

**ASPEN SPRINGS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT**  
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A regular meeting of the Board of Directors, Aspen Springs Metropolitan District was convened on October 13th, 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 Kenneth Barber, Pam Wallis, Jame Venturini, Shane Tuller, and Kelly Evans were in attendance, as was employee Carey Brown. 6 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 had been grading roads and getting ready for winter. He said the water station bill taker and water meter both malfunctioned, and was looking for a replacement. The leak at the well casing was getting worse. There was discussion between the board and Carey; the issue needed to be addressed before snow, otherwise the station could be down until spring. Pam and Carey would work on getting some estimates together for the well casing repair. There was discussion on money; the budget was already tight. Money would have to be moved from reserves to repair the station.
- Shane made a motion to proceed with repairs as necessary, Kelly seconded; all in favor.
- Carey said that they had repaired the damaged pavement at the Buttercup highway entrance.

### **Treasurer's Report**

- Jame: The district had \$411,594 in cash assets, and \$1,754,938 in total assets and property as of the end of September. Total income for September was \$31,091, with year to date income of \$342,202, which is 84% of this year's budgeted income. Total property tax income YTD is \$204,076, which is 89% of this year's budgeted income. Total income YTD for the water depot is \$17,150 which is 78% of this year's budgeted income. Total expenses for September were \$30,427, and YTD of \$299,280, which is 69% of the yearly budget. The primary expenses for September were to Brennan Oil, Crossfire, and CHP in the amounts of \$4,814, \$2,833, and \$3,018 respectively.
- Pam made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report as read, Kelly seconded; all in favor.

## **Old Business**

- Ronnie Zaday gave an update on the mill levy election issue. She was in the process of getting the latest voter lists, and the ballots had been mailed on Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> for a total of 1183 qualified electors. She would be making up paper flyers to post at the bus stations, the Bar, Turkey Springs, etc with election info.
- Kelly gave an update on the Keno's Sheep issue: the DA wasn't interested in pursuing charges, and recommended filing another lawsuit if the Board wanted to pursue the issue. The board agreed there was no reason to go after this issue at this time.

## **New Business**

- Jame said that the accountant wanted access to the Metro's investment account for bookkeeping purposes. The board discussed the matter.
- Ken made a motion to grant the accountant read only access to the investment account, Shane seconded; all in favor.
- A resident had complained about the recent Republican Party gathering at the Metro park a couple weeks prior. She had been advised to attend and discuss this with the full board but was not present. The board discussed the issue, and were in agreement that free speech and assembly could not be regulated based on content of assembly, and would not be regulating political gatherings at the park.

## **Property Owner's Concerns**

- Jerry Evans said that the district should put up some one way signs at the water station, as some people were pulling in from the regular "exit" and causing confusion.
- Ronnie Zaday said that the HUTF reports were due to the state soon, so if there were any road size changes they should be reported to maximize road funding.
- Jim Petty wanted to thank the Metro for the work they do.

**Ken Barber adjourned the meeting at 7:02 PM**