



AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF UTILITIES COMMISSIONERS

La Junta, Colorado

November 21, 2023

4:00 p.m.

Council Chambers

Municipal Building

601 Colorado Avenue

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL (City Clerk)

Board Members P/A

Supervisors

Others

Ayala
Bourget
Cranson
McKenzie
Velasquez

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Chairman)

Regular Meeting October 17, 2023

PRESENTATION OF YEARS OF SERVICE PLAQUE TO OUTGOING COMMISSIONER, CHAIRMAN
FRANK MCKENZIE – November 2015-November 2023 (City Manager Klein)

OATH OF OFFICE TO NEWLY ELECTED COMMISSIONER – PATRICK BERG (City Clerk)

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY **(5-minute time limit per person)**

REPORTS

A. ARPA Board (Gary Cranson)

B. Water & Wastewater Treatment (Tom Seaba)

C. Electric Department (Bill Jackson)

D. Sanitation (Martin Montoya)

NEW BUSINESS

A. A Resolution Recommending to the City Council the amendment of the 2023 Operating Budget for the Electric Fund and the Waste Water Fund (City Attorney) (Action)

B. Promissory Note from the City of La Junta Water Fund to the City of La Junta Internal Services Fund (City Attorney) (Action)

C. Christmas Lighting Contest in the amount of \$600.00 to be distributed as follows: \$300 for First Place; \$200 for Second Place and \$100 for Third Place (Bill Jackson) (Action)

D. City Manager's Comments

E. Governing Body's Comments



AGENDA



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CITY OF LA JUNTA)
COUNTY OF OTERO) SS
STATE OF COLORADO)

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Utilities Commissioners of the City of La Junta, Colorado, was called to order by Chairman Frank McKenzie on Tuesday, October 17, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building.

Roll was called and the following Board Members were present:

Present Joe Ayala, Mayor
 Gary Cranson, Vice-Chairman
 Frank McKenzie, Chairman
 Paul Velasquez, Council Member

Absent: Mike Bourget, Commissioner

Also present: Rick Klein, City Manager
 Bill Jackson, Asst. City Manager
 Phil Malouff Jr., City Attorney
 Debra Fraker, Admin. Asst.
 Paula Mahoney, Admin. Asst.
 Tom Seaba, Director of Water/WW
 Martin Montoya, Director of Engineering
 Aliza Libby, Director of Finance
 Meghan Yergert, RO Plant ORC
 Betty McFarren, RF Gazette

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Chairman McKenzie asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 19, 2023. Hearing none, the chairman declared the September 19, 2023 minutes approved as published.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

1. There was no citizen's participation.

REPORTS

A. ARPA Board. Gary Cranson gave the following report:

1. **Summary of August 2023 Financial and Operating Statements:** During the month of August, revenue from power sales was more than budget by \$14,246 (0.5%) and total revenue was more than budget by \$35,036. Total cost of goods sold was under budget by 4.2%. Purchased power costs were under budget by \$34,367 (2.8%). Transmission expenses were under budget by \$47,849. Net Revenue from Operations for the month was \$849,333.
2. **Year to Date Income Statement:** Revenue from power sales was less than budget by \$754,790 (3.9%). Total revenues were less than budget by \$564,831 YTD. Interest income was \$185,680 which is better than budget. Total cost of goods sold was less than budget by \$954,545 (7.5%). YTD purchased power costs were under budget by \$658,941 (8.7%). YTD Transmission expenses were under budget by \$333,866. Total YTD A & G expenses are under budget by \$60,249 (1.4%). YTD Net Revenue is \$2,931,991. Debt Service Coverage YTD is 1.43X.
3. **Operating Report:** ARPA paid \$49.56 per mWh for 17,573 kWh reported as produced by member solar installations.

4. Member Energy sales for August was 1.27% more than budget and 3% more than 2022. Energy Sales YTD was 4% less than budget and 2.7% less than 2022. *Coincidental peak demand* was 3.9% higher than 2022 at 60.8 mW and occurred on August 16th in hour ending 4:00 p.m. All in cost of power to members YTD is \$0.0999 per kWh; 2.3% lower than 2020.
5. **Next Meeting** –October 26, 2023, 10:00 a.m. at Otero College in La Junta. The 2024 Budget and Preliminary Cost of Service Study results both will be reviewed.

B. Water & Wastewater Treatment. Tom Seaba gave the following report:

1. R.O. Plant
 - Routine maintenance: Checked all belts, packing/nozzles, and greased motors on degassifiers, cleaned and calibrated all probes, tested pH, conductivity, and hardness on all wells.
 - Calibrated field-testing equipment.
 - Well #9 work completed. Waiting for Bac-T sample and flow meter certification before return to service.
 - Replaced vent cover on 3MG tank and installed new screen on Prairie View tank overflow per CDPHE recommendation.
 - Repaired leak on chlorine circulating pump.
 - Installed new chlorine and analyzer with samples manually every four hours until monitoring system put back online.
 - Rebuilt feed dump AUMA actuator to include circuit board, clutch, motor, and reverser and replaced AUMA actuator on RO “A”.
 - Meter reading and installation, building maintenance, and groundskeeping.
2. Distribution
 - Completed main replacement and valve installation under Highway 109 that feeds the old Boys Ranch property.
 - Hydrant repair and flushing.
 - Repaired service leaks replacing the lead service liens.
 - Installed new meters.
 - Meter reading and utility billing office generated work orders, equipment maintenance.
3. Financials (Water Fund)
 - September water revenues were \$359,500. The budget for September was \$309,800. Revenues were \$49,700 above the monthly budget. Compared to 2022, revenues showed a \$49,600 increase. Year-to-date revenue is at 98%. Budget shows we should be at 75%. The city billed 71,197,000 gallons of water compared to 61,420,000 in 2022.
 - Total expenses were \$343,000 with a monthly budget of \$451,700. Expenses were \$108,700 less than the budgeted amount for September.
 - Compared to 2022, assets decreased \$1,551,200 and liabilities decreased \$997,700. Net change in fund balance is (\$553,455) for year-to-date 2023.
4. Wastewater
 - Treated 26.456 million gallons. Removed 25.0 ft³ of screenings and 24.0 ft³ of grit.
 - RO concentrate discharge to plant was 18.848 million gallons.
 - Jetted 4,589 feet of line for four emergency calls and thirty-two manhole locate requests.
 - A/c system in UV building needs replaced. Motor and compressor shot.
 - Replaced failed solenoid to grit pump/screw.
 - Training and system check performed by Trojan Technologies representative. New UV bulbs and cleaning solution on order.
 - Cleaning, maintenance on north clarifier.
 - Additional plant, collection system, grounds maintenance.

