DURANGO WEST METROPOLITAN DISTRICT #2 MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING June 21, 2017

I. Call to Order

President Ward Holmes called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. Other Board Members present were Directors Dave Crom, Beverly Lawrence and Ray Schmudde. Board member Micah Looney was absent. Also present: Jane Looney, District Manager; Tyler Whitt, Water and Wastewater Operator and Fred Owen, District Accountant. There were 21 residents in attendance.

II. The minutes of the May 17, 2017 Regular Meeting were presented for approval. Ray made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Dave seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The minutes of the June 14, 2017 Special Meeting were presented for approval. Ray made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Dave seconded the motion. Motion carried.

III. Administration

A. Financials

- Jane presented the accounts receivable list. There was a post office error in returning PinPay envelope which had six checks in it. Situation is resolved.
- 2. Accounts payable were presented for approval. Board Action: Dave motioned to approve. Beverly seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 3. Financials Financial statements ending May 31, 2017 were presented. Audit Update: the auditor is almost done. We will need to do a resolution next meeting because the water fund was overspent in 2016 by around \$1000.
- 4. Bank Loan Update: the Board approved the Amendment to the IGA, Resolution Bank Loan and Bond Counsel's Engagement Letter at its Special Meeting on June 14. The Community Bank wants to revise payment schedule to reflect quarterly payments rather than annual. This will save \$10,000 over life of loan. Closing is set for June 28th. Ward and Dave will be present along with Bud, DW2 attorney.

B. Water & Wastewater Operations

- 1. Water Operations Report: Tyler reported that the state's inspection visit went well. May have to stop using a chlorine feeder on Well 5. There has been an increase in usage this past month and so we will see increased Lake Durango use as well.
- 2. Wastewater Report: pumping out cell 4 is moving. Simbeck is scheduled to reline the cell/lagoon first two weeks of July. Have run into issues with roots and decayed cattails that were on the floating cover now clogging up the pump. Tyler is getting Canyon Construction on board to help. Dave asked about ammonia level 55.5. Tyler said that May is normally our peak month.
- **3.** EIAF Grant/Ammonia Variance Update and Discussion: Jane wrote an Extension and supplemental funding request (\$79,250). Letter to DOLA for the grant.

4. Public education for lead and copper in drinking water: in process of collecting the 20 samples that are due this month.

C. Roads and Trails

- 1. Speeding and Traffic Enforcement Update: see attached report. Ward addressed discussion on FaceBook. A resident said that not all of those present are on social media. There have been patrols in the subdivision over the past 3-4 weeks. They have not stopped anyone for speeding – and have clocked everyone going 22-27 mph. Discussion ranged from speed limits, concerns for children in streets, speed humps, signage. Resident Dave Johnson offered to donate \$2000 worth of speed humps and to install them. He will send a plan provided by his engineer for the district road and water contractors to review as well as for Board review. Discussion continued. Residents brought up the need for parents to educate their teens about speeding as most of those drivers residents say they've seen tend to be young people. Calling the Sheriff's office is effective – particularly if you have the license plate or make of vehicle. Ward added that people can also call the State Police if they see a speeder. One resident said that paint, signs were not much help. Another said reverse dips could be an effective option. Primarily, many of the residents wanted something physical that the driver would have to slow down for. The perception of speed was also brought up. One person did an experiment watching her husband driving 25 mph and said it looks like he was going faster. One woman said that she was driving 15 mph and someone from playground motioned to slow down. Putting signs out by curbs at individual homes when children are out was effective for some residents. Patrol officers also reported this as a positive step in slowing drivers. Next steps: Beverly suggested that the District consult with an engineering firm to find appropriate locations for temporary speed humps. Ward said to first contact Jim Davis with the County to see what/who he recommends. Additionally, Jane will coordinate with Dave Johnson and district road and water contractors to review any
- 2. 2017 Road Work Update: work is scheduled for August, but trying to move it up earlier. The remaining pothole, front entrance ripples and graveling the emergency exit will be done earlier.
- 3. Trails Update: Jane presented an estimate for \$510 to cut new trail access to Greenbelt from Willow and to install a culvert for drainage. Ray motioned to approve the cost. Dave seconded. Motion passed. A second estimate for \$1767 was presented to add plants to the now empty top beds at the entrance as well as extend the drip system New plants: forrester grass, Russian sage, and spirea. A resident mentioned issues with Russian sage suckering. Beverly suggested checking with original plan to see if plants fit. Jane will check into it and bring proposal to next meeting. One resident was glad to see the trail monies being approved and stated something should be done for recreation each year. Several other residents expressed their appreciation for the trails and would volunteer. Prefer specific tasks be laid out in requesting volunteers in future.

D. Business

- 1. Proposed Fee Increase Resolution 2017-05: Resident asked about the grant and engineering firm selection. Ward explained the competitive bid process we underwent. Addressing other residents' questions, Fred explained that the water system is getting old and there have been costly unexpected repairs. Dave said that we have hired an engineering firm to look at assets and capital improvement plan. A resident asked if we are paying more, will we get more for it such as water. Ward explained that actually Lake Durango would like us to offer less gallons at the base rate, similar to others it serves like Trappers Crossing and Shenandoah which get 6,000 gallons. Ray moved that we adopt Resolution 2017-05. Dave seconded. Motion passed. Fee increase is effective July 1.
- 2. Capital Improvement/Assessment Update: in coordination with SGM, Tyler is capturing water and sewer infrastructure on a GIS handheld device.
- 3. Update from the Lake Durango Water Authority: Completion date now not until next year. No watering restrictions this summer.
- 4. Other District Correspondence: tree branch breaking from wind on greenbelt; tree damaged on Fir Drive from accident— on district property?; dogs barking; excessive amount of dogs; dog waste in streets, trails; enforcing dogs on leashes; poop bag stations idea; water overages; one speeding email.
- 5. Newsletter items: stop sign responsibility; dog waste responsibility; bears in neighborhood; enforcement update patrols in neighborhood; parking, dogs, respect for trails and homes along trails, water restrictions update. Remind residents about using caution when entering Highway 160. Fire on greenbelt, caution and lookout regarding fire potential considering how dry it is. Remove dead trees as pose a fire hazard. Check with Tyler about putting something in about disposing of cooking oil properly not down the drain.

| IV. | Adjournment |
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| | The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m. |
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| | Jane Looney, District Manager / Secretary |