

Water Committee Report

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William James, Water Committee Chair, PSA Vice President

During the last two months, 69 days (December 28th to March 6th), our well pumps pumped a total of 2,297,107 gallons out of the ground.

The highest usage was 90,150 cubic feet (674,369 gallons), averaging 9,773 gallons per day. This homeowner is currently out of state for the winter season, and I shut off the water on 12 March. This has caused a water bill in the Thousands of dollars. For reference, an Olympic sized pool is 490,000 gallons.

6 accounts exceeded their allotment. 16 accounts are past due, two are pending service suspension. One account is suspended.

It is each member's responsibility to use water wisely and monitor their usage. With the past freezing weather, I urge all members to check for leaks, monitor their water usage/water meter, to turn off their water at the meter if they intend to leave for an extended period. Turning off you water will help prevent leaks and Thousands of dollars in water charges.

Our five 5 new CDs at \$110,000 each, are earning interest at 5.26%. This rate will net approximately \$28,930 by the end of 2024. These investments are meant to grow our water system reserve funds faster with the goal of reaching \$1 million.

We have had two water meters burst due to the cold weather over the past few months. One was secured by Randy Lord, Thank you Randy, and the meter was replaced by NWS. The other meter was secured by the homeowner for the winter season, as it should be, Thank you to that homeowner, and was discovered when they returned and turned on the water. That meter was replaced by the end of the following day.

The new water bills have recently gone out and reflect the increase to the maintenance & operation charge of \$5 per lot, per billing cycle, as approved by the BOD during the January BOD meeting.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Submitted by William James.