

DURANGO WEST II

Metro District News

OCTOBER 2020 Newsletter

Street Sweeping Needs Your Cooperation

The District will be conducting its fall street sweeping sometime the last week of October, pending weather and status of needle drop. Please do not park vehicles or trailers in the street or partially on the street/gutter section.

Also, please move anything you may have at the bottom of your driveway to bridge your driveway and the street such as rubber, wood, or other material during these days. These present a major issue to our street sweeper both in time and effectiveness. Thank you for your cooperation.



2020 Budget Hearing

The Board will review and discuss the proposed 2021 Budget at the October 21st meeting. Thank you to those residents who have submitted ideas for future expenditures. If you would like to have input on the 2021 Budget, please contact a Board Member, or attend the next meeting. The 2021 Budget will be adopted, according to state law, at the November meeting.

Mail Boxes and Parcel Lockers

Do not put any stickers or write anything on your mailbox at the mail building. It does not belong to you and is therefore vandalism. In fact, we would appreciate it if you took your stickers off if you have them on currently. It has gotten a bit out of control over the past year. Good News: the District added an additional 2 box parcel locker to assist in the increase in packages, especially this time of year.

Fire Mitigation Update

The District completed fire mitigation around the pond and the trail leading from Oak Drive to the pond, including removing a few invasive Russian Ol-

ive trees. In addition to the mitigation benefit, we got the bonus of this work helping the area to look aesthetically better as well opening up some vistas. Check it out.

Remove Your Dead Trees

Fall is a great time to remove your dead or sick trees.



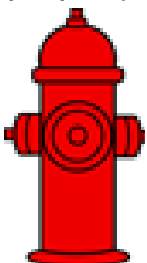
It is important to do from a fire mitigation perspective as well as keeping other trees on your property and surrounding area healthy.

Dog Owners

Please remember that dogs must be either kept on a leash or under voice control while in the greenbelt space or on the road. Residents enjoy walking, running and biking our streets and should feel safe while doing so. Several residents have complained recently regarding dogs acting aggressively toward them or their dogs. If you spot an aggressive or uncontrolled dog, you can contact Animal Control at Central Dispatch at 385-2900. Dog waste must be picked up by the dog owner. Please be a responsible pet owner and pick up after your dog and respect other people's property. This also applies to the trails and the roads.

Accessibility of District Utilities and Traffic Signs

Reminder to all residents who have District traffic signs or facilities on an easement on your property, including sewer manholes, water curb stops, and fire hydrants: you must maintain adequate access to these facilities. Manholes, fire hydrants and water valves are not to be covered in landscaping which includes bushes, tree branches, etc.



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Curb and Gutter Reminder

Residents are reminded that (i) the District owns and maintains the street system, including paving, curbs and gutters; and (ii) no alterations are permitted. If you use a ramp type device at the end of your driveway, you must keep it clear of debris and allow for water to flow underneath. If it does not, damage to the road and road/curb connection is likely to occur.

Properly Dispose of FOG (Fats, Oils and Grease)

Please do not put cooking oil, greases or fats down your drain. These are potential problems for the sewer collection system. They create clogs which can create back up events and which are not efficiently broken down by our lagoon systems. Therefore, we have to pay someone every year to clean out grease balls. Help keep your plumbing cost down and help us minimize sewer and wastewater maintenance expenses by properly disposing of all oil and greases.



No Parking – Keep Roads Safe

Parking on District streets is prohibited under Resolution 2004-03, It is a safety hazard as we do not have sidewalks in the subdivision. No one wants to be responsible for someone or someone's pet getting hurt because they parked in the street. It also greatly hinders our maintenance efforts. Please park vehicles including RVs in your private driveways and remind your guests and neighbors of our policy.

Bears and Trash

Bears are already out and will soon be looking for even more food on their quest to fatten up for winter. Please do not leave birdfeeders or pet food dishes out



at night. Do NOT leave your trash can out before the morning of pick-up. Residents must either leave their trash containers in a garage until the day of pick-up and put the container back inside by the end of the day or have a bear-proof garbage container. La Plata County has an ordinance that fines residents at least \$200 for not securing trash containers from wildlife. To report a violation, Central Dispatch at 385-2900. Check out bearsmartdurango.org for more resources. Bear Smart Durango is urging residents to use excess fruit instead of leaving it on or under trees. Although household trash is the primary source of local bear/human conflicts, unused ripened fruit is another. Please clean up fruit from yards and the street. Extra fruit can be used for livestock feed, human consumption and composting. An additional benefit of



using or cleaning up all available fruit is a reduced likelihood of tree damage by bears. To access the Fruit Gleaning Hub, which helps residents find businesses and individuals seeking excess fruit, visit

<http://fruitglean.org>.

Save Time, Paper, Postage AND Pay the Last Date Possible

Residents can have their DW2 monthly payment automatically drafted from their bank account each month. You do not have to think about writing or sending in a check, finding an envelope or postage, or getting it in on time. BONUS: your payment doesn't get drawn from your account until the 5th of the month! Just email dw2@mydurango.net to sign up

Contact Information

Please make sure we have a current email address and phone number to contact you. Send an email to dw2@mydurango.net with both your phone number and email address, so we have a way to contact you if there is a need.



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*** Next Meeting is October 21, 2020 at 6 p.m. at the Mail House***

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Water Operator

Dave Marsa

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District Accountant

Fred Owen

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Wayne Schrader • 317-5109 • President • May 2023 Wendell Qualls • 946-6755 • Director • May 2022
Carly Thomson • 759-9156 • Treasurer • May 2023 David Cramer • 739-3681 • Director • May 2023
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! Tutoring: K-8 in all subject areas. Licensed 20 yrs of classroom experience.
- Plexus: An all-natural, plant based line of health & wellness products. 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 including walking. I'm retired, reliable, responsible. Call Ken Hibbard 970-749-1378
- ▶ Lawn mowing and weed trimming services: Call Mason O'Bannon at 970-946-6041. Experienced 15 year old with own mower, weed trimmer and gas. \$20 per hour.
- ▶ Pet and plant care from a caring, reliable college student. Call or text Cassandra at 970-317-1439.
- ▶ Kokikai Durango Japanese Martial Arts: Practical self-defense & personal development through traditional training. 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. 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. Reiki is a stress reduction technique. 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.abcpumbingdurango.com
- ▶ Dance with Wendy Graham Settle. Private lessons for weddings, reunions, and special occasions including Swing, Latin, Blues, Waltz, and Two-Step. Contact: 970.903.9402, perkypantsdance@gmail.com, or go to www.perkypantsdance.com.
- ▶ Ali Jacobs, owner of Empowered Living, offering Massage Therapy in DW2. Call 970-903-3189. Also offering Access Bars® touch Therapy (32 points on the head) which can be used to change all areas of your life.
- ▶ Get amazing locally roasted coffee here in DW2. You've probably seen our red and blue trailer parked at the entrance on Friday's. Feel free to contact me directly at mark.rockymountainroastery@gmail or text 303.385.7755
- ▶ James' Home Improvements & Repairs - Fully Insured; James Bowkett - 970-317-1467; https://www.facebook.com/fourcornersimprov
- ▶ Hair Services: Bella Vie Hair Studio. Certified Color Specialist, trained in precision cutting techniques. Call or Text Jamie to schedule an appointment 801-671-6805



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