

DURANGO WEST 2 Metro District News

OCTOBER 2022

2023 Budget Hearing

The Board will review and discuss the proposed 2023 Budget at the October 19th meeting. Thank you to those residents who have submitted ideas for future expenditures. If you would like to have input on the 2023 Budget, please contact the district or attend the next meeting. The 2023 Budget will be adopted, according to state law, at the November meeting.

Be a DW2 Board member



The Durango West 2 Board is looking for another director as one recently resigned. Because this is a mid-term opening, the position will be appointed by the board after reviewing applications. The term for this position will expire

in May 2023, with the opportunity to be elected for a full, four-year term beginning in May 2023. The board expects to have two additional openings in May 2023, so we'd love to chat more with residents who may be interested in serving on the board now or in the future. Board Members are volunteer residents who dedicate approximately five hours each month to make important decisions regarding your water, sewer, roads, and recreation systems in our Metro District. This is a great way to get involved in the neighborhood and better understand the systems and processes that govern our district. If you are interested or just want to learn more about the position, please contact us at dw2@dgowest2.com. If you'd like to apply, please email with a short explanation of your interest and your background.

Street Gutters – 5 Minute Fall Cleanup

As there has been heavy rainstorms throughout the summer and early fall, we are asking assistance from residents to keep the water flowing properly down our street gutters. There are a lot of leaves, needles, pine cones mixed at times with dirt/mud creating muck which all contribute to clogging the street gutters in various places.



It would be very helpful if every resident could just take 5 minutes to clean up what is in front of their property including any 'muck', dirt, pebbles that may have fallen in the gutters due to snowplowing, melting and runoff. This would ensure proper drainage as well as prevent damage to the adjoining asphalt. Thank you for your cooperation.

Mail Building

Just a reminder to all residents: Please do not put any free boxes or post anything on the mail building or its posts. If you would like to post something in the community bulletin board and can't open the case easily, just email it to the dw2@dgowest2.com or put it in the DW2 mail slot and we will post it for you.

Dog Owners

Please remember that dogs must be either kept on a leash or under voice control while in the greenbelt space or on the road. Residents enjoy walking, running and biking our streets and should feel safe while doing so. There have been several recent reports regarding dogs acting aggressively toward individuals or their dogs. If you spot an aggressive or uncontrolled dog, you can contact Animal Control at Central Dispatch at 385-2900. Dog waste must be picked up by the dog owner. Please be a responsible pet owner and pick up after your dog and respect other people's property. This also applies to the trails and the roads.

Slow Down

Deer are often in the neighborhood, especially at this time of year as they look for extra food on plants and shrubs in your yard. Please SLOW DOWN as you drive through the neighborhood so you do not risk hitting a deer. They are often out in the mornings and evenings. The posted speed limit is 25 mph and there is no excuse for speeding down our residential streets any faster than that. Please be conscientious of your neighbors and drive safely!



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Respect Our Bears



Keep our neighborhood and our bear neighbors safe by not providing easy food access.

Bears are out and looking for even more food on their quest to fatten up for winter. Please do not leave bird-feeders or pet food dishes out at night. Do NOT leave your trash can out before the morning of pick-up. Residents must either leave their trash containers in a garage until the day of pick-up and put the container back inside by the end of the day or have a bear-proof garbage container. La Plata County has an ordinance that fines residents at least \$200 for not securing trash containers from wildlife. To report a violation, Animal Protection through Central Dispatch 970-385-2900. Reporting incidents of trash being allowed to be accessed by bears is very important to make our area safe for both bears and people. Check out bearsmartdurango.org for more resources and videos. BearSmart encourages reporting all bear activity to Colorado Parks & Wildlife (970-247-0855) and to Bear Smart Durango by using the form on the BSD website: <http://bearsmartdurango.org>.

No Parking on Streets – includes trailers, RVs, dumpsters, etc

Parking on District streets is prohibited under Resolution 2004-03. No vehicles, trailers, RV, etc are allowed to be parked on the street. This includes dumpsters. Dumpsters are to be in resident's driveways. It is a safety hazard as we do not have sidewalks in the subdivision. No one wants to be responsible for someone or someone's pet getting hurt because they parked in the street. It also greatly hinders our maintenance efforts. Please park in your private driveways, and remind your guests and neighbors of our policy.



Preventative Maintenance

Fall is a great time to do some regular preventative maintenance on your faucets, toilets, water softeners, etc. This can end up saving you lots of water and



money. Be a waterwise resident and save water by doing proper maintenance and conserve water by installing water efficient toilets, shower heads etc

Fall Projects - Call Before You Dig

Fall is a great time for outdoor projects and planting. Please remember to call 811 for utility line



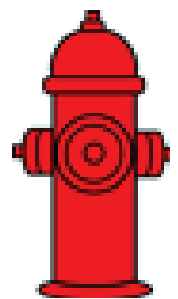
markings before you begin digging on a project. Utility lines can be at various depths, so locates are necessary even for small projects. Failure to call in locates can cause outages and possibly result in fines.

Water-Saving Tip

Many residents already do this but here is a good water-saving tip: Turn off the water to your toilets when you leave town. Each year, residents leave home for an extended time, not aware that their toilet is running. Even a slow leak could waste up to 50,000 gallons in a month. Please keep a close eye on all your plumbing to ensure water is not being wasted, especially with most residents working so hard to conserve our precious water supply.