5. Financials (Waste Water Fund)

- September sales were \$234,900. This was \$35,200 more than the September anticipated budget of \$199,700. However, compared to 2022 sales were up \$26,900. Year-to-date revenue is at 78%. Budget shows we should be at 75%. Revenues are up YTD.
- Total expenses for September were \$193,900. This was \$13,900 less than the anticipated budget of \$207,800. Year-to-date expenses is \$37,600 less than budgeted and \$161,500 more than 2022. Expenses are at 76%. Budget shows we should be at 75%.
- Compared to 2022, assets decreased \$921,100 and liabilities decreased \$104,600. Net change in fund balance is (\$816,428) for year-to-date 2023.

6. Other Notables:

- Assisted Street Department with Carson Avenue repaving project.
- Assisted Rocky Ford with a live service tap.
- Meetings to be scheduled concerning water resources with the AVC.

C. Electric Department. Bill Jackson gave the following report:

1. Line Crew

- Daily reads, disconnects and maintenance.
- The crew changed out a four-way junction in a cement vault that was submerged in water behind the Copper Kitchen.
- An old, open secondary copper line at La Junta Mill was retired.
- A scheduled outage at Colorado Bank & Trust occurred due to the repair and replacement of some old porcelain arresters.
- Troubleshooting was performed on underground primary lines at 14th Street and Maple Avenue.
- At 1017 Edison Avenue, the crew responded to a call regarding a burnt-up secondary wire and successfully resolved the issue.
- A digger truck was used by the crew to assist the Water Department at one of the well fields.
- The line crew is almost finished with tree trimming.

2. SOLAR Accounts

- The total kWh returned to the system was 10,223 from 20 customers. A total of \$500.93 was rebated at the avoided costs. There are currently 25 solar customers.

3. Financials (Electric Fund)

- Total revenue was \$1,237,700. This is less than the September budget of \$1,257,000 by \$19,300. Compared to 2022 sales were up 6.33%. Kilowatt usage increased compared to 2022. Total kilowatts billed was 8,317,275. Year-to-date was \$8,962,000 which was below the \$9,477,900 budget by \$515,900. This is a 0.61% decrease for the year-to-date.
- Expenses were \$1,175,600 for September. August ARPA bill is NOT included. This is \$86,700 more than the budget. Expenses were decreased by 2.71% compared with 2022. Expenses exceeded revenue by \$61,000 for September 2023. Year-to-date, revenues have exceeded expenses by \$858,300.
- Compared to 2022, assets increased \$128,100 and liabilities increased \$730,500. Net change in fund balance is \$858,331 for year-to-date 2023.

D. Sanitation. Martin Montoya gave the following report:

1. October City Clean Up, in the first two hours, there was one roll-off completely full. It has since died down. We are currently in the middle of loading our fourth roll-off. Last year, we took a total of fourteen roll-offs. So, it's coming down.

Mayor Ayala: You and your crew have done an amazing job this year. With Carson Avenue and helping with rates on the boxes. I want to say thank you for all the work that you're doing for our city.

2. Financials (Sanitation Fund)

- September revenues were \$102,100. This was \$17,600 above the estimated September budget of \$85,400. Comparatively, it is a 14% increase from 2022. Year-to-date revenue is at 93%. Budget shows it should be at 77%. Recycling revenues have increased steadily since its inception. There were 242 accounts participating in curb side pick-up in September. In 2022, only 232 residents participated. Total revenues were above the 2022 by \$14,200.
- Total sanitation expenses were \$79,300. This is \$38,300 below the September budget of \$117,600. Year-to-date expense is \$112,200 less than budgeted and \$200 less than 2022. Expenses are at 65%. Budget shows we should be at 75%. Net change in fund balance is \$35,800 for year-to-date 2023.

NEW BUSINESS**A. Recommendation to City Council to Re-Appoint Lorenz Sutherland to the ARPA Board – term to expire 12/31/2027.**

MOTION TO RECOMMEND TO CITY COUNCIL THE REAPPOINTMENT OF LORENZ SUTHERLAND TO THE ARPA BOARD – TERM TO EXPIRE 12/31/2027: Cranson

SECOND: Velasquez

DISCUSSION: There was no discussion

VOTE: The motion carried 4-0 (Bourget absent)

B. A Resolution Recommending to City Council the Adoption of the 2024 Proposed Budget for the Electric Fund, Water Fund, Sewer Fund and Sanitation Fund. Resolution No. RUB-2-2023 was presented for the Board's consideration as follows:

WHEREAS, the proposed budget for the City of La Junta for 2024 has been prepared in conformance with the La Junta City Charter; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Utilities Commissioners has reviewed the proposed budget for the Electric Fund, Water Fund, Sewer Fund and other funds associated with the budget over which the Board of Utilities Commissioners has review and authority;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF UTILITIES COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF LA JUNTA THAT THE PROPOSED 2024 BUDGET FOR INCOME AND EXPENDITURES FOR ALL FUNDS BE RECOMMENDED TO THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE COUNCIL'S CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION:

1. Electric Fund	-	\$12,206,700.00
2. Water Fund	-	\$ 3,818,700.00
3. Sewer Fund	-	\$ 3,503,900.00
4. Sanitation Fund	-	\$ 1,513,500.00

There was lengthy discussion regarding removing some capital outlay from the budget and then reassessing needs next year. In particular, the digger truck in the electric department budget in the amount of \$250,000. Safety concerns were brought up along with the substantial price savings to purchase now instead of waiting which is almost half. The Board made the following motion.

MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. RUB-2-2023: Cranson

SECOND: Velasquez

DISCUSSION: There was no further discussion

VOTE: The motion carried 4-0 (Bourget absent)

- C. Class Action Lawsuit – Napoli Shkolnik.** Back in April or May, we received an invitation to join a class action lawsuit that would only cost us 25% of whatever our settlement amount was. It was sent to us by a law firm, Napoli Shkolnik, which is a law firm out of the Bahamas. We had decided to wait awhile and see what happened and since then, there's now been a settlement of that class action lawsuit and now, the court and administrators are inviting all the various entities, municipalities to join into the settlement. Mechanically, what has to happen, is people have to opt in or opt out.

MOTION TO INSTRUCT THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PARTICPATE IN THIS CLASS ACTION LAW-SUIT: Cranson

SECOND: Velasquez

DISCUSSION: There was no discussion

VOTE: The motion carried

D. City Manager's Comments.

1. Working with the EPA and the \$500,000 Brownfield grant and getting the paperwork done on that with our consultants. Starting the trail for Brick and Tile park. TLM Constructors have already started.

E. Governing Body's Comments.

1. Commissioner Velasquez: Thanks for the tremendous job that the lien crew did on taking care of an outage the other day. I appreciate Miss Yergert speaking last night at City Council. I thought you did a fantastic job.
2. Vice-Chairman Cranson: I second his accolade for you. You did a great job.
3. Mayor Ayala: I want to say thank you to Frank McKenzie for being our chairman and doing all of this to volunteer to make his community a better place and I'm sad that this is your last meeting but just be on call for when I need you.
4. Chairman McKenzie: I love this town. It's been a privilege and there's been good parts. In the last six years that I've been here, we've had to do a lot of stuff. Thank you.

