

DURANGO WEST METROPOLITAN DISTRICT #2  
MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING  
September 9, 2024

- I. Call to Order  
President Carly Thomson called the meeting to order at 8:18 a.m. Other Board Members present were Directors Corey Beough, Beverly Lawrence, Derek Ryter and Stephen Wells. Also present: Jane Looney, District Manager and Stacie Tucker, District Accountant. Two residents attended.
- II. The minutes of the August 21, 2024 Regular Meeting were presented for approval. Beverly moved to approve minutes from the last meeting with two minor corrections. Corey seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- III. Public Comments – A resident presented a video and information on drainage issues at 23 Hunter Court particularly during the recent massive hailstorm. She said the issue was not disclosed when they bought the home two years ago. Snowmelt hasn't presented issues. She has consulted legal counsel. The board will research communications with the previous owner regarding this issue and look into setting up a meeting with our road contractor. A resident thanked the board for its handling of recent resolution to ban fires and suggested perhaps better communicating why they passed the resolution. He also suggested having more people on the Board and improvements to the pond.
- IV. Administration
  - A. Financials
    1. Accounts receivable list for August 2024 not available until the 10<sup>th</sup>.
    2. Accounts payable will be available for review by the board by September 21st.
    3. Financials – Financial statements ending August 31, 2024 were presented.
  - B. Water & Wastewater Operations
    1. Water Operations Report – Dave was not present.
    2. Wastewater Operations Report – Jane said that Browns Hill did adjust an invoice and sent an email explanation of the many SCADA repairs. Beverly thought a meeting with Charles at Browns Hill would still be a good idea. Jane will set one up with Charles, Beverly, Derek, Dave Marsa and herself.
    3. IGA Meeting – Jane and Derek reported on the meeting. DW1 was fine with the budget and direction DW2 board recommends regarding revenue. The board asked about DW1 payments which Jane said have been caught up and remain current. They would like Bud to draft a letter to DW1 requesting they pay into the WW fund for all sewer taps including vacant houses and rebuild projects.
  - C. Roads and Open Space
    1. Road Update – our mowing contractor did some road clean-up after the major hailstorms. After the district's request, some owners cleaned up. Leeder will do the infrared patching on Wedgewood Drive this year and cleaning out the culverts and drainages on upper Aspen Drive and Cedar Drive.

2. Open Space Update – Derek, Corey and Jane met with Walker Christiansen of DHM Design and his ecologist. Corey placed the depth gauge in the pond and started collecting data. The Board decided not to replace the culvert leading into the pond next year. They want to proceed with the pond drainage study and the DHM estimate to develop two options for the pond (paid from Conservation Trust Fund).

V. Business

1. Review 2025 Budget Ideas and Draft Budget – the board reviewed residents’ budget ideas and the current budget draft. The wastewater fund will run a deficit in 2025 due to the improvement projects required by the State’s renewed Discharge Variance. The general fund will have a major deficit again in 2025 due primarily to road maintenance needs. The board will continue to monitor it and look at supplemental appropriations, transferring funds from water fund and the need for increasing fees.
2. Resident Request Upper Aspen Drive Curblin – the district will meet with our road contractor to look at the road/curblin and the board will review this request at the next board meeting on October 21.
3. Discuss Open Burn Ban – the board reviewed residents’ comments on the revised Open Burn Ban resolution. The district will collect further feedback over the month and discuss it at the October 16<sup>th</sup> board meeting.
4. Other District Correspondence – district rules on chickens and roosters; outdoor fire with big flames at VRBO – also constant parties, loud noise, smoke and having to keep windows closed
5. Newsletter Items – review of open burn resolution on October agenda; public hearing on budget Oct 16th

- IV. Adjournment – Beverly motioned to adjourn meeting. Stephen seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 9:29 a.m.

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Jane Looney, District Manager / Secretary