

**ASPEN SPRINGS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT**  
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A regular meeting of the Board of Directors, Aspen Springs Metropolitan District was convened on March 9th, 2021 at 6:00p.m. at the Aspen Springs Metropolitan District building located on Metro Drive in Unit 5 Aspen Springs Subdivision. Elected board members Kenneth Barber, Pam Wallis, Jame Venturini, Shane Tuller, and Kelly Evans were in attendance, as was employee Carey Brown. 9 property owners attended.

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ken Barber.

**Minutes**

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

**Public Works**

- Carey was still doing regular maintenance on the machines, and would be hauling gravel and grading roads soon.
- Shane said there was a complaint about driveways being put in that were causing road damage in Unit 6.

**Treasurer's Report**

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- Jame: The district had \$515,497 in cash assets, and \$1,829,937 in total assets and property as of the end of February. Total income for February was \$22,832, with year to date income of \$27,668, which is 7% of this year's budgeted income. Total property tax income YTD is \$9,027, which is 4% of this year's budgeted income. Total income YTD for the water depot is \$0 which is 0% of this year's budgeted income. Total expenses for February were \$16,657, and YTD of \$57,308, which is 14% of the yearly budget. The primary expenses for February were to CHP and Wagner in the amounts of \$3,018 and \$1,816 respectively.
- Pam made a motion to approve the treasurer's report as read, Shane seconded; all in favor.
- Kelly asked why the cost of employee insurance hadn't dropped yet, Jame said the issue is currently being fixed and will be backdated to reflect the change.

**Old Business**

- Kathleen Steventon gave a presentation on the current Park's Committee status. The Archuleta BOCC had contacted them, and had extra money in the budget, and wanted to fund the Aspen Springs playground, contingent on the Metro doing the ground work and maintenance. There was some discussion, the total cash outlay to the Metro would not be over \$4,400.
- Ken made a motion to approve the agreement with the county to install the park, with costs to the Metro not to exceed \$4,400. Kelly seconded; all in favor.

### **ASMD Well**

Pam said that the SJWCD grant was good for the fiscal year, but doesn't cover destruction of the well unless part of new construction.

Kelly said that Bank of the San Juans had approved the District for an \$80k loan at a rate of 3.67% interest, which would be a \$1,085 per month payment.

Pam presented the 6 extra lots the district owned. One is used by the road crew to access water from Stollsteimer Creek, the other 5 are unused by the district. The lots were appraised by two local realtors at between \$12-27k each, depending on the lot. The market is at a good time to sell at the moment.

Ken said that he and Shane should have another meeting with PAWSD to determine whether or not the option of moving the PAWS line to Aspen Springs was feasible.

Ronnie Zaday said the district should look into SDA requirements for raising the water prices closer to PAWS rates if the new well is drilled.

Kelly made a motion to formally apply for the \$80k loan from Bank of the San Juans to fund the well construction, Pam seconded; all in favor.

Shane made a motion for Ken and him to attend the next PAWSD board meeting, and if PAWS was willing to agree to move their line to Aspen Springs within 2 years, at no cost to the ASMD, then the well project would be discontinued. Ken seconded; all in favor.

Ken made a motion to change the water rates at the ASMD fill station, if repaired, to within 7% of the PAWS rate. Kelly seconded; all in favor.

### **New Business**

- Boyd Neagle is running for Sheriff at the next election and gave a brief presentation to everyone present.
- Ken presented the annual exemption from audit form required by the state.
- Ken made a resolution to approve the exemption from audit. Kelly seconded; all in favor.

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

- There were no property owner's concerns.

**Ken Barber adjourned the meeting at 7:49 PM**

