

ASPEN SPRINGS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
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A regular meeting of the Board of Directors, Aspen Springs Metropolitan District was convened on September 8th, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at the Aspen Springs Metropolitan District building located at 216 Metro Drive in Unit 5 Aspen Springs Subdivision. Elected board members Eric Davidson, Kelly Evans, Chris DeVries, Eric Freudenberger, appointee Pam Wallis, as well as one employee. In addition Steph from Wildfire Adaptive was present, and 2 homeowners

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 18:01 by Eric Davidson.

Approval of previous minutes

- August minutes were approved
 - **Motion:** Kelly, 2nd Pam, passed unanimous

Public Works

- **Ryan:** Been gravelling roads, mostly in unit 6, but doesn't think we will be able to stockpile all the gravel we need by end of year with current trucks and workforce.
- **Ryan:** When we get the new rules/ regulations on Indianland Rd, there will be some issues with everyone funneled onto Westview
 - Proposes we take \$25k from gravel budget to spend on widening narrow section of Westview
 - **Pam:** How long will it take? (can we accomplish before winter?)
 - Will need survey, Pam will try to get a hold of surveyor.
 - **Pam:** Will it need to be closed? (Ryan : Yes)
 - Will need coordination with the county and a time frame
- **Eric D:** Asks how repairs on the road equipment is going
 - **Ryan:** Water truck is in Farmington, hoping for around 5K in expenses
- **Pam:** Indianland Rd Gates: county manager wants to know if we want to split costs, and proposes doing installation.
 - **Eric D:** We shouldn't take any part with the gates, and focus on Westview.
 - County requested gates on the county road, county expense.
- **Pam:** Sent notices of encroachment and right of way to offenders.

Treasurer's Report

- **Kelly:** Similar to previous reports, high on equipment maintenance, but good on the rest
 - **Eric D:** How much are we going to be over?
 - **Kelly/ Chris:** We are on a good pace and tracking to be under.

- **Kelly:** Presented a letter regarding the Oak Hills Mediation suggesting interest of 18% for dues owed
 - Board discussed interest rate, and believe it should start at the date of July 27, 2026 when mediation was supposed to be resolved.
- **Motion** to approve the Treasurer's Report: Pam, 2nd Eric F, passed unanimously.

August	2026		
Total Funds (Beginning): \$246,946		Total Funds (Ending): \$376,148	
		YTD (\$)	% of Budget
Total Income		613,045	87
Property tax income		432,897	91
Water Depot Income		766	78
HUTF income		133,645	81
Total Expenses		485,705	71
Primary/Major expenses for the month:	Crossfire Aggregate		6,509
	Archuleta County Weed and Pest		2,759
	Crossfire Aggregate		1,950

Well

- **Pam:** New testing the state wants to do, and got some info on it. They want to do tests for new contaminants and are sending some folks.
- **Ryan:** Will work on recalibrating pump to 1 cent per gallon more accurately.

Park/Wildfire Adapted

- **Kelly:** Insurance should cover awning over park, since it was destroyed in a wind event.
- **Kelly:** Sherriff arrested person in Ute Park in RV, and said would tow. Are saying it is "private property" but it is technically in a county park.
 - Working to get RV towed properly, and not at ASMD expense.
- **Steph (WFA):** We do not qualify for the grant we were trying to get until the map of qualified areas is updated by the federal government.
 - **Kelly:** Obtained the unique ID's needed to set up accounts to access the grant application websites.

Review SDA Calendar

- **Eric D:** Budget and Supplemental for 2026, as well as proposed for 2027 need to be completed for the October meeting.

Budget /Election

- **Eric D:** Are there any additional requests for the budget?
 - The fuel tanks and for the equipment covers
- **Eric D:** Are we doing a Mill Rate increase?
 - **Chris:** Will probably have to wait to 2028, what about budgeting community education/outreach
 - **Eric/ Chris:** 10-20k should be good

Old Business

- **Eric D:** Road measurements, if we can measure width to current widths we can increase HUTF Funds.
- **Kelly:** Mailboxes: put in an official complaint with the USPS, and issues was tracked to current hold on progress. Said they may get to it this year.
- **Eric D:** Provided map of tentative sign locations for public outreach informative signs.
 - **Chris:** Inquired if we can put these under the “safety budget” being a public notice.
 - **Kelly:** It should
 - **Kelly:** Saw they cannot face the highway
 - **Eric D:** They face drivers approaching the highway, and are 6 ft by 1.5 ft.

New Business

- **Chris:** Should we approve the fuel tank purchase for Ryan this year on this budget?
 - At about \$18,600, should take care of this priority, as well as Westview if possible.
- **Eric D:** Spoke with Robert and found an area we can place buried cisterns to provide water in Unit 6 in case of emergency.
 - Waiting on reply

Property Owner Concerns

- **HomeOwner:** What is the planned Mill Levy increase you want to do?
 - Gave advise and insight on what numbers and aspects to incorporate into the calculation, and willing to help run numbers
- **Chris:** Agreed with homeowner about hiring a professional grant/legal writer to contract to look for grants and can prepare documents, and seeing if we can budget an income to accomplish this.
- **Eric F:** Received many emails about a pickleball ball court complaint in Ute Park. Women’s league not allowing DHH male to participate.
 - To be redirected to county, as in county park

Lot Consolidation

- No New Information

Meeting adjourned at 19:52 by Eric Davidson