BOARD OF UTILITIES COMMISSIONERS – October 17, 2023

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:04 p.m.

ATTEST:

CITY OF LA JUNTA

Melanie R. Scofield, City Clerk

Frank McKenzie, Chairman

A. ARPA Board. Gary Cranson submitted the following report:

1. Summary of September 2023 Financial and Operating Statements:

During the month of September, revenue from power sales was more than budget by \$ 14,356 (0.6%) and total revenue was more than budget by \$ 55,723

Total cost of goods sold was under budget by 7.7%

Purchased Power costs were under budget by \$ 81,095 (7.8%)

Transmission Expenses were under budget by \$ 43,315

Net Revenue from Operations for the month was \$ 600,891

2. Year to Date Income Statement:

Revenue from power sales was less than budget by \$ 712,643 (3.3%)

Total revenues were less than budget \$ 481,317 YTD

Interest income was \$ 227,016 which is better than budget.

Total cost of goods sold was less than budget by \$ 1,080,726 (7.5%)

YTD Purchased power costs were under budget by \$ 740,037 (8.6%)

YTD Transmission expenses were under budget by \$ 377,181

Total YTD A & G expenses are under budget by \$ 61,119 (1.2%)

YTD Net Revenue is \$ 3,388,439

Debt Service Coverage YTD is 1.45X

3. Operating Report:

ARPA paid \$ 52.24 per mWh for 23,6 kWH reported as produced by member solar installations.

Energy sales for September was 1.88% less than budget and 0.5 % more than 2022.

Energy sales YTD was 3.8% less than budget and 2.3% less than 2022.

Coincidental peak demand was the same as 2022 at 58.5 mW and occurred on September 1st in hour ending 4:00 P.M.

All in cost of power to members YTD is \$0.10019 per kWh; 2.2% lower than 2020.

4. Next Meeting December 7, 2023, 10:00 AM at Otero College in La Junta.

The 2024 Budget will be approved.

Utility Board Meeting

11/21/2023

Departmental Goings-On

R.O. Plant

- Routine maintenance: Checked all belts, packing/nozzles, and greased motors on air handlers, checked Y-strainers on all control and pressure reducing valves at plant and replaced shut off valve on RW control valve, changed oil, filters, and greased wells 3, 8, 10, 15, and air base booster pumps.
- Well #9 returned to service.
- Continuing quality analysis of field-testing equipment with lab bench equipment.
- Changed needle valves in well #4.
- Scale inhibitor meter went down on 10/14. Seeking replacement.
- Winterized irrigation systems.
- Meter Reading, building maintenance, and groundskeeping.

Distribution

- Service connection repairs on San Juan, Bradish, and
- New service install on south San Juan.
- Service repairs and reconnects on North Hwy. 109.
- Meter Reading and utility billing office generated work orders, equipment maintenance.

Wastewater

- Treated 29.401 million gallons. Removed 47ft³ of screenings and 40ft³ of grit.
- RO concentrate discharge to plant was 12.066 million gallons.
- Jetted 8,962' feet of line for 7 emergency calls and 28 manhole locate requests.
- Continued draining, cleaning, and maintenance on north clarifier.
- Cleaned UV channel, scum pumps in RAS blower buildings.
- Electrical repair to switches on sludge lift station.
- Manhole inspection pilot project completed. Awaiting results.
- Additional plant, collection system, and grounds maintenance.

Other Notables:

- SCADA upgrade project on schedule. Hardware should arrive before end of 2023. Installations should occur after programming is complete in March of 2024.
- Assisted with motor pool shop and yard clean up.
- Attended confined spaces entry safety, defensive driving, and mental health training.
- Several employees taking and passing certification tests.
- Successful year with Halloween decorations.
- Meeting held with water resource engineers with the AVC. SECWCD plans to schedule system meetings in early 2024.

Holbrook Revegetation Plan

2024

All planning and progress is limited due to budget and availability of personnel. There is no definitive completion date to this project due to the

Current scope of work planned for 2024:

- Have electrical service installed for irrigation pump.
- Purchase and install irrigation pump and additional gated pipe to extend the to the top of the field.
- Obtain use of a non-till wildland seed mx seed drill and plant the remainder of the current field.
- Discuss proposals to contract with local farms to assist with revegetation project.
- Obtain permission/cooperation from Ft. Lyon and Holbrook canals to develop and utilize Dye Spillway for augmentation station.
- Engineer designs for Dye Spillway augmentation station and aquifer recharge ponds.
- Property maintenance, weed control, etc.

Holbrook Use Plan

This document establishes the procedures for use of La Junta's Holbrook water. Section 13.6 of the final decree in Case No. 11CW13 ("11CW13 Decree") contemplates use of La Junta's HMIC water in a third-party replacement or compact improvement, substitute water supply, or augmentation plans. Before the water can be used in such plans, however, the water has to be converted to the "changed uses" (other than irrigation) as provided by the 11CW13 Decree. The steps for this conversion from irrigation to the "changed uses" are outlined below. We reference the 11CW13 Decree for specifics. This outline is in a suggested, but flexible chronological order.

1. Dry-Up/Revegetation Process:

The Decree states that the water cannot be used for the changed uses unless and until the historically irrigated land has been dried up and revegetated. This can occur in phases, with a proportionate share of the water freed up for the changed uses as dry-up and revegetation is implemented and approved by the Court. The dry-up and revegetation requirements are listed in the Decree. C.R.S. §37-92-305 (4.5) requires that "reasonable provisions" for revegetation and noxious weed management be used, for specifics, the Decree requires compliance with the specific requirements of Otero County' 1041 regulations. The anticipated steps for establishing the dry-up/revegetation plan are:

- a. Declare our expert in revegetation and ensure they meet the requirements of the County's 1041 regulations;
- b. have that person or another qualified individual approved by the Court as an acceptable expert to report on the progress of the dry-up revegetation;
- c. establish a revegetation plan that complies with the Otero County 1041 regulations, section 5.303 (f);
- d. apply for and obtain a 1041 permit from the County pursuant to the County regulations;
- e. implement the dry-up and revegetation plan, with yearly reports to the Court;
- f. after portions of dry-up and revegetation have been accomplished and the annual report filed with the Court, request and obtain Court approval of the dry-up pursuant to section 13.7.10 of the 11CW13 Decree. The anticipated length of that procedure is 3-6 months.

