

DURANGO WEST METROPOLITAN DISTRICT #2
MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING
April 19, 2023

- I. Call to Order
President Carly Thomson called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m. Other Board Members present were Directors Beverly Lawrence, Derek Ryter and Wayne Schrader. Also present: Jane Looney, District Manager; Dave Marsa, Water/Wastewater Operator; and Fred Owen, District Accountant. One resident attended.

- II. The minutes of the March 15, 2023 Regular Meeting were presented for approval. Wayne made a motion to approve the minutes with one change. Beverly seconded the motion. Motion passed.

- III. Administration
 - A. Financials
 - 1. Jane presented the accounts receivable list for March 2023.
 - 2. Accounts payable were presented for approval. Beverly made a motion to approve the accounts payable. Wayne seconded. Motion was approved.
 - 3. Financials – Financial statements ending March 31, 2023 were presented. The board discussed current interest rates and moving some district monies into higher yield accounts. The district needs to invest in qualified banks and accounts for governmental funds which includes the Colorado Trust. Wayne will do more research.
 - B. Water & Wastewater Operations
 - 1. Water and Sewer Operations Report – as our water tank is at 30 feet, Dave turned off Lake Durango. Dave asked the board if it wanted him to divert some water to the pond and said it would cost electricity and runoff water not pumped does move down into an aquifer. After discussion, the board decided not to divert water. The State sent DW2 a reduced monitoring waiver for inorganic chemicals and fluoride, changing the testing schedule to every nine years.
 - 2. Wastewater Operations Report – treatment plant hit 175,000 gallons coming in due to spring runoff.
 - C. Roads and Open Space
 - 1. Snow Removal and Snowmelt Discussion – Jane will invite Leeder to next meeting to discuss next snow year and drainage.
 - 2. Open Space Update – there are branches down in greenbelt from the winter so FireSmart will also take care of those. Jane told a resident he could cut up branches for firewood.

- IV. Business
 - 1. Water Overage Process and Cedar Drive Update – resident is contesting his responsibility for the Aspen/Cedar corner ice pond situation and has contacted his insurance company.
 - 2. Discuss Meter Pits Issues and Policy – there is a damaged meter pit at 190 Spruce Drive. Dave will repair it so the meter itself doesn't get harmed. We

need to revise Resolution 2020-05 Water and Sewer Regulations to include meter pits.

3. Approve Terlun Drive Resident Final Agreement – Bud sent his non-substantive changes to Attorney Kosnick. Beverly made a motion to approve the settlement agreement as presented with Bud’s changes. Wayne seconded. Motion carried.
 4. Review Hutchison Easement Final Agreement – Bud offered \$2500 and they countered with \$5000 which Shaw is willing to pay. The board decided that covering Bud’s legal expenses was sufficient. There is still one outstanding issue involving the proposed easement allowing for the right to access via private roads on the property which Bud and Shaw are looking into. We have still not heard back from the Hutchisons as to why they do not want to pursue the boundary adjustment.
 5. Review Drainage Easement Policy and Spruce Drive Issues: the board reviewed the draft drainage policy guidelines. Beverly will work with Jane on revisions. The board viewed photos of 45 Spruce Drive drainage issues. Landscaping over the years has caused multiple issues with drainage. The board approved contracting with Leeder to assess the issues and provide recommendations even though maintenance is the resident’s responsibility. Bud said this was alright to do without it setting any precedent. We also contacted 200 Spruce who has a 30% blocked culvert causing water to flow down Spruce Drive and 190 Spruce who has a blocked 18” culvert with water flowing over their driveway.
 6. Water Overage Process – not addressed.
 7. LDWA Increase in 2023 Rates – this is on the LDWA agenda again tomorrow night. Derek will attend.
 8. Other District Correspondence: leak under house; leak on Cedar and spruce; driving hazard in neighborhood; culvert blocked on Aspen; lost key; drainage behind Spruce; runoff vs leak inquiry; appreciations for district manager for clear and considerate communication and the care taken in crafting emails and for working hard on our behalf. We are lucky to have you as our district manager. Another appreciation for recent runoff prep email and setting a great tone for proactive, positive communication in our neighborhood. Objection to fire mitigation contractor parking on street which resident “objected to as a violation of covenants.”
 9. Newsletter Items – AED use; bears; neighbors could go in together to share cost of chipper or dumpster
- IV. Adjournment – Beverly motioned to adjourn meeting. Wayne seconded.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Jane Looney, District Manager / Secretary