Accessibility of District Utilities and Traffic Signs

Reminder to all residents who have District traffic signs or facilities on an easement on your property, including sewer manholes, water curb stops, and fire hydrants: you must maintain adequate access to these facilities. Manholes, fire hydrants and water valves are not to be covered in landscaping which includes bushes, tree branches, etc.



Contact Information

Please make sure we have a current email address and phone number to contact you. Send an email to dw2@mydurango.net with both your phone number and email address, so we have a way to contact you if there is a need.

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Next Meeting is October 19th at 5 p.m.
at the Mail House

District Manager

Jane Looney

259-3946 • dw2@mydurango.net

Water Operator

Dave Marsa

759-1609

District Accountant

Fred Owen

385-2518

Board Members

Carly Thomson • 970-759-9156 • President • May 2023

Beverly Lawrence • 970-799-2775 • VP • May 2025

Wayne Schrader • 970-317-5109 • Treasurer • May 2023

Derek Ryter • 402-613-3323 • Director • May 2025

DURANGO WEST II BUSINESS BRIEFS:

The Business Briefs section of the newsletter is provided as a free service to current DW2 residents who wish to have their business or service listed. If you would like to have a listing, please email your brief to dw2@dgowest2.com

- Train Brazilian Jiu Jitsu with Nico de Haan, 3rd Degree Black Belt, all levels on Tuesdays and Thursdays 6:30-7:30 AM and Saturdays 8:00-9:30 AM at Durango Brazilian Jiu Jitsu. Contact 970-769-9276 or durangobjj@gmail.com. Website: durangobjj.com.
- Big Toy Boat, RV & Mini Storage provides storage options for Household & Business, Boats, Campers & RV's at competitive prices. Wendell & Vindred Qualls @ 970-247-2680, or www.BigToyStorageDurango.com
- Fully-facilitated immersion programs to Guatemala!! Originally Spanish4Educators.org, DW2 resident Steve Foster also offers general immersion programs to beautiful Antigua, Guatemala as well as specialized programs for educators and medical professionals. Contact Steve, 970-844-0724 or sfoster1010@gmail.com
- James' Home Improvements & Repairs - Fully Insured; James Bowkett - 970-317-1467; https://www.facebook.com/fourcornersimprov
- Get amazing locally roasted coffee here in DW2. You've probably seen our red and blue trailer parked at the entrance on Friday's. Feel free to contact me directly at mark.rockymountainroastery@gmail or text 303.385.7755
- Mobile Notary and Notary Signing Agent. 16 years experience. Bonded, certified and insured. 24/7 service Elaine Stumpo 970-799-2328
- Therapeutic Massage Therapy for injury/sports rehab and inner healing- myofascial release, active/passive stretching, ancient cupping therapy,

hot stones, neuromuscular & deep tissue therapy. Ali Jacobs, owner of Empowered Living. 15 years experience! Call to schedule. 970-903-3189.

• Psychologist in DWII for 38 years. Dr. Katherine accepts private insurance and Medicaid. Over 40 years of experience. Office in town or use of secure Zoom. (970) 769-6907

• Join a Reiki class with Licensed Reiki Master Teacher, Teresa Jantz. Reiki is a stress reduction technique. All levels offered. Learn more and register at www.TouchpointTherapy.com or call Teresa at 970-903-2547.

• Kokikai Durango Japanese Martial Arts: Practical self-defense & personal development through traditional training. Contact Thomas Holmes at (970) 799-7632 or visit www.kokikaidurango.com.

• Zumba with Donna Middleton. Classes at the Smiley Building 2nd floor dance studio. Fri. 1:30 pm. Sat. and Sun. 9:00 am. Call Donna @ 970-759-9944

• Cedar Enterprises LLC specializes in fire mitigation/fuels reduction in or around dwellings. Call for an estimate. Cedar wood cords neighborhood special \$250. Contact Bryan at 769-3438

• House sitting and/or pet care including walking. I'm retired, reliable, responsible. Call Ken Hibbard 970-749-1378

• ABC Plumbing & Heating is available for plumbing & hot water heater service, repairs & remodels. Call 970-764-4315, www.abc-plumbingdurango.com

• San Juan Paralegal Services; Contract Paralegal. Over 10 years of experience. Criminal Law, Civil Litigation, Personal Injury, Family, Business/Contracts, Trademarks. Contact Molly Pagano at (303) 881-4631.

• Dance with Wendy Graham Settle. Private lessons for weddings, reunions, and special occasions including Swing, Latin, Blues, Waltz, and Two-Step. Contact: 970.903.9402, perkypantsdance@gmail.com, or go to www.perkypantsdance.com.

• Custom-designed travel and tours. Contact Cindi Taylor, Taylored Tours, 970.335.8670 or visit trips.tayloredtours.com.

• Holistic Chiropractor. Dr. Robert Stein. In practice since 1985. DWII homeowner since 1996. Call 382-8500. www.drrobertstein.com

• Plexus: An all-natural, plant based line of health & wellness products. House sitting and pet care when you are away! Tutoring: K-8 in all subject areas. Licensed 20 yrs of classroom experience. Contact Carrie at 259-4599.

• Dumpster Rental - 16 Cubic Yard Dump Trailer (driveway friendly). I park the trailer your house, you fill it with green waste, trash, debris, and I haul it away. Prices vary. Please email Ryan Champion at championdumpsters@protonmail.com.



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