2. HMIC Preparation:

a. For water delivery during revegetation:

Presumably the revegetation efforts, using the HMIC water can be done using the existing HMIC headgates and rotation procedure, so HMIC board approval wouldn't be necessary for that use of the water. However, because HMIC insisted that a gradual change of the water from irrigation to the changed uses is desired, we will advise HMIC that the revegetation efforts are underway, that this will not change the headgates or rotation, and that it will receive copies of dry-up and revegetation progress reports. If revegetation will require that La Junta receive water from different headgates, new headgates be constructed, or out-of-rotation, HMIC's board has to approve any of those changes pursuant to its bylaws .

b. For water delivery after completion of revegetation:

1). Use of the existing Dye Wasteway structure:

It is unclear who owns this structure or the land upon which it sits. Initial consent was provided by both the Fort Lyon Canal Company and the HMIC, however, we will confirm consent of both the FLCC and HMIC to make modifications to and for future use of this structure to deliver water to the river.

2). Use of land upon which the Dye Wasteway Structure sits: It is presumed that FLCC and/or HMIC own this land, or if not, have some kind of written or implied right to use the land upon which the structure sits. La Junta will obtain a right to use this land as well. A request will be made to a title company for an "ownership and encumbrance report" for the land. Next, we will seek an easement, license, or some other form of approval to use the land from the land owner and any licensee/easement holder, including FLCC and HMIC.

3). HMIC Delivery Plan:

The Decree anticipates that the water to be used for the changed uses will be delivered to La Junta through headgates on the HMIC system, except for some Winter Water which can be booked over in Pueblo Reservoir. It anticipates a combination of four headgates, but regardless of how many are used, HMIC approval of the future delivery plan is required. Two of these headgates, the Dye Wasteway & Augmentation Station headgate and the Recharge & Augmentation Station Headgate, were anticipated to be new or reconstructed headgates. I believe the Dye Wasteway & Augmentation Station headgate was anticipated to move the consumptive use water back to the river. La Junta is developing a plan for future deliveries of its water within the HMIC system (or Pueblo Reservoir for some Winter Water transferred to La Junta's account) and

removal from the HMIC system to the river, as required by the “Decision of Holbrook Board” dated June 10, 2015 (“HMIC Decision”). This delivery plan is being developed simultaneous with the revegetation activities, in order to obtain HMIC approval and to construct necessary structures in time for delivery of the water after revegetation approval.

The delivery plan should include:

- a). a report of a study of the Ashley lateral to determine if water will need to be left in that lateral to protect other users;
- b). engineered designs of any anticipated modifications of headgates or laterals, and a request for consent or approval of the other structure owners or users;
- c). the plan for delivery through headgates in the normal rotation, or a request for approval of the HMIC board of any change in rotation (HMIC decision);
- d.) engineered designs of any anticipated new headgates or modifications of any existing headgates on the HMIC system We anticipate the use of four headgates. The decree anticipates that La Junta will construct and use a Recharge & Augmentation Station to deliver its surface return flow obligations and its deep percolation return obligations to Horse Creek. The associated headgate on the HMIC system must be designed and approved by HMIC pursuant to its Bylaws. Any change in location of the pipe to Horse Creek must be approved by the Division Engineer. Any recharge facility must be designed and the test results provided to the Division Engineer before it can be used to deliver the water for changed uses. If return flow obligations are to be met with deliveries of the HMIC water stored in Pueblo Reservoir, that is allowed. It might be possible to meet return flow obligations with other water, for example, releases from Pueblo Reservoir.

3. Projection and Accounting:

Section 13.7.7 of the 11CW13 Decree requires La Junta to develop a projection system and an accounting system to account for the water used for changed uses. The proposed accounting has to be provided to the Division Engineer and for review.

4. Exchange to Pueblo Reservoir:

Section 15 of the Decree contains terms and conditions for exercising the exchange to Pueblo Reservoir. This will require an account in Pueblo Reservoir as well.

**CITY OF LA JUNTA
TREATED WATER PUMPING REPORT**

2023 OCTOBER	DAILY TOTALS	RUNNING TOTAL	RUNNING AVERAGE
1	1,923,555	1,923,555	2,700,918
2	1,916,426	3,839,981	1,919,991
3	1,842,072	5,682,053	1,894,018
4	1,867,087	7,549,140	1,887,285
5	1,795,865	9,345,005	1,869,001
6	1,962,021	11,307,026	1,884,504
7	2,001,622	13,308,648	1,901,235
8	1,841,178	15,149,826	1,893,728
9	1,782,433	16,932,259	1,881,362
10	1,945,349	18,877,608	1,887,761
11	1,847,259	20,724,867	1,884,079
12	1,697,833	22,422,700	1,868,558
13	2,006,145	24,428,845	1,879,142
14	1,342,945	25,771,790	1,840,842
15	1,932,169	27,703,959	1,846,931
16	1,962,710	29,666,669	1,854,167
17	1,911,716	31,578,385	1,857,552
18	1,972,499	33,550,884	1,863,938
19	1,954,353	35,505,237	1,868,697
20	1,571,650	37,076,887	1,853,844
21	980,063	38,056,950	1,812,236
22	2,015,236	40,072,186	1,821,463
23	1,830,524	41,902,710	1,821,857
24	1,813,201	43,715,911	1,821,496
25	1,481,525	45,197,436	1,807,897
26	737,930	45,935,366	1,766,745
27	1,004,908	46,940,274	1,738,529
28	951,926	47,892,200	1,710,436
29	869,969	48,762,169	1,681,454
30	995,288	49,757,457	1,658,582
31	993,931	50,751,388	1,637,142

