

DURANGO WEST METROPOLITAN DISTRICT #2
MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING
August 18, 2021

I. Call to Order

President Carly Thomson called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Other Board Members present were Directors Beverly Lawrence and Wayne Schrader. David Cramer and Derek Ryter were not present. Also present: Jane Looney, District Manager and Dave Marsa, Water/Wastewater Operator. This meeting was conducted via phone conference call due to COVID-19.

II. The minutes of the July 21, 2021 Regular Meeting were presented for approval. Beverly made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Wayne seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The minutes of the July 27, 2021 Special Meeting were presented for approval. Beverly made a motion to approve the minutes with the correction of: 6:04 p.m. Wayne seconded the motion. Motion passed.

III. Administration

A. Financials

1. Jane presented the accounts receivable list for July 2021.
2. Accounts payable were presented for approval. Board action. Wayne motioned to approve the payables. Beverly seconded. The motion passed.
3. Financials – Financial statements ending July 31, 2021 were presented.
4. Schedule Budget Meeting – it is scheduled for 9 a.m. on Thursday, September 9th.

B. Water & Wastewater Operations

1. Water and Sewer Operations Report – usage is almost back to normal thanks to rain. Michael's Way resident now has a new water meter which means all residents are now on the handheld meter reading system. Dave also repaired/replaced a few meters. He is still trying to get Clint to look at well 7 but his company was ravaged by COVID. Per our legal agreement, the district said Well 8 owner could use the electrical box at the meter pedestal in the gully but install a separate electric meter. She is moving ahead with this. Terlun HOA said they are ready for the next step to connect to our water. Jane told them (as did in an earlier email) that getting an engineer to give them the cost of building the pipes would be that next step.
2. Wastewater Operations Report – Dave will change ammonia line in the wastewater report from “the permit limit monthly average 25 mg.l” to 15 mg.l per current state requirement ammonia. Dave said he didn't really plan on any projects for 2022 and suggested adding 20% to electricity due to all the blowers running now. The sewer line cleaning and camera inspection will be at the top of the system sometime in September.
3. IGA meeting on August 11 with DW1 - See meeting notes in packet. Wayne commented on the Shaw solar proposal. He said savings are loaded heavily in the back years; and so are pretty insignificant in the first 15 years. This is dependent

on their estimate of a 2.5% increase in annual LPEA costs. If rates didn't go up, the deal wouldn't be good. Rates did go down last year. Carly said Shaw Solar is a stable company and that there's likely other companies that could service us if by chance they went out of business. Wayne is going to talk with the Shaw people. Jane will check with Charlie at LDWA to see how their system is going.

C. Roads and Open Space

1. Open Space Update – the shed was constructed on August 16! Jane will start moving items from the mail building to the shed this week. She ordered the “No Pickleball” sign.
2. Road Update – road projects are taking place in the next few weeks on Aspen Court and Willow Drive. We are working on drainage issues at the mail building. Leeder will be fixing the entrance concrete drainage into the stormwater grate as well as the culvert landscaping issue on the other side of the entrance. Jane provided an update on no parking signs. We don't need more, we just need them to read: No Parking on **ANY** Streets in Subdivision Violators will be Fined and/or Towed at Owner's Expense. Only two currently do. All the signs are faded and should be replaced soon anyway. If we do that, is the district willing to enforce. Some board members wondered if parking on the street was an issue. The discussion was tabled for another meeting.

IV. Business

1. Review Homeowner Wildfire Mitigation on Greenbelt Policy – the board reviewed the proposed district policy statement. They appreciated the input from Wildfire Adapted Partnership and Fire Smart. The Board adopted the following policy: **District Position on Wildfire Mitigation on District Property Behind Homes** *Homeowners may mow grasses or scrub oak less than 1 inch in diameter throughout the first 100 feet from their home onto district greenbelt property to mitigate grass and small diameter fuels. Homeowners should not conduct mitigation on scrub oak larger than 1 in in diameter or on other trees and vegetation on district greenbelt. Nor should they conduct mitigation past 100 feet from their home onto district greenbelt.* The board decided to keep it simple and not add the option for if a resident was interested in removing more fuel removal, they could contact the metro district. Jane will put the district position on the district website announcements and include it in newsletters early 2022.
2. Discuss Pond Condition, Directions and Options: the board discussed Jane's memo on Pond Background and Options. She also shared recent photos. To move forward with any improvements or changes, the Board needs to first decide on a long-term direction for the pond especially given the climate and water issues as well as what is its original and current use. Jane shared information about a recent hopeful option of Molar Nanobubble technology. This would break up the algae naturally and work on the muck as well; and isn't dependent on the depth of the water to work. They evenly spread throughout the environment, in all columns of the water. She will check with Tom at Durango

Nursery and Derek about their thoughts on the technology. The Board decided to continue discussing the pond's long and short-term options at the next meeting.

3. Other District Correspondence: mattress left by playground; emergency gate unlocked; request for district plat map for measurements and utility easements; covenants on pet restrictions; take down pickleball post from DW2 Neighborhood FaceBook.
 4. Newsletter items – bears hibernating; pickleball prohibited
- IV. Adjournment – Wayne motioned to adjourn meeting. Beverly seconded.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Jane Looney, District Manager / Secretary