# ASPEN SPRINGS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT PO Box 488 Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 970-731-5656

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors, Aspen Springs Metropolitan District was convened on September 8, 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 fourteen property owners and Archuleta County Sheriff reps, Richie Valdez, Brandon Bishop and Tanya Hamilton.

### CALL TO ORDER

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

#### ARCHULETA COUNTY SHERIFF

Richie Valdez spoke on the current situation on the evacuation and removal and relocation of the inmates to LaPlata County. He reviewed the costs that are incurred in LaPlata housing the inmates, possible relocations of the County building, possible reconstruction of the County building and procedures needed for this inconvenience. Other topics were reviewed, one being the issue of the meth problem in the area. Many property owner questions were discussed and answered. Brandon Bishop offered his email where he can get direct responses from individuals without going through dispatch.

## **MINUTES**

Kelly made a correction in the fence issues discussed last month. A motion to approve the August minutes as corrected was made by Pam; seconded by Sara; all in favor.

## PUBLIC WORKS

- Sara: Doug, on Simmons has requested work at the culvert in front of his house. Due to the drainage and Doug changing that, he is partly responsible for the problem. Carey spoke with him and will do what he can. Carey explained why the past attempts have not worked well.
- Sara: Trash is being dumped all over; Sheriff won't do anything unless it is witnessed. Other suggestions were made.
- •Ronnie Zaday spoke in regards to individuals requesting permission to cut trees that are on their own property, however in the right of way. Property owners DO have the right to cut their own trees IN the right of way, as long as precautions are taken to safety and the trees/weeds are not left IN the road.
- Carey: New tires for the motor grader are needed. He hasn't yet received the quotes requested. He is guessing approximately \$1,800 each. Because we're under budget on repairs, authorization was made to move forward on that.
- Carey: The water station was vandalized and someone hosed down the electrical panel, shorting out components. Repair/replacements to be ordered and assistance to be made by

Bill Eich. Pam suggested a debit card for minor purchases for Carey so he can purchase items, topped off at \$500.00. Kelly will follow up with the bank on this issue.

• Property owner Ricky White suggested a security system and offered assistance in setting one up.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Kelly: The District had \$257,461 in cash assets, and \$1,609,365 in total assets and property as of the end of the month of August. Total income for the month of August was \$26,159 with year to date income of \$294,018. The total income YTD is 78% of budget for 2015. Total property tax income YTD is \$170,253 which is approximately 92.72% of budget for 2015 of \$183,630. Total income YTD for the water depot is \$15,497 which is 55.35% of total budgeted of \$28,000. Total expenses for August are \$24,227 and YTD of \$233,922 which is 63% of budget. Primary expenses for August were \$1,310 to Trinity Consultants (testing) and \$3,340 to Rocky Mountain Health. (New plan starts in October.) •Gusieppe: Kelly will check to see if his hours are over or under from last year and readdress this at next meeting.

- Kelly: Sara has done some research and can save us \$80-90/month from our current Verizon Wireless plan.
- •Pam to follow up on the Century Link bill for our claim, because it has not yet been paid. Pam made a motion to approve the treasurer's report; seconded by George; all in favor.

#### OLD BUSINESS

- •Dick: Issue on Hollow Drive was brought up. The cul-de-sac at the north end is actually on Metro's property, however it visually appears as though it's on HIS property. Mr Snarr has made claims that he is the only one to have ever plowed or put gravel on that cul-de-sac and he thinks it should be left as is. Jen, with BLM, had suggested putting a request to have the BLM survey the property since any BLM survey trumps all other private or public surveys. The board was in agreement to have Pam follow through with sending a letter to Mr. Snarr to have the archway removed, as well as an informal inquiry/survey request to the BLM.
- •Pam: Ryan's Place cul-de-sac: Pam went up to the property to see that the new property owners had moved in to the middle of the road AND the cul-de-sac. Follow up was made to the Fire Department, Sheriff's Department and a letter to the new property owners. Some items have begun to be moved.
- Pam also sent a letter to Jessie Krebs, property on the corner or Ryan's Place, because of some personal property being stored out on the edge of the road.
- Pam: Bill's Place Property owners were in attendance and have totally complied with the written request of re-creating the cul-de-sac at the end of Bill's Place; approved by Carey.
- Dick asked Pam to make the yearly request of having the porta-potty removed for the winter season.
- Dick requested some more chairs for the meetings. Some were lost and/or damaged the previous year.
- Kelly dealing with the bank on re-doing all of the signatures. Dick requested to amend the previous months' minutes so that it can be used immediately for the bank, listing the exact names.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Dick and George will be working on the budget together. Kelly confirming that Dick is actually getting the emails if they're addressed to "Chairman@Aspenspringsmetro.org". She will follow up on that.

# PROPERTY OWNER'S CONCERNS

- Doug Roberts brought up his radio station stating that he can make contacts all over the country, as well as two-way radios in the area. His station can be used directly, without electricity in the case of an emergency.
- A property owner had a question about the road crew and the graveling on Far View area. Carey responded; gravel had run out. The issue with the individuals that were parked on the right away has been remedied.
- Kelly reviewed the timeline as well as the funds spent, on the Keno lawsuit, beginning with the initial legal filing and ending on the status today. This summary was provided in writing to anyone who was interested and all facts can be verified through the courts.
- Jim Petty spoke on the issue with the drug situation in our area. He is willing to put his time in and encourages anyone to assist him.
- Dick announced that the ASMD will be going into executive session to discuss matters which could include personnel or legal matters. Kelly made a motion to go into executive session; seconded by George; all in favor. Dick: We are going into executive session: 24-6-4024CRS.

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At 8:12 pm we reconvened the general meeting. Sara made a motion to continue with the recommended course of action by our attorney; seconded by Pam; all in favor.

Dick: meeting adjourned.