

DURANGO WEST II

Metro District News

January/February 2020 Newsletter

Watch out for Icicles

Many residents have lots of icicles on their roofs this winter. Along with watching out for them falling on yourself, check your hose bibs as well periodically. Last winter and spring, several people found their outside water spigots/hose bibs turned on by falling icicles. Already this winter, there has been one confirmed case. Checking your outside spigots or fitting them with some type of cover can save water and unnecessary added expense on your water bill.



be returned to the DEO via the DW2 drop box under the window at the Mail Building by close of business (4 p.m.) February 28th or received by that deadline by mail at: P.O. Box 1092, Durango, CO 81302 per Colorado law. District Board Members are volunteers who dedicate approximately 5 hours each month to make important decisions regarding your water, sewer, road and recreation systems. Board meetings are the third Wednesday of every month at 6 p.m. Call a current Board Member if you would like to learn more.

No Parking on Streets or Cul de Sacs



Durango West 2 Metro District prohibits parking on all streets and cul de sacs in DW2. Vehicles, trailers, etc., parked on the street present a safety hazard to our children and residents and greatly hinder snowplowing efforts.

Call for Nominations

Four board positions will be up for election in May 2020. The State is transitioning the years in which elections will be held so three board members elected in 2020 will be serving a three year term and one will be serving a two year term. As a Special District, our election is regulated by the Colorado Secretary of State. District Manager Jane Looney will serve as our Designated Elections Official (DEO). Self-nomination forms will be available for any District resident or District property owner interested in running for a position on the Board. You must be registered to vote in the state of Colorado. Contact Jane to obtain a form. All self-nomination forms must



2020 Board Meetings Time and Place



The Durango West 2 Board adopted its meeting time and location for 2020. Meetings will be held the third Wednesday of the month at 6 p.m. in the Mail Building at the DW2 entrance. Agendas are posted at the Community Bulletin board at the mail building. The Board elected officers at their January meeting. Wayne Schrader will serve as President, Beverly Lawrence as Vice-President and Carly Thomson as Secretary/Treasurer.

REMINDER: New Water Rates begin January 1, 2020

0-6,000 gallons included in monthly metro fee

6,001 – 8,000 gallons:	\$7 per thousand gallons
8,001 – 10,000 gallons:	\$10 per thousand gallons
10,001 – 15,000 gallons:	\$15 per thousand gallons
15,001 – 30,000 gallons:	\$25 per thousand gallons
30,000+ gallons:	\$50 per thousand gallons

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Dave Crom Retires from Board

Dave Crom has been a dedicated board member since August 2006. For almost 15 years, he has volunteered his time to giving back to this community by serving on the board. His background in business and in working with people were great assets to the Board over the years as was his sense of humor. He is retiring to spend more time on the road in his luxury RV and to play pickleball. If you see him around the neighborhood, please thank him for his service. Many thanks to him and all our dedicated Board Members.

New Water Operator in 2020

The District has contracted with a new water operator in 2020. Dave Marsa has been our wastewater operator for over two years and will now oversee both water and wastewater for the district. He brings 25 years of experience as a water operator and holds the highest state certification level for water treatment. Additionally, this change will result in cost savings for the district. Residents who have water or sewer issues can continue to contact the district or reach him at 759-1609.

2020 Fire Mitigation Projects

The DW2 Metro District routinely performs fire mitigation in the green-space and open areas that we collectively own. We have contracted with FireSmart to continue mitigation this spring. The focus will be the perimeter land surrounding our neighborhood, the “triangle” located roughly between the 100-200 block of Oak Drive and Spruce Court, and areas adjacent to the emergency exit at the end of Aspen Drive. We are coordinating a meeting in late February for residents to learn more and have any concerns addressed. The owner of FireSmart will be at the meeting. We will keep you posted on the date and time for this meeting.

Bill Pay Bank Checks Reminder

Just a reminder to residents that monthly district payments must be received by the district by the 4th of each month. Many residents choose to pay their bill via a “Bill Pay” option through their banks where the bank drafts a

check and mails it. This puts you at the mercy of the postal service and can result in late receipt by the district, which means you are subject to late fees. In order to avoid this, please build some time into your banking cycle so that we receive these checks by the 4th of each month. Alternatively, you can sign up for autopay through DW2. With autopay, your payment is always drawn on the 5th of each month – one day after the due date, and you can be sure to avoid late fees. This is a paperless option that is more cost effective for your bank as well as the district. To set up autopay, email dw2@mydurango.net and we can send you an easy form to fill out.

Drive and Walk Safely, Especially on Icy Roads!



Winter is here and it is important to remember that roads may become quite slick in the subdivision in the coming months. Please slow down and take your time while traveling through the neighborhood, particularly on wintery days. Be considerate of your neighbors walking on the streets by reducing your speed and exercising more caution especially around curves. In the winter when it’s more difficult for cars to maneuver and stop, it’s important that people walking on the road stay close to one side of the road to ensure safe passage of two vehicles as well as the pedestrians.

Join the DW2 Email List

With winter approaching, it is a good time to sign up for the DW2 email list. It is the best way for us to notify residents of snow plow updates or issues such as water break emergencies. To add your email address to the DW2 email list, please send an email to dw2@mydurango.net



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***** Next Meeting is February 19, 2019 at 6 p.m. at the Mail House *****

District Manager

Jane Looney

259-3946 • dw2@mydurango.net

Water Operator

Dave Marsa

759-1609

District Accountant

Fred Owen

385-2518

Board Members

Carly Thomson • 759-9156 • Treasurer • May 2020 **Wendell Qualls • 946-6755 • Director • May 2020**
Wayne Schrader • 317-5109 • President • May 2020 **Beverly Lawrence • 799-2775 • VP • May 2022**

DURANGO WEST II BUSINESS BRIEFS:

The Business Briefs section of the newsletter is provided as a free service to current DW2 residents who wish to have their business or service listed. If you would like to have a listing, please email your brief to dw2@mydurango.net.

- ▶ House sitting and pet care when you are away! Let me ease your worries and take care of your home.
Tutoring: K-8 in all subject areas.
Licensed in CO & NM with 20 yrs of classroom experience.
Plexus: An all-natural, plant based line of health & wellness products that help regulate your body to work more efficiently. We offer weight loss, detoxification, pain relief, vitamins, and so much more. Contact Carrie at 259-4599.
- ▶ Big Toy Boat, RV & Mini Storage provides storage options for Household & Business, Boats, Campers & RV's at competitive prices. Wendell & Vindred Qualls @ 970-247-2680, or www.BigToyStorageDurango.com
- ▶ Holistic Chiropractor. Dr. Robert Stein. In practice since 1985. DWII homeowner since 1996. Call 382-8500. www.drrobertstein.com
- ▶ House sitting and/or pet care. What are your needs? Overnights? Feeding? Walking? I'm retired, reliable, responsible and a resident (of DW2). Call Ken Hibbard 970-749-1378
- ▶ Lawn mowing and weed trimming services: Call Mason O'Bannon at 970-946-6041. Very reasonable prices as 13 years old - jobs starting at \$15.
- ▶ Certified babysitter and can care for your pets and plants while you are gone. I am responsible, caring and reliable and love spending time with children and pets. I am a licensed driver with reliable transportation. Please call Cassandra at (970)-317-1439
- ▶ Kokikai Durango Japanese Martial Arts: Practical self-defense & personal development through traditional training. Classes Mon and Thurs at 6:00 pm & Sat at 9 am in the Durango Recreation Center. Contact Thomas Holmes at (970) 799-7632 or visit www.kokikaidurango.com.
- ▶ Zumba With Donna Middleton. Classes at the Smiley Building 2nd floor dance studio. Wed. 5:45 pm. Fri. 1:30 pm. Sat. 8:45 am. Twice a month Sun. 9:00am. Call Donna @ 759-9944
- ▶ Cedar Enterprises LLC specializes in fire mitigation/fuels reduction in or around dwellings. Call for an estimate. Cedar wood cords neighborhood special \$250. Contact Bryan at 769-3438
- ▶ Aspen Roof Repair, LLC. Owned and operated by Nathan Ekola, a DW2 resident since 2009. Roofer of the neighborhood mail house. Fully insured. Roof repairs, maintenance, & snow removal. 970.903.5303. aspenroofrepair.com
- ▶ San Juan Paralegal Services; Contract Paralegal. Over 10 years of experience. Areas of knowledge include: Criminal Law, Civil Litigation, Personal Injury, Family, Business/Contracts, Trademarks. Contact Molly Pagano at (303) 881-4631.
- ▶ Join a Reiki class with Licensed Reiki Master Teacher, Teresa Jantz. Classes are held at Cafe of Life downtown Durango. Reiki is a stress reduction technique that promotes healing for the mind, body and spirit that anyone can learn. All levels offered. Learn more and register at www.TouchpointTherapy.com or call Teresa at 970-903-2547.
- ▶ ABC Plumbing & Heating is available for plumbing & hot water heater service, repairs & remodels. Call 970-764-4315, www.abcplumbingdurango.com
- ▶ Are you ready to sell? Staging your house is key to getting top dollar. We also do Interior Design. With over 20 years of design experience, we can help! And we are right here in DWII. Call Maria at Spruce It Up Durango at 303-912-1279 for your consultation. www.spruceitupdurango.com.
- ▶ Dance with Wendy Graham Settle. Private lessons for weddings, reunions, and special occasions or "just for fun" including Swing, Latin, Blues, Waltz, and Two-Step. Fun and easy barn dances for groups of all ages and sizes with live music! Monthly dances at the Smiley building for all ages 1 to 100, and teen and adults. No partner or experience needed. Contact: 970.903.9402, perkypantsdance@gmail.com, or go to www.perkypantsdance.com.

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