

DURANGO WEST METROPOLITAN DISTRICT #2
MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING
June 13, 2018

I. Call to Order

President Ward Holmes called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Other Board Members present were Directors Dave Crom and Wendell Qualls. Also present: Jane Looney, District Manager; Fred Owens, District Accountant and Dave Marsa, Wastewater Operator. Director Beverly Lawrence had an excused absence. Jon Westrup, FireSmart contractor, attended. Two residents attended.

The minutes of the May 16, 2018 Regular Meeting were presented for approval. Dave made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Wendell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

II. Administration

A. Financials

1. Jane presented the accounts receivable list. Jane proposed to the Board that the transfer fee be raised from \$50 to \$100. Wendell motioned that transfer fee be \$100. Dave seconded.
2. Accounts payable were presented for approval. The Board asked Jane to check in with Grasshopper about their chipping. Board Action: Dave motioned to approve. Wendell seconded the motion. Motion to approve accounts payable carried.
3. Financials – Financial statements ending May 31, 2018 were presented. Fred was not present.

B. Water & Wastewater Operations

1. Water Operations Report: Jane reported purchase was 1,650,000 gallons from LDWA for May which Tyler confirmed with her was about right. Tyler was not present. The Board would like to see further details as requested for Tyler's training and confirmed the need for listing the meter residences on his invoices.
2. Wastewater Report: Veris removed 786,000 gallons of sludge which is higher than the estimated amount from SGM. SGM said they based their numbers from Veris. Dave said bottom line is: the sludge is all gone, and it's been a lot of years since it was last removed. A board member asked about future appropriate maintenance. Dave responded that sludge should be hauled out of Cell 4 every five years. Generally, an operator knows when it's time as the contact chamber gets gritty.
3. EIAF Grant WWTP Improvement Report: Veris pumped sludge from Cell 2. It also had sludge from Cell 1 as well as some from Cells 3 & 4.
4. Simbeck is scheduled to install liners on Tuesday. Cell 1 improvements were ordered.
4. Public Education for Lead and Copper: Tyler was not present

C. Roads and Trails

1. Road Projects and Street Sweeping Update - Due to the drought, fires, and residential anxiety, Jane postponed road projects. The Board suggested delaying until August after the monsoons. She will also

check with Matt to see if there is a project(s) that could wait until next year to make up the \$8000 overage in chipping mitigation. Street sweeping was completed with the needles going in the dumpster located in the gully. While it worked o.k. this year combined with the major clean-up of accumulated needles and stumps in the gully, Jane will investigate other options of disposing next year.

2. Fire Mitigation Updates – Jon from FireSmart discussed his new plan for precautions given Stage 3 Restrictions. He said that while there is nothing in Stage 3 that shuts down mitigation operations, he checked with Fire Chief who said we can't shut down mitigation because it's important to continue work to protect structures. The Chief said to use extreme caution and have a fire suppression system. Jon is getting a water truck in addition to his existing precautions and feels comfortable proceeding with DW2 planned mitigation projects. The Board said to proceed. Jon explained his approach (learned from Missionary Ridge) is to not overcut scrub oak as they come back bigger. He tries to preserve larger oak and shrink clumps so there's no connectivity – while trying to be sensitive to both privacy and aesthetics.

D. Business

1. Discuss Water Conservation Measures – Per Tyler's recommendation, Dave motioned that we institute Stage 1 Water Restrictions. Wendell seconded. Motion carried. Jane called LDWA for further information about our water rates. Based on formula: 6000×360 (# of taps), the rate increases after 2,148,000 gallons. It goes from \$4.31 per thousand to 5.37 per thousand. A resident emailed a comment that the district should decrease level to 5000 gallons and give a \$10 rebate for those under.
2. Update from the Lake Durango Water Authority: Lake Durango is at 800 feet. LDWA contracted 400 acres feet of water from Lake Nighthorse per year.
3. Other District Correspondence: appreciation for chipping and mulch; inquiries asking what day meters were going to be read; mitigation
4. Newsletter items: water restrictions; annual water report

IV. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Jane Looney, District Manager / Secretary