

DURANGO WEST METROPOLITAN DISTRICT #2
MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING
September 18, 2019

- I. Call to Order
President Beverly Lawrence called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Other Board Members present were Directors Dave Crom, Wayne Schrader, Carly Thomson and Wendell Qualls. Also present: Jane Looney, District Manager; Tyler Whitt, Water Operator; Dave Marsa, Wastewater Operator and Fred Owen, District Accountant. Charlie, Browns- Fields representative, attended as invited. Five residents attended.

- II. The minutes of the August 21, 2019 Regular Meeting were presented for approval. Wendell made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Dave seconded the motion. Motion passed.
The minutes of the September 17, 2019 Special Budget Meeting were presented for approval. Dave made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Wendell seconded the motion. Motion passed.

- III. Administration
 - A. Financials
 1. Jane presented the accounts receivable list for August.
 2. Accounts payable were presented for approval. Board Action: Dave motioned to approve. Wayne seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 3. Financials – Financial statements ending August 31, 2019 were presented. Board decided to keep paying LPEA via check rather than online.
 4. Review 2020 Budget – Wayne, Dave Crom and Jane will meet with DW1 to discuss the Wastewater budget for 2020.
 - B. Water & Wastewater Operations
 1. Water Operations Report: The valve replacement project at Aspen Drive and Oak Drive was more involved than expected as the valves were deeper; and they had to make the hole 9 feet deep and cut out some of the curb to make the hole safe. Cutting the curb increases the cost. Leeder will fix concrete curb as soon as possible. We also replaced the PVC T-Section with cast iron.
 2. Meter Upgrade Report: Tyler told the Board he expects all meter pits to be done by end of September. Jane will send out letters from the Board to the five residents who have not responded to repeated requests.
 3. Wastewater Report: the fence will be completed the end of this week with new warning signs put up. A couple airline breaks in cell 1 caused the State violation. Dave responded to the State.
 - C. Roads and Open Space
 1. Open Space and Trails Update – Jane has looked at various options for reducing the algae next year. The four aerators, blue dye and microbes are not doing enough to prevent algae. She contacted Aquahab, our pond expert, which recommended using Cutrine if we wanted to go the herbicide route. The district will use this next season as soon as algae appears. It will also attempt to keep the pond at a higher level throughout the summer if there is sufficient water available. This also aids in keeping algae, weeds, and cattails down. Wendell thought the pond may be as big as an acre and a half,

so he calculated it would take close to 500,000 gallons to raise it a foot (325,000 gallons in 1 acre foot of water).

2. Review Snow Removal Contract – some rates went up \$5/hour. This was the first increase in over five years. Leeder has two new machines which are more expensive per hour but he says are way more efficient so the cost should come out the same. Wendell said the proposed 2019-2020 rates were not out of line. Board and residents were pleased with the job done last snow season. Not many companies can provide this service for a district this size. Bonds Construction is not taking on new clients. Dave moved to approve the contract. Wendell seconded. Motion passed.

D. Business

1. Resident Budget Ideas – a resident sent an email regarding draining and cleaning the pond next year. Residents previously sent emails regarding fixing the tennis court and striping it for pickle ball. Several residents presented their request for the district to fund a 9-hole disc golf course. This would involve installing baskets and cementing them down on the greenbelt. The residents said they would do the installation and there would be no maintenance. The Board asked questions including issues around noise. They asked the residents to bring back the proposed course layout.
2. Curb/Gutter Change Request – a Pine Ridge Loop resident presented his request to be able to cut his curb to flatten it out more. The Board discussed different considerations, road and drainage impacts and precedence going forward. It decided that the district needs to do more research and possibly consult an engineering firm.
4. Review Browns Hill Engineering SCADA Project Bid – Charlie from Browns-Field reviewed the SCADA quote and projected work with the Board. There shouldn't be any annual maintenance cost associated with the system. It would require a monthly cell data plan fee for both locations. With further input from the Board, Dave M and Tyler, Charlie will provide a revised quote for the SCADA projects. He will provide optional add-ons like flow meters for wells and water tanks and auto-valve turn off.
3. Lake Durango Water update – Wayne will attend meeting.
4. Other District Correspondence: several appreciations for communication during Oak/Aspen valve repair; requests for water averages and meter cycle; sign covers up Michael Way; street sign down; LPEA outage send group email; is Next Door group legitimate; internet providers
5. Newsletter items: new rate reminder; dogs barking; budget hearing

IV. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Jane Looney, District Manager / Secretary