WATER PUMPING REPORT - TOTAL MONTHLY AVERAGE AND ANNUAL DAILY AVERAGE

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
JANUARY	930,230	976,015	921,401	982,581	951,866	1,008,129
FEBRUARY	903,344	920,841	972,783	899,325	990,441	944,202
MARCH	1,400,422	1,189,742	1,162,262	1,185,289	1,260,958	1,362,603
APRIL	1,919,708	1,555,048	1,628,607	1,951,903	1,675,183	1,531,140
MAY	2,736,470	2,574,223	2,554,895	1,407,158	2,126,396	1,664,063
JUNE	3,780,595	2,945,785	3,116,761	2,443,088	2,684,200	2,792,473
JULY	3,915,341	3,109,772	2,679,176	2,987,266	3,118,577	2,704,002
AUGUST	3,613,710	2,925,098	2,619,138	2,929,069	3,215,891	2,158,243
SEPTEMBER	2,687,163	2,646,114	2,494,287	2,678,312	2,761,297	2,370,071
OCTOBER	1,530,418	1,887,994	1,816,309	1,786,327	2,053,569	1,440,836
NOVEMBER	1,109,195	1,082,438	1,107,138	1,139,791	1,194,828	1,135,276
DECEMBER	986,978	960,383	898,572	919,619	999,685	1,045,058
Total of Monthly Average	25,513,574	22,773,453	21,971,329	21,309,728	23,032,891	20,156,096
Annual Monthly Average	2,126,131	1,897,788	1,830,944	1,775,811	1,919,408	1,679,675
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
JANUARY	1,017,718	985,506	1,044,009	1,161,771	1,102,644	1,079,783
FEBRUARY	990,572	995,785	1,016,581	1,246,955	1,087,932	1,050,626
MARCH	1,423,137	1,028,287	1,308,317	1,207,604	1,115,113	1,068,667
APRIL	1,763,265	1,682,223	1,868,792	1,841,144	1,840,332	1,899,967
MAY	2,715,473	2,239,430	2,824,709	1,951,034	2,419,403	2,109,724
JUNE	3,373,343	2,626,847	3,329,929	2,685,689	2,837,504	2,374,146
JULY	3,048,099	2,865,161	2,816,800	3,227,453	2,696,154	2,432,048
AUGUST	2,588,089	3,044,966	3,048,754	3,049,651	2,656,857	2,432,048
SEPTEMBER	2,459,879	2,814,694	2,427,889	2,656,326	2,506,060	2,126,370
OCTOBER	1,339,430	1,546,996	1,920,007	1,811,689	1,872,821	1,637,142
NOVEMBER	1,026,190	1,079,446	1,185,766	1,246,012	1,115,090	
DECEMBER	982,878	1,042,740	1,090,004	1,077,914	1,094,785	
Total of Monthly Average	22,728,073	21,952,081	23,881,557	23,163,242	22,344,695	18,210,521
Annual Monthly Average	1,894,006	1,829,340	1,990,130	1,930,270	1,862,058	1,517,543

ANNUAL MONTHLY AVERAGE from 1978-2011	
YEAR	
1978	3,417,038
1979	2,359,628
1980	2,340,723
1981	2,204,668
1982	1,981,657
1983	2,202,084
1984	2,077,328
1985	2,041,761
1986	2,448,842
1987	2,392,992
1988	2,617,253
1989	2,452,398
1990	2,274,213
1991	2,600,497
1992	2,468,108
1993	2,706,996
1994	2,772,865
1995	2,599,979
1996	2,718,012
1997	2,778,802
1998	2,764,985
1999	2,686,897
2000	2,870,918
2001	2,613,727
2002	2,545,514
2003	2,294,070
2004	1,936,373
2005	2,050,567
2006	1,907,597
2007	1,819,832
2008	1,825,493
2009	1,742,560
2010	1,834,444
2011	2,014,490



City of La Junta
Electric Department
P.O. Box 489 ~ 601 Colorado Avenue
La Junta, Colorado 81050

**October 2023
Report**

In addition to daily reads, disconnects and maintenance, the crew performed these additional tasks:

- The crew installed new varmint protection in the Light Plant Substation and the Air Base Substation.
- A 25 kVA transformer off Highway 50 and Frontage Road was set to feed a house behind Felicia's Restaurant. A 40-foot lift pole was added between the restaurant and the hotel.
- We had a 50-amp fuse blow in the 1400 block of Adams Avenue, so we replaced the old cut-out with a 200-amp one.
- The crew prepped thirty-three hot sticks and blankets and seven trucks for our annual inspection with CFS inspectors.
- Two new security cameras were installed at the Brick and Tile Park; more lights were added along the trail.
- A three-phase secondary service at 118 San Juan Avenue was relocated.
- More Nighthawk Disconnect Meters were added to our system.
- The crew did some troubleshooting on fusing behind Family Dollar so that more cut-outs can be added.
- We started inspecting our Christmas decorations.

SOLAR Accounts

The total kWh returned to the system was 11,141 from 23 customers. A total of \$602 was rebated at the avoided cost.

There are currently 35 solar customers.

System Update

The crew started putting up Christmas decorations.

La Junta Municipal Utilities

10/31/2023

TO: ARKANSAS RIVER POWER AUTHORITY

Generation Fee \$0.0044 per kwh generated:	0	\$0.00
Fuel fee \$2.23 per gallon diesel:	0	\$0.00
	Total:	\$0.00

Estimated kW Demand 14,743 Estimated kWh 6,478,665

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La Junta Municipal Light Plant

Monthly Report

MONTH/YEAR Oct. 2023

DATA FROM ION METER MONTHLY SCREEN

ION SWD Peak Demand: 14743 Date: 10-2-23 Time: 1:06 PM

ION SWD Min Demand: 4990 Date: 10-27-23 Time: 4:06 AM

ION KWH NET: ~~5826243~~ 6,478,665

DATA FROM PLANT CONSUMPTION METER SCREEN AND PREVIOUS MONTH REPORT

CURRENT - PREVIOUS = TOTAL

METER 1 KWH READING: 264451 259075 5376

METER 2 KWH READING: 0 0 0

METER 3 KWH READING: 289630 281467 8163

PLANT USAGE TOTAL: 13539

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FILE IN MONTHLY REPORT BOOK

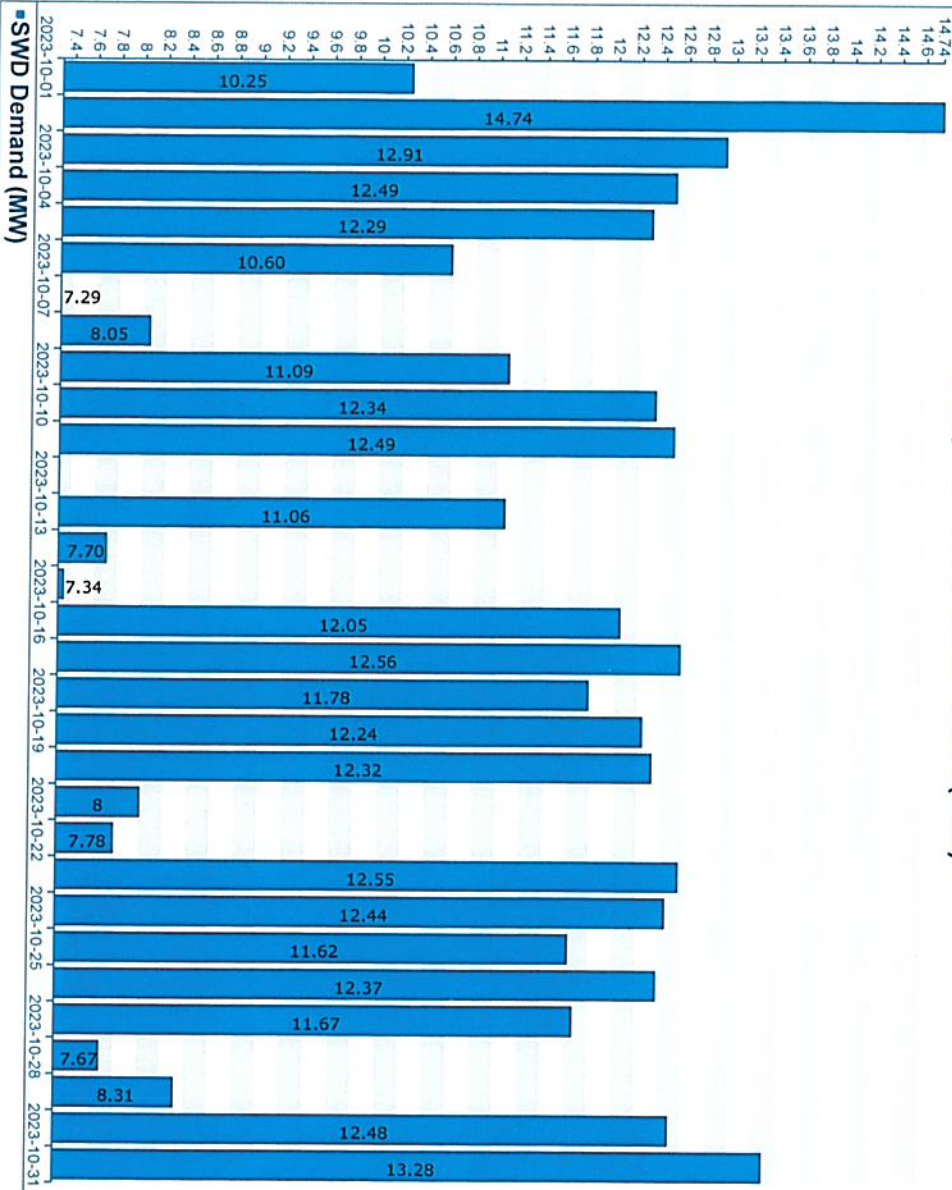
POWER PURCHASE FROM ARPA & ELECTRIC COST ADJUSTMENT

TOTAL SYSTEM KWH						ARPA SYSTEM DEMAND IN KW					
MONTH	2020	2021	2022	2023		MONTH	2020	2021	2022	2023	
JAN.	6,838,459	6,509,858	6,703,138	6,935,357		JAN.	13,263	13,228	13,369	14,566	
FEB.	6,437,824	6,338,684	6,097,119	6,225,931		FEB.	13,216	13,801	14,377	14,024	
MAR.	6,377,793	6,262,105	6,251,302	6,438,367		MAR.	12,445	12,890	13,028	12,739	
APR.	6,146,119	5,883,648	5,615,592	5,778,686		APR.	12,729	12,411	12,235	12,575	
MAY	6,839,689	6,018,738	6,330,071	6,374,124		MAY	16,330	13,595	16,191	14,150	
JUN.	8,467,097	7,732,213	7,547,337	6,543,361		JUN.	18,855	19,127	18,005	17,275	
JUL.	9,174,572	8,824,479	8,748,814	8,468,800		JUL.	19,398	19,139	19,454	20,020	
AUG.	8,951,950	8,709,126	8,580,511	8,807,034		AUG.	19,224	18,131	19,656	19,789	
SEP.	6,719,670	7,279,536	7,148,695	7,047,960		SEP.	16,436	17,690	18,094	18,598	
OCT.	6,267,374	5,880,224	6,054,662	6,478,665		OCT.	12,461	12,562	12,537	14,743	
NOV.	5,870,341	5,702,931	6,162,176			NOV.	12,172	11,479	12,625		
DEC.	6,400,563	6,072,677	6,664,825			DEC.	12,693	12,663	13,495		
	84,491,451	81,214,219	81,904,242	69,098,285			179,222	176,716	183,066	158,479	
ELECTRIC COST ADJUSTMENT PER KWH											
MONTH	2020	2021	2022	2023							
JAN.	0.0474188	0.0432884	0.0443296	0.0448092							
FEB.	0.047903	0.045325	0.0463651	0.0457843							
MAR.	0.0477001	0.0445516	0.044582	0.0439096							
APR.	0.0478737	0.0449161	0.0453687	0.0452284							
MAY	0.0497665	0.0456373	0.0472119	0.0452418							
JUN.	0.0482029	0.0465418	0.0463289	0.04781							
JUL.	0.0474313	0.0445974	0.0447391	0.0457028							
AUG.	0.0480799	0.0441317	0.0455374	0.0449125							
SEP.	0.0498801	0.0464903	0.0471618	0.0476422							
OCT.	0.0480593	0.0452851	0.0448514								
NOV.	0.0479884	0.0443187	0.0440813								
DEC.	0.0469345	0.0443079	0.0439199								
AVERAGE	0.04810321	0.0449493	0.0453731	0.0456712							

La Junta Monthly Energy and Demand Report: October

Demand Statistics			
Item Name	Max	TimeOfMax	TimeOfMin
ION MW Demand	14.74	2023-10-02 13:30:00	2023-10-22 04:30:00
			Min
	4.99		

Daily SWD Demand Power (MW)

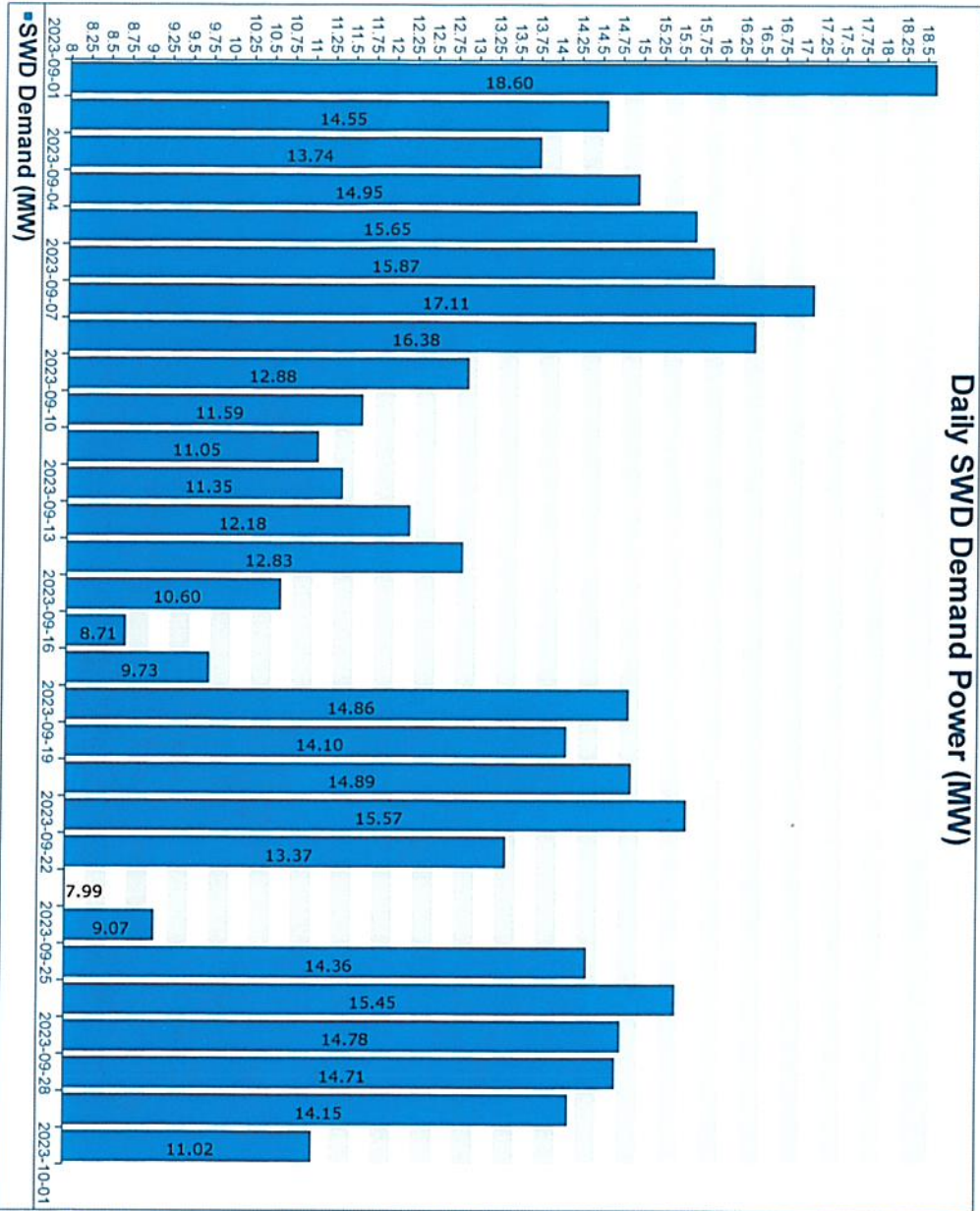


Daily SWD Demand Power		
Date of Daily Max	Time of Daily Max	SWD Demand (MW)
N/A	N/A	N/A
2023-10-01	15:30:00	10.2 (MW)
2023-10-02	13:30:00	14.7 (MW)
2023-10-03	16:30:00	12.9 (MW)
2023-10-04	16:30:00	12.5 (MW)
2023-10-05	17:30:00	12.3 (MW)
2023-10-06	16:30:00	10.6 (MW)
2023-10-07	14:30:00	7.3 (MW)
2023-10-08	17:30:00	8.1 (MW)
2023-10-09	17:30:00	11.1 (MW)
2023-10-10	14:30:00	12.3 (MW)
2023-10-11	13:30:00	12.5 (MW)
2023-10-12	09:30:00	11.1 (MW)
2023-10-13	09:30:00	7.7 (MW)
2023-10-14	11:30:00	7.2 (MW)
2023-10-15	15:30:00	7.3 (MW)
2023-10-16	11:30:00	12.0 (MW)
2023-10-17	17:30:00	12.6 (MW)
2023-10-18	11:30:00	11.8 (MW)
2023-10-19	16:30:00	12.2 (MW)
2023-10-20	17:30:00	12.3 (MW)
2023-10-21	15:30:00	8.0 (MW)
2023-10-22	17:30:00	7.8 (MW)
2023-10-23	17:30:00	12.6 (MW)
2023-10-24	14:30:00	12.4 (MW)
2023-10-25	10:30:00	11.6 (MW)
2023-10-26	17:30:00	12.4 (MW)
2023-10-27	11:30:00	11.7 (MW)
2023-10-28	11:30:00	7.7 (MW)
2023-10-29	13:30:00	8.3 (MW)
2023-10-30	09:30:00	12.5 (MW)
2023-10-31	11:30:00	13.3 (MW)
Monthly Max Demand (MW)		14.7 (MW)
Monthly Min Demand (MW)		7.3 (MW)

La Junta Monthly Energy and Demand Report: September

Demand Statistics			
Item Name	Max	TimeOfMax	TimeOfMin
ION MW Demand	18.60	2023-09-01 16:30:00	2023-09-16 04:30:00

Daily SWD Demand Power (MW)



SWD Demand (MW)

Daily SWD Demand Power		
Date of Daily Max	Time of Daily Max	SWD Demand (MW)
2023-09-01	16:30:00	18.6 (MW)
2023-09-02	17:30:00	14.6 (MW)
2023-09-03	17:30:00	13.7 (MW)
2023-09-04	17:30:00	14.9 (MW)
2023-09-05	18:30:00	15.7 (MW)
2023-09-06	17:30:00	15.9 (MW)
2023-09-07	16:30:00	17.1 (MW)
2023-09-08	16:30:00	16.4 (MW)
2023-09-09	17:30:00	12.9 (MW)
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2023-09-11	11:30:00	11.0 (MW)
2023-09-12	16:30:00	11.3 (MW)
2023-09-13	16:30:00	12.2 (MW)
2023-09-14	13:30:00	12.8 (MW)
2023-09-15	13:30:00	10.6 (MW)
2023-09-16	17:30:00	8.7 (MW)
2023-09-17	17:30:00	9.7 (MW)
2023-09-18	16:30:00	14.9 (MW)
2023-09-19	16:30:00	14.1 (MW)
2023-09-20	16:30:00	14.9 (MW)
2023-09-21	16:30:00	15.6 (MW)
2023-09-22	16:30:00	13.4 (MW)
2023-09-23	15:30:00	8.0 (MW)
2023-09-24	18:30:00	9.1 (MW)
2023-09-25	16:30:00	14.4 (MW)
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2023-09-28	17:30:00	14.7 (MW)
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2023-09-30	15:30:00	11.0 (MW)
Monthly Max Demand (MW)		18.6 (MW)
Monthly Min Demand (MW)		8.0 (MW)



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INVOICE

November 15, 2023

STATEMENT: LA JUNTA MUNICIPAL UTILITIES

POWER SALES FOR THE MONTH OF :

October

ENERGY		6,460,893 kWh x	0.08836	=	\$570,884.51
DEMAND	Date: 10/02/2023 Hour: 1400	14,743 kW x	5.49000	=	\$80,939.07
SUBTRANSMISSION		0 kWh x	-	=	\$0.00
RGR Generation, Avoided Cost Credit		11,141 kWh x	0.05423	=	(\$604.18)
Debt Service Adder (October)		6,460,893 kWh x	0.00869	=	\$56,145.16
Energy Cost Adj (September)		7,047,960 kWh x	-	=	\$0.00
Return of Reserves (September)		7,047,960 kWh x	\$0.00746	=	(\$52,577.78)
TOTAL					\$654,786.78

As Metered	6,478,665
Less SECPA Headquarters	(28,913)
Gross Generation	0
RGR Generation, Avoided Cost	11,141
RGR Generation, PPA	0
Less Station Service	0
TOTAL kWhs	6,460,893

	2023	2022
Demand	14,743	12,537
Energy	6,460,893	6,054,662

The Avoided Cost Rate for October-23 \$0.05423 /kWh

Statements shall be due and payable to the Authority within ten (10) days after the statement is received.

