

DURANGO WEST METROPOLITAN DISTRICT #2  
MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING  
March 20, 2024

- I. Call to Order  
Vice-President Beverly Lawrence called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m. Other Board Members present were Directors Derek Ryter and Stephen Wells. Board members Corey Beaugh and Carly Thomson were excused. Also present: Jane Looney, District Manager. No residents attended.
- II. Election of Officers - Stephen moved that the board retain the current slate of officers – Carly Thomson as President and Beverly Lawrence as Vice-President with the addition of Derek Ryter as Treasurer. Derek seconded. Motion passed.
- III. The minutes of the February 21, 2024 Regular Meeting were presented for approval. Derek moved to approve minutes from the last meeting. Derek seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- IV. Public Comments – There were no public comments.
- V. Administration
  - A. Financials
    1. Jane presented the accounts receivable list for February 2024.
    2. Accounts payable were presented for approval. Stephen moved to approve the accounts payable. Derek seconded. Motion was approved.
    3. Financials – Financial statements ending February 29, 2024 were presented. Stacie’s written report is in Board packet.
  - B. Water & Wastewater Operations
    1. Water Operations Report – the board wants maintenance and inspections of water tanks done in a timely manner as repairing or replacing the tank would be extremely costly. They agreed Dave needs to go ahead and get the inspection done and electrodes installed; and that the well across the street is not a priority right now. Water production is back up thanks to the new pump in well #5. Dave will have the information to update the meter reading software and equipment next month. LDWA is conducting their rate study. Stephen asked if we could renegotiate terms including acquisition fees. Beverly said she doesn’t think we can’t get out of the acquisition fee amount unless the district wants to dissolve the agreement. Jane will send Stephen the LDWA agreement.
    2. Wastewater Operations Report – The wastewater plant was at its permit limit this month as ammonia was at 15 mg/l due to cold weather.
    3. DSV Update – renewal packet has been submitted. Individuals or agencies can submit questions and suggestions through mid-April. DW2 can respond in May.
  - C. Roads and Open Space
    1. Snow Removal Update – the board discussed the latest snowstorms and heavy windrows. Beverly’s complaint was resolved.

2. Open Space Update – Jane is trying to get a rough idea of pond transition plan from True Blue. She asked Punch List Professionals to revise their 2024 estimates to exclude the pond projects and granite gravel, itemize the rest and to add power washing the road from graffiti.

VI. Business

1. Review and Approve 2024 Road Projects – Stephen motioned to approve the three priority road projects for \$140,000 plus \$10,000 for crackfill/ patch areas most in need. Derek seconded. Motion passed. Beverly said that we may need to look at rate structure relative to roads because we consistently don't have enough to cover road repair each year. She said our roads are old and the more we move projects into the future, the more we pay in the long run. The board will examine ways to pay for these projects at the next meeting as they are double the amount budgeted for road repair this year.
2. Street Sign Estimate Update - Branson's new estimate itemizes signs, posts, labor. We need to complete final tally of posts and signs before emailing Branson with questions, clarifications and post/sign final list. The board discussed adding a sign and post to corner of Oak Drive and Pine Ridge Loop and one other area; and the possibility of replacing a No Outlet sign on Spruce with Emergency Exit Only sign.
3. Vandalism – Jane emailed the Sheriff's Deputy for an update on the investigation. She sent him Dave's invoice for time and materials plus other itemized details. He said he would interview this Thursday.
4. LPEA Cable Replacement Project – LPEA is replacing cables that are 40 years old and have a history of faults. The project will replace 1.5 miles of cable and run through October 2024. This will greatly impact our water and sewer lines as they are boring underground for most of it. The Board does not want LPEA putting its cored dirt/road base material at the WWTP and doesn't want it to be Dave's responsibility.
5. Other District Correspondence - What does one need to do for the district regarding an addition to their home; fast food bag of trash at the corner of Oak and Willow Drive – contact Sheriff (no); safety issue at corner of Oak and Aspen Drive brought up again – will put on next agenda.
6. Newsletter Items – bears springtime and trash; LPEA and map of project

- IV. Adjournment – Stephen motioned to adjourn meeting. Derek seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

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Jane Looney, District Manager / Secretary