

**ASPEN SPRINGS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT**  
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A regular meeting of the Board of Directors, Aspen Springs Metropolitan District was convened on January 14th, 2020 at 6:00p.m. at the Aspen Springs Metropolitan District building located on Metro Drive in Unit 5 Aspen Springs Subdivision. Elected board members Pam Wallis, Jame Venturini, Kenneth Barber, and Shane Tuller, and appointed member Kelly Evans were in attendance, as were employees Carey Brown and Shane White. 2 property owners attended.

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kenneth Barber.

### **Minutes**

Kelly made a motion to approve the previous month's minutes; Pam seconded, all in favor.

### **Public Works**

- Carey said that the water fill station was leaking at the overflow/drain valve, and estimated the loss to be between 7,500 to 10,000 gallons per day. The valve was located under the concrete pad surrounding the water station, and couldn't be dug up until spring thaw. There was some discussion on options for a permanent fix, such as leaving a larger manhole access in case the valve needed service.
- The tank for the mag chloride truck was rusting out, the baffles were broken inside and Carey said it would probably only make it through one more season. The board should expect to replace the tank soon.
- There had been fraudulent charges on Carey's credit card – he had canceled it and was waiting for a new one.
- Carey said that a resident, George Miller, had contacted him for information regarding property line disputes. The board recommended contacting the County Assessor and hiring a surveyor.
- Kelly said that she'd received two requests for gravel around the mailboxes and bus stops. Carey said it could be done, but would have to wait til spring.

### **Treasurer's Report**

- Jame: The district had \$363,934 in cash assets, and \$1,678,375 in total assets and property as of the end of December. Total income for December was \$20,532, with year to date income of \$403,539, which is 106% of this year's budgeted income. Total property tax income YTD is \$197,325, which is 98% of this year's budgeted income.

Total income YTD for the water depot is \$21,536 which is 94% of this year's budgeted income. Total expenses for December were \$23,311, and YTD of \$390,858, which is 90% of the yearly budget. The primary expenses for December were to Wagner Cat, CHP, and CAT Finance in the amounts of \$2,169, \$2,848, and \$1,692 respectively.

- Pam made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report as read, Kelly seconded; all in favor.

### **Old Business**

- Ken mentioned that the board had apparently missed the deadline of January 1st to turn in the certification of district boundaries to the state. Shane had filed that along with the budget to the state on January 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Pam said that something would need to be done with Raccoon Drive before too long; the road was eroding, and would get worse in the spring. Either the ravine would have to be filled back to the roadway, or the road would have to be cut further into the hillside on private property. Carey said that the owners of the surrounding properties on the ravine should be contacted before spring so that they could be involved in the process.

### **New Business**

- Ken made a motion to have the meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month, at 216 Metro Drive, at 6:00 PM. Shane seconded; all in favor. Ken read out the dates, and noted that it would need to be posted in the usual locations, along with the website, and possibly on the county website.
- Ken noted that the board should consider creating a committee to work on a mill levy increase proposal. There was discussion on amounts, public awareness, etc.
- Pam made a motion to hold a coordinated election with Archuleta County for the Mill Levy increase in November. Jame seconded; all in favor.

### **Property Owner's Concerns**

- Dick Warring wanted the board to be aware that the state was attempting to repeal Tabor. This could be an issue for the Metro, as it had already been made Tabor exempt in an election in the past.

### **Executive Session**

Ken made a motion to enter executive session pursuant to CRS 24-6-4024, to discuss employee payroll. Kelly seconded, all in favor. The board entered executive session at 6:54 PM.

### **End Executive Session, 7:07 PM**

Ken made a motion to hold the 2% budgeted salary increase until after winter

snowplowing, and if the employees did not exceed budgeted hours, the \$2600 would be available as a performance bonus for both full time employees.

**Kenneth Barber adjourned the meeting at 7:12 PM**