

DURANGO WEST METROPOLITAN DISTRICT #2
MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING
June 15, 2022

- I. Call to Order
President Carly Thomson called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. Other Board Members present were Directors David Cramer, Beverly Lawrence, Derek Ryter and Wayne Schrader. Also present: Jane Looney, District Manager; Fred Owens, District Accountant and his partner Stacie Tucker; and Dave Marsa, Water/Wastewater Operator. Two residents attended.
- ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA
- II. Approve Minutes - the minutes of the May 25, 2022 Regular Meeting were presented for approval. Wayne made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Beverly seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- III. Public Comments/Questions – resident asked where we are in terms of the pond. The board said that it is not feasible to keep it full; and that we were gathering information and checking with the Army Corps of Engineers on jurisdiction.
- IV. Administration
- A. Financials
 1. Jane presented the accounts receivable list for May 2022.
 2. Accounts payable were presented for approval. Wayne made a motion to approve the accounts payable. Beverly seconded. Motion was approved.
 3. Financials – Financial statements ending May 31, 2022 were presented.
 4. 2021 Audit Presentation – Fred will update depreciation schedule every month going forward. The auditor, Fred and board agreed our internal controls were fine. Fred saw nothing wrong in the audit and will inform the auditor to send it off to the state.
 - B. Water & Wastewater Operations
 1. Water and Sewer Operations Report – well production and residents’ water usage are up from last year. The Lake Durango (LDWA) pump issue is on-going as they are only allowing us to pump 45 gallons per minute instead of 65 gallons and we have not been able to gain back the loss incurred during the 5-6 day outage. Dave said that LDWA have ordered a new main pump, but that their back-up should now maintain all the customers. Clint ordered the acid treatment for Well 8. Even with the six day restriction on outdoor watering the last week of May, one quarter of residents went over their water allotment in May and 23 residents used over 10,000 gallons.
 2. Wastewater Operations Report – Ammonia level looks good. Dave will be conducting basic maintenance and will purchase stock items approved at the last board meeting. The new sewer company bid includes \$1500 per mobilization and

\$10 per manhole for which they examine all the lines and only clean what needs it.

C. Roads and Open Space

1. Road Update – Aspen Drive roadwork is scheduled for June 22-24. They will be paving the section of Oak Drive at that time.
2. Open Space Update – Jane asked the Animas Mosquito Control District to recheck the pond. They found that the water level had dropped a lot and left many separate pools in dense grass. The only way to treat this is with granules and mineral oil. They applied mineral oil and said it would cost \$220 a month to treat the pond. Wayne made a motion to approve \$220 a month for 3 months for the treatment. David seconded. The motion was approved. The pond is not a benefit for fighting fires according to a current aerial firefighter with the US Forest Service. That summary will be included in the July newsletter. The Board then discussed the pond further with the attending residents. Ideas included reducing size of pond with a retaining wall, re-architecting storm water, researching experts in the field. There is a resident heron at the pond. Jane and Derek reported on their meeting with a resident who is an Environmental Sustainability professor at Fort Lewis College. She can assist with water engineering and sustainability contacts as well as possibly grants. She would like to see more education of the costs of water augmentation. If the pond is changed, she would like to see native plants and a pollinator garden.

VI. Business

1. Re-Review Terlun Drive Resident Request for Electricity - resident Nejia Jones requested that DW2 add her well electricity to a submeter under the District's main electricity meter which the District would then be responsible for and need to bill her. The board did not find any new information from Jones and maintained its previous decision, saying we agree 100% with the agreement that states she should get her own meter and be billed directly from LPEA. We are a governmental entity and have a responsibility to our constituents/residents to stick to the legal agreement at hand.
2. Resolution 2022-03 Review and Update – As of now, this resolution not only refers to curb to curb excavation but also to work in right of way (ROW) that may impair street maintenance. This could include tree planting, fences, parking pads or other construction/change that includes boulders or posts. We can change the resolution to only to curb to curb or if want to retain the right of way part, we can ask Bud to revise it to specify that the ROW is case by case base requiring an initial review, then maybe request more detail, and depending on the response and board review, require something more. The board said that Bud could look at simplifying the process and requirements of curb to curb as well though Dave thought they were appropriate for the curb-to-curb excavation part and preserving the quality of our road system.
3. Woodcrest Drive Memo – per the Board's request, Bud provided a background and current look at the district's relation to residents on Woodcrest on the other

side of Highway 160. Currently, they pay water and wastewater to DW2 and general/roads and sewer collection to DW1.

4. Other District Correspondence: trail in gulch used by Terlun residents while they refuse our residents access/easement; multiple emails about the vehicle on Wedgewood - the owner thanked the district for patience and letting her have time to deal with getting it out of there; bear trash of DW2 property by tennis court; use of pond paths and bench ok; jeep on Spruce Drive
 5. Newsletter items – pond not beneficial for fire suppression summary by current U.S. Forest Service firefighter, mosquito update, defensible space
- V. Adjournment – Beverly motioned to adjourn meeting. Wayne seconded.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Jane Looney, District Manager / Secretary