

**ASPEN SPRINGS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT**  
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A regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors, Aspen Springs Metropolitan District was convened on August 11, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at the Aspen Springs Metropolitan District building located on Metro Drive in Unit 5 Aspen Springs Subdivision. Elected board members Dick Warring, Sara Anderson, Kelly Evans, and appointed board members, Pam Wallis and George Lyle were in attendance. District employees Carey Brown and Roy Stevens were in attendance, as were eleven property owners.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by elected Chairperson, Dick Warring.

**MINUTES**

A motion to approve the July minutes as read was made by Kelly; seconded by Pam; all in favor.

**PUBLIC WORKS**

Carey: He will meet with Walter tomorrow (8/12/15) in regards to mowing a couple paths on the greenbelt/frisbie golf course. He has already taken down the weeds at the water station.

- They have finished the mag application on unit 6. They've been grading the secondary roads and cleaning culverts. There were a couple more fencing concerns brought up.
- The new maps came in and are up, however the old maps have some things that the new ones don't have. Although there are maps through the County (and website), they are not accurate.
- Ronnie Zaday mentioned that there are one more set of maps available that have been paid for, however the County is still working on a way to print them in acceptable sizes.
- Carey said Robert Espinoza is willing to mow and hay the greenbelt for the hay. We will write up a statement for him to sign releasing ASMD of liabilities resulting in quality of hay/grass in the event it is to be sold or stock consumed and resulting in ill or deceased animals. In addition, Mr. Espinoza will be provided with a map and is to take responsibility to not trespass and/or mowing on private land other than that belonging to ASMD. Motion was made as agreement of this by George; seconded by Sara; three in favor; two not in favor.
- The State requirement for individual hoses for the water station to eliminate the common hose was discussed. Joe Blodgett with ProLine has agreed to give individuals the commercial discount for any hoses and attachments to comply with this State regulation as long as it's mentioned that you're from Aspen Springs. This discount is limited to this specific requirement and not for all plumbing projects.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Kelly: The District had \$256,165 in cash assets, and \$1,608,069 in total assets and property as of the end of the month of July. Total income for the month of July was

\$41,845 with year to date income of \$267,859. The total income YTD is 71% of budget for 2015. Total property tax income YTD is \$162,141 which is approximately 88.3% of budget for 2015 of \$183,630. Total income YTD for the water depot is \$13,017 which is 46.49% of total budgeted of \$28,000. Total expenses for July are \$35,447 and YTD of \$209,695 which is 56% of budget. Primary expenses for July were \$6,325 to Crossfire LLC (gravel) and \$3,340 to Rocky Mountain Health. Invoice for damage by Century Tel has never been paid. Pam will follow up. HUTF currently at \$80,000 (budget at \$115,000); we may actually exceed our proposed amount. Pam made a motion to approve the treasurer's report as read; seconded by George; all in favor.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Follow up on fencing issues and notices sent out:

Sweney's have moved their shed, however the fence has not yet been moved.

Suzi White has removed their fence

Kyle Keelan did not sign for his certified mail, however received the one mailed standard as he acknowledged such letter to Roy. He agreed to moved vehicles and trailers away from his property borders. As for fencing, it was there when he purchased the land and although he is willing to work with the district to comply, and move them if necessary, he is not necessarily agreeing that they are, indeed, encroaching on the greenbelt. Further research will have to be made. Carey and Roy state that it's not a huge issue as snow removal is still possible.

Roy: There are two other cul-de-sac issues.

The first one is at the end of Hollow, the entrance to the BLM land, they own lots on both sides of Hollow at the edge of the BLM land and figured they could "gate" off that cul-de-sac. A notice will be sent by Pam.

The second is across from Doug Roberts' on Ryan's Court off of Panorama.

They've recently purchased the property and are not totally sure of their property boundaries and have vehicle(s) parked in the cul-de-sac. They, too, will need a notice sent to them.

- The gate was installed to prevent the illegal dumping off of Panorama per Zhena's request, however Lee, who has the combination to the lock, has been opening the gate and neglecting to close it. Zhena will work with him in the future on this matter.
- Elizabeth Mieritz dropped off a letter stating that there apparently is another missing reply from her to ASMD that stated that she was following on all of the requests from ASMD. She will be removing her fencing at the road before snow season. In addition, there will be a survey next spring at which time she'll have another fence rebuilt. It is the opinion of the board that Ms. Mieritz is complying with all requests and no further action at this point in time is required by the board. This topic will be brought up next spring when her fence is built, if there is an issue.
- Update on the Steve Keno lawsuit: Update from the attorney Board of appeals, no reimbursement, but upholding the original order. Mr. Keno has 28 days to file to the State Supreme Court. Mr. Keno states that they've filed with the appellate court to review; if decision isn't in his favor, then he proceeds to State Supreme Court, then the Federal Court.

- Bank signature update: Motion was made by Sara to go to the Bank of the San Juans to update all of the signatures to include all current board members as Dick Warring, Kelly Evans, Sara Anderson, Pam Wallis, and George Lyle and to eliminate any other previous members (Kelly will have to have a copy of the minutes that shows this motion for the bank); seconded by Pam; all in favor.
- Dick gave all an explanation of the mill increase that will be on the ballot next year. He did some research of how much taxes would go up depending on the value of your property. The last increase was 19 years ago and if this passes next year, it actually won't go in affect until the following year's taxes.
- Kelly: with exception of the construction itself of the water station, the station is actually in the black of approximately \$400 this year (that's income vs employee and maintenance expenses).
- Due to verbal outbreaks in regards to the taxes and the Keno lawsuit, Sara requested that everyone that comes to these meetings be courteous and professional; there is no need for raising voices.

### **PROPERTY OWNER'S CONCERNS**

- Ronnie Zaday: The owners and construction people at the end of Bill's Place still need to complete the work for turning around . Carey keeps missing the construction foreman for consultation on this matter so Pam will proceed with sending a notice to the owner's to comply with the previous requests of re-building the cul-de-sac for turning equipment around.
- Ronnie Zaday: There was mention of squatter and health issues; these should be brought to the attention of the County.
- Ronnie Zaday: Richie Valdez will be in attendance at the September ASMD meeting.
- Steve Keno addressed concerns about the lawsuit of which are already being addressed through the courts.
- Sharon Parker inquired on the amount of funds spent towards the Keno lawsuit; Kelly gave break downs of funds received and spent.
- Loretta Thomas voiced her opinion about the fence out state statue and wishes everything to be left alone.
- New owner, Gary Sandoff, attended to see what the ASMD is all about and what topics are hot for the area.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Dick: The budget process will begin in the next month and continue for the next several months. George is the Budget Officer, however Dick and George are on the "official budget committee" so they'll both be working on it.
- Kelly voiced concern on the amount of the cell bill and believes alternate plans should be reviewed. Sara will follow up on other plans that can be used on the basis of their current usage, to lower costs.

Dick made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Pam; all in favor.