The two PRA requests submitted to the District have had initial responses. On June 11th, I requested a PRA from the former GM to recover District emails.
- **Rate Study:** Without CPUD having the fire department, those shared expenses are now shared only between the Water and Wastewater. This is

triggering a need for another rate study. I have a meeting coming up to go over the potential for us to get a grant to get another rate study.