

MINUTES OF THE DAM ACTION COMMITTEE
OTTER POND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.
August 20, 2022

HOA Members Present: Kristie Sanchez, Mindy Clagett, (Christine Files, proxy)
Dam Committee and Guests: George Sanchez, Tim Heavers, Tadd King, Tom Clagett,
Brian Briggs
Call to Order 8:07 am

TO ADDRESS THE NORTH END SPILLWAY/DAM REPAIR

In an effort to proactively pursue the best outcome for this situation involving our pond, we are seeking all possible interventions. Understanding that dam failure goes quick on a geometric timeline, immediate action can save further complications.

Jason Ward, Dam Safety Engineer for Colorado Division of Water Resources, supplied his inspection report, and the findings have reinforced the urgency to lower the pond water level immediately. Pipes have already been ordered to siphon the water out, but delivery is estimated, but not guaranteed, Aug 25. Brian Briggs has resources to help expedite the water removal. He recommends that we rent a pump and use some pipe he may borrow.

As long as we can maintain the lowered water level, we probably do not need to further restrict the intake volume, but if it is necessary, Tadd King will contact UVWUA to completed shut down the intake water. Currently, we have diminished the flow to 40%. It should not be a concern for the canal volume down stream to absorb our outtake flow.

Kristie Sanchez will contact our lawyer, and continue to transparently communicate our efforts to go above and beyond to restore our dam. She is meeting with our insurance agent this coming week to go over liability limits in case of a dam breach. She is also going to inquire about our water storage rights.

Once repaired, we will establish quarterly inspections of the dam going forward.

We still do not have cost or repair time estimates. This meeting is to approve the rental of a pump to begin immediate water level reduction; to plan and delegate who is to contact engineers, lawyers, insurance agents and others to help us safely navigate this; and to share knowledge of resources to help with the process

Meeting adjourned at 9:01am
Minutes submitted by Mindy Clagett, HOA Secretary.