

**HAMILTON CREEK METROPOLITAN DISTRICT**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**Thursday, May 15, 2008**  
**Silverthorne Library**

Attending Board members:

Ann Beauprez	Niel Christensen
Lowell Graves	Tom Hand

Others attending:

Bob Polich	Administrator, Mountain Systems, Inc.
Matt Willitts	Water Operator, Water Solutions

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM.

**Minutes.** *The minutes from the March 6, 2008 meeting were approved. (Hand/Graves,4-0).*

**Board of Directors.** The oath of office was taken by Tom Hand and Ann Beauprez who were elected to the Board May 6, 2008. *By unanimous acclimation the officers were set as:*

<i>Lowell Graves</i>	<i>President</i>
<i>Neil Christensen</i>	<i>Vice-President</i>
<i>Ann Beauprez</i>	<i>Vice-President</i>
<i>Tom Hand</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>
<i>Denny Archer</i>	<i>Secretary</i>

**Water operations.** Matt Willitts of Water Solutions reported normal water operations. Matt would help coordinate repairs on a list of utility boxes damaged during the winter snow removal. There was a summary of the water line valves, property shut off valves and fire hydrant valves for the new board members. A leak had developed in mid-April that was traced to a vacant lot curb stop. The valve was slightly opened and once closed the leak stopped. The water infiltration gallery blow out would increase in frequency during the run off period. The blow out process was described and a video example was shown. Run off had not peaked yet. There were no problems with run off at this time. Run off causes a yellow color tint to the water from the increased organics in the water source. Matt continued work on the District mapping during the winter and the completion of the project is near. There are two main line valves that appear on the original water line construction drawings, but have never been located. The valves could either be buried or may have not been installed. The valves would be important to maintaining water in the system if there was a main line break in the middle pressure zone. One valve is located near the Lake View Circle intersection and the other is below Eagle Wings Trail. The installation of new valves potentially could result in a temporary boil order for the water system. The estimate to install two new valves would be \$10,000 per valve.

**Water Rights.** The Hamilton Creek Metropolitan District water rights are conditional and a court filing for the continuation of the rights was due by the end of May. Water Attorney Glen Porzak has submitted an application to make the rights from the surface water diversion used since August 2003 and emergency well #2 used from 1995 to 2003 absolute. There was no response expected from the Water Court for several months.

**Snow Removal.** Many favorable comments regarding snow removal during the heavy snow winter had been received. There have been a few complaints regarding damage from snow removal. Any damage was in the road easement and was not the responsibility of the District or the plowing contractor.

**Financial Report.** A financial summary for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter ending in March 2008 was provided to the Board by Bob Polich of Mountain Systems. The snow removal expenses for the 2007/2008 winter season was higher than in the past, but for 2008 was still within the budget. A description of the expenses to date and the anticipated expenses was provided.

**Forest Maintenance.** The District has a \$12,500 matching grant remaining from 2007. The District had received payment of \$23,000 for work in 2007. The first phase of the 2008 forest work would be in the water plant and tank area and would be \$25,000 in total work utilizing the remaining 2007 matching grant. It was anticipated a grant of \$15,000 would be obtained for 2008 for \$35,000 in fire mitigation work. This work would remove dead trees in the areas worked on in 2007 up to the area around the cabins. The remainder of the work would be in the Alpenglow and Lakeview Circle areas. A small remaining portion of the budget was available for work not covered by the fire mitigation grants. The District would continue spraying of a selected number of common trees to extend their life. The District would not be providing log or slash removal for owners. The Homeowners Association was requesting all owners remove dead trees from their property and the cost of removal and disposal was the responsibility of the homeowner.

**Road maintenance.** There was 90 feet of guard rail requiring replacement at a cost estimated between \$9,000 and \$15,000. Two large asphalt patches were needed at Stormwatch Circle and Indian Paint with a cost of approximately \$12,000. Crack fill of the remaining roads was approximately \$20,000. There would be two sprayings for noxious weeds on the road right-of-way at a cost of approximately \$3,000.

**Septic Tank.** The septic tank pumping had begun. It was expected to be completed by the end of June.

**Water Meters.** A contract of \$44,000 was presented by HD Water Supply for the installation of two DCU reading units and 100 meters in the District. The Board had previously approved the installation of the meters with owners to pay \$300 for the meter on the July 2008 billing. *A motion was approved to accept the contract. (Hand/Christensen,4-0).* The meter installation was expected to begin in July.

**2008 Projects.** Following discussion of the maintenance work for 2008 the Board authorized the proposed forest management plan with costs not exceed the \$50,000 budget; pending confirmation with the State of Colorado regarding the main line water valve replacement, to have the two valves installed at a total cost expected to not exceed \$20,000; contract for the replacