

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 BUDGET HEARING
HYBRID MEETING: IN-PERSON ~ VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM
Tuesday, May 19, 2026 at 6:00pm ~ Corbett Fire Hall 36930 E Hist. Col. Riv. Hwy

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Michael Arion, Erika Bronson, Dan Graff, Angie Kimpo, Andrew Parker

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: District Manager Andrew Dirks, District Clerk Kelsey Zavoral, District Clerk Heather McGivney, Clerk Lynda Ronell

AMENDED AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order** – Board President Erika Bronson called the meeting to order at 6:01pm.
- 2. Roll Call** – All Board members were present. Andrew Parker arrived at 6:04pm.
- 3. Approval of the Agenda** – Dan Graff moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Michael Arion (*motion passed 4 yes votes: M. Arion, E. Bronson, D. Graff, A. Kimpo; 0 no votes*).
- 4. Tax Supervising and Conservation Commission (TSCC) Certification Letter**
 - Heather McGivney read Multnomah County Tax Supervising and Conservation Commission's Certification letter into the record. The TSCC completed its review of Corbett Water District's Fiscal Year 2026-27 Approved Budget and certified compliance with Oregon local budget laws. The Commission found the budget estimates reasonable and had no objections or recommendations. They request that the District file a complete copy of the Adopted Budget with the Commission no later than July 15, 2026.
- 5. Review of the Approved Budget and Recommended Changes**
 - There were few recommended changes to the Approved Budget that was passed by the Budget Committee in April. In Resources, the net working capital was increased to \$980,000 as a more accurate estimate of where our bank balance will be at the start of the new fiscal year. In Personnel Services, there was a small increase in health insurance because we added orthodontia coverage. The salary estimate for utility workers was increased because they are pursuing certifications; their salary increases also affect cost of living, Social Security & Medicare taxes, and pension. In Materials and Services, membership fees were added back because they had been omitted from the Approved Budget due to a typo.
 - The suggested changes result in an approximately \$86,000 decrease in the amount that can be allocated to Contingency or the Unappropriated Ending Fund Balance. Andrew Dirks noted that there is a lot of flexibility in the timing of some of our spending, and if we feel that our bank balance is getting too low toward the end of the fiscal year, we can delay or curtail spending on certain budget items like computer upgrades and mainline repairs.
- 6. Public Comments**
 - Kelly Piper asked if we were allowed to change the Budget, since the Approved Budget has already been submitted to Multnomah County? Heather answered that the changes the Board will discuss tonight will be reflected in the Adopted Budget.

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- Matt Bruton agreed with Andrew Dirks' analysis and said that the way our system is set up, we have a lot of leeway for allocating funds to different projects. He thinks we are in a good spot, and said that he doesn't expect that all of the money allocated in this budget will be spent.

7. Board Questions and Deliberation

- Dan Graff agreed with Andrew Dirks and Matt Bruton that we can monitor the budget and delay projects until the following year if we are getting low on funds. Andrew Dirks added that this is especially true if we are considering small projects where it is possible to plan ahead. Michael Arion pointed out that the fiscal year begins in July and we will be receiving revenue pretty quickly from the June billing cycle. The Board then discussed whether to put the surplus into Contingency or Unappropriated Ending Fund Balance. Dan pointed out that there would be greater flexibility if all of the money was put into Contingency and zero into the Unappropriated Ending Fund Balance. A safeguard is that reallocating Contingency money requires Board approval. Michael agreed that putting it all in Contingency would give us greater flexibility and we could tap into it if we needed it. There was general agreement to allocate the entire surplus to Contingency and leave the Unappropriated Ending Funding Balance at zero.

8. Finalizing Figures for Resolution 2026.06.16 of the Corbett Water District Adopting the Budget, Imposing the Tax, and Categorizing the Tax for Fiscal Year 2026-27

- Heather will write the Budget Resolution based on the Board's decisions. The Budget Resolution is expected to pass at our Regular Monthly Board meeting on June 16, 2026.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING – Board President Erika Bronson adjourned the meeting at 6:17pm.