ARPA Member Municipalities: Holly 1 La Junta 1 Lamar 1 Las Animas 1 Springfield 1 Trinidad

SANITATION

REVENUES

October revenues were \$109,600. This was \$24,000 above the estimated budget of \$85,600. Comparatively, it is a 20% increase from 2022. Year-to-date revenue is at 77%. Budget shows it should be at 83%. The October residential and commercial landfill weight is included below.

CUSTOMERS	2023	2022	+/-	PERCENT CHANGE	TONNAGE	
RESIDENTIAL	2,810	2,822	(12)	-0.43%	OPEN TOP	95.38
COMMERCIAL	433	562	(129)	-29.79%	COMPACTOR	4.80
INDUSTRIAL	11	12	(1)	0.00%	RESIDENTIAL	227.98
MUNICIPAL	18	25	(7)	-38.89%	COMMERCIAL	150.44
					ROLL OFFS	90.23
	3,272	3,421	(149)	-4.55%		568.83

Recycling revenues have increased steadily since its inception. There were 243 accounts participating in curbside pick-up in October. In 2022, only 234 residents participated. October residential/commercial landfill weight is as follows:

TONS	2023	2022	+/-	PERCENT CHANGE
OTERO COUNTY LANDFILL	546.32	556.88	(10.56)	-1.93%
SOUTHEAST RECYCLING	17.51	17.67	(0.16)	-0.91%
CLEAN VALLEY - CURBSIDE	3.23	3.04	0.20	6.04%
CLEAN VALLEY - TRAILER	3.00	1.52	1.49	49.50%
	570.06	579.10	(9.04)	-1.59%

Total revenues were above the 2022 by \$22,200. Other income is as follows:

ITEM	2023 OCTOBER	2022 OCTOBER	2023 YTD	2022 YTD	+/-	PERCENT CHANGE
SPECIAL PICK-UP	5	14	54	55	-1	-1.85%
40-YD BOXES	25	17	269	211	58	21.56%
20-YD BOXES	9	17	173	125	48	27.75%
OVERAGES	8	5	120	94	26	21.67%
COMPACTOR	5.00	6.00	39.00	36.00	3.00	7.69%
TRX STATION (OPEN BOX)	34.64	68.31	312.91	287.95	24.96	7.98%
TRX STATION (COMPACTOR)	5	12	158	106	52	32.78%
TOTE REPLACEMENT	4	4	51	114	-63	-123.53%

EXPENSES

Total sanitation expenses were \$144,700. This is \$41,000 above the October budget of \$103,700.

	2023	2022	+/-	PERCENT CHANGE
EXPENSES	109,470	95,580	13,890	12.69%
ADMINISTRATION	12,326	11,806	520	4.22%
DEPRECIATION	3,723	3,445	278	7.46%
OTHER	19,173	-	19,173	0.00%
	144,692	110,831	33,861	23.40%

RESOLUTION NO. RUB-3-2023

WHEREAS, the Board of Utilities Commissioners of the City of La Junta have determined that it would be necessary to make additional expenditures in various City Utility Funds; and

WHEREAS, the Electric Fund and Waste Water Fund, anticipates expenditures not otherwise anticipated at the time of the creation of the 2023 budget; and

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

BE IT RECOMMENDED by the Board of Utilities Commissioners of the City of La Junta that the City Council amend the 2023 operating budget as follows:

SECTION 1. Electric Fund - That an additional \$147,000.00 be appropriated for the following expenditures:

A. That the expenditures shall be for the following:

- 1. Atwell Service\$ 40,000.00
- 2. Airport Substations\$107,000.00

B. That the revenue sources shall be as follows:

- 1. Retained Earnings\$147,000.00

SECTION 2. Waste Water Fund - That an additional \$187,600.00 be appropriated for the following expenditures:

A. That the expenditures shall be for the following:

- 1. Phase 1 Repairs to Emergency Generator\$ 53,700.00
- 2. Sludge Disposal\$133,900.00

B. That the revenue sources shall be as follows:

- 1. Retained Earnings\$187,600.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be forwarded to the City Council with the request of the Council to amend the 2023 Budget accordingly.

RESOLVED this 21st day of November, 2023.

**CITY OF LA JUNTA
BOARD OF UTILITIES COMMISSIONERS**

Frank McKenzie, Chairman

ATTEST:

Melanie R. Scofield, City Clerk

PROMISSORY NOTE

\$620,000.00

November __, 2023
La Junta, Colorado

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, **CITY OF LA JUNTA WATER FUND** promises to pay to the order of **CITY OF LA JUNTA INTERNAL SERVICES FUND**, at P.O. Box 489, La Junta, Colorado, 81050, or at such other place as the Payee or other holder may direct in writing, the principal sum of Six Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$620,000.00), with interest on the outstanding principal balance at the rate of three percent (3%) per annum from the date hereof until paid in full.

Principal and accrued interest shall be payable due upon written demand. All payments received shall be applied first to accrued interest and then to the retirement of principal. In the event any monthly payment is not paid within ten (10) days of the date such payment is due, Maker shall pay a late charge of 4% of the payment as a late penalty. If this Note is not paid when due or declared due hereunder, the principal and accrued interest thereon shall draw interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum. This Note may be prepaid in whole or in part at any time and from time to time without premium or penalty.

Each Maker and endorser, and any other person who is now or may hereafter become primarily or secondarily liable for the payment of this Note or any portion thereof, (a) waives presentment, notice of dishonor, and protest, (b) agrees to one or more extension of time of payment of all or any part of this Note, for any length of time, (c) agrees that the Payee or other holder may release, agree not to sue, suspend its rights to enforce this Note against, or otherwise discharge or deal with any person against whom such Maker, and endorser, or other person has a right of recourse, and may release, fail or agree not to enforce or perfect its rights in or against, or otherwise deal with any collateral for the payment of this Note, or any portion thereof, and (d) if this Note or interest thereon is not paid when due, or suit is brought, agrees to pay all reasonable costs of collection, including a reasonable attorney's fee.

If any payment of principal or interest is not paid promptly when due, the Payee or other holder may declare the entire outstanding principal balance of the Note, and all accrued interest, immediately due and payable, without notice or demand.

CITY OF LA JUNTA INTERNAL SERVICES
FUND

By: _____

Due: Upon Demand

INTERNAL SERVICES FUND/WATER FUND

NOTE PAYMENT RECORD

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