Water Coordinator Report for December 14, 2023

The Genset in the Well house has been serviced by Jerry Beck Electric. The final step is to be completed on Monday 12/18/23 which will be the flush and replacement of the coolant. I will submit the itemized bill when I receive it.

Dylan, project manager from Jerry Beck Electric, will be evaluating our electrical system in the well house and address the issues brought up by Todd Albi. I have shared Todd's list of items to be looked at with Dylan. Dylan is expected to come by next week. When I receive his itemized list of repairs, I hope to call a special meeting to discuss the issues and determine next steps.

I have purchased a new cipher lock to be installed soon. I will share the code with the president, NW Natural Water, and Jerry Beck Electric.

I sent you the letter from Jeffrey (JJ) Olson, Business and Compliance Manager for NW Natural Water Services (the owners of King Water). This is to introduce the new crew at the NW Natural Water services office in Coupeville. He also explained the need to complete an inventory of all service connections, on both the public and customer side of the service line and to classify the pipe material as lead or non-lead by October 16, 2024. I have requested assistance from NW Natural Water to complete this task.

He also reminded us of the Water Use Efficiency rule that needs to be discussed at our annual meeting and a WUE goal set for the coming year. Goals are discussed and then set by our governing board. I would like 10-15 minutes to give a brief overview of our water usage at the annual meeting and in doing so explain the need for a WUE goal (outside of the fact that it is a requirement of the Department of Health)

Wednesday, December 13, 2023, I took a 3 hour class on Cost of Service Analysis on how to determine the cost of producing water for our community, and then to determine the fees necessary to cover the fixed and variable expenses of our system. Bottom line is our system hasn't had a fee increase that I am aware of and we should at least have a "cost of living" type adjustment every year. We have substantially neglected the infrastructure of our well and water system over time and it will need some extensive upgrades in the electrical system this coming year. In the syllabus I was given links to many helpful publications and websites that I can share with those interested.

Respectfully submitted,

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