

DURANGO WEST METROPOLITAN DISTRICT #2
MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING
July 15, 2020

- I. Call to Order
President Wayne Schrader called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Other Board Members present were Directors Beverly Lawrence, Wendell Qualls and Carly Thomson. Also present: Jane Looney, District Manager and Dave Marsa, Water and Wastewater Operator. This meeting was conducted via phone conference call due to COVID-19. Dave Cramer was excused. Two residents attended.

- II. The minutes of the June 17, 2020 Regular Meeting were presented for approval. Beverly made a motion to approve the minutes. Carly seconded the motion. Motion passed.

- III. Administration
 - A. Financials
 1. Jane presented the accounts receivable list for June 2020.
 2. Accounts payable were presented for approval. Board Action: Wendell motioned to approve. Beverly seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 3. Financials – Financial statements ending June 30, 2020 were presented.
 - B. Water & Wastewater Operations
 1. Water Operations Report – Jane notified the 6 residents with over 15,000 gallons of a possible water problem. There were 33 residents who used over 10,000 gallons. Dave is conducting an inventory of valves and exercising them; and said we should also do an inventory of hydrants.
Water Main Break: Dave reported on the Aspen water break on July 14th. Only thirteen homes were without water because Dave could isolate the break thanks to the valves replaced at the corner of Oak and Aspen last fall. Dave said it was a “pretty good break” as it did not need removal of asphalt or concrete. He ran a bacterial test after the water turned back on before giving all clear for drinking water. We received emails from residents with appreciation for how Jane and Dave handled the water break. This was Dave’s first water break with DW2; and the Board expressed their appreciation on a great job.
 2. Wastewater Report – Effluent Violation Compliance Advisory was received from the State on June 24. Jane emailed Brandyn SGM to get a response to CDPHE explaining why our ammonia level was up and steps to rectify it. We are back in compliance.
 - C. Roads and Open Space
 1. Open Space and Trails Update – a resident offered the district to redo the trail map, but still had not provided cost. While it is a 2008 map, there are not major changes. The Board wants an estimate before considering further.
Pickleball on tennis court conflict: some residents have been playing pickleball on the tennis court recently which has caused a conflict and question about the sound/noise that pickleball creates. The Board heard from a resident who supports it and from one that is deeply impacted by noise that pickleball makes and opposes it being played on the DW2 tennis court. They

also received four emails from other supporters. Bud, the DW2 attorney, said the Board has the authority to oversee use of the recreation amenities; and could allow pickleball or could allow it with restrictions like times, length of play, number of players, etc. The Board discussed noise issues and cases in other communities. They looked at the distance from the court to the resident's home. Board members also expressed considerations including pickleball is a growing sport and use of space changes; options out there for softening the sound; trying to do the best for the most people; other remediation options like vegetation. As the Board was torn and did not see a clear answer, they tabled it until next month's meeting. They want to do more research.

Pond: Dave has a meeting with the water resources person to check out the pond dam to see if it is considered an actual dam. This is important to know before repairing the spillway. Jane got a call from a resident who wanted to see if lining the pond via a local company, Simbeck, might be a solution. She contacted Simbeck, our contractor for the WWTP, who did not think a liner was an appropriate solution as we are not losing water that way, via infiltration. Our water loss is just normal evaporation. Cattails also present an issue for a lining. He estimated \$30,000 just for their part for one acre of pond. Their cost constitutes 1/3 of total cost. Dirt work is at least a 1/3 depending on issue like removing marginal plants. Also, would need to install a doggie ladder as they cannot get out and animals have been known to die in ponds with these liners. The Board suggested changing the "marketing" of the pond from a place to swim to a habitat to enjoy where one can catch minnows and see redwing blackbirds and migratory water birds. The district should have a statement of what the pond is and what our strategy is. Jane will try to hurry along the dam determination as that plays a role.

IV. Business

1. Wastewater Services Request from Developer – a developer of 300 homes west of DW1 wants wastewater treatment services from us. The first question to resolve is do we have capacity. Dave says yes and has no concerns regarding our ability to handle surges. The WWTP is a 200,000-gallon facility and we are only at 30% daily capacity now. We could require the developer to install meters on the manholes to measure their run-off and filtration impact to our system. Brandyn is less certain that we can handle the increased users at peak spring run-off. Dave said spreading out the costs to more users is a good thing. The Board discussed current compliance and future state requirements and what the addition of 300 users would mean. Wendell would like to see a better track record on the ammonia level. Next step: We are open to exploring the possibility to it but do not to take any hit. Bud would have to guide us and provide the appropriate language, so we don't carry any liability. The Board wants to ask Bud some questions before proceeding further. Jane will set up a meeting with Wayne, Beverly, herself, and Bud.
2. Meeting with Building Department – Beverly and Wayne volunteered along with Wendell depending on when it will be. Inspection of the Willow garage

is set for July 24th. Jane will set up a meeting with planning and building departments after that.

3. Lake Durango Water update – Not a lot of development on TTHM long term solution. LDWA manager, Charlie, is responding to state. La Plata West has begun taking water so this could be a non-issue in 2 years as the water is moving through the whole system quicker, thereby less TTHM.
4. Other District Correspondence: camper parking on street; trash can at Wildwood Condos and bears – need enforcement contact; thistles; low water pressure; realtor asking about fencing for new owner; two requests for sewer tie-ins/hook ups; broken limb on Fir – has claimed it is on district property but won't provide us with plat /survey results
5. Newsletter items: water use and leaks; district mosquito prevention and residents' responsibility preventing where mosquitos breed

IV. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Jane Looney, District Manager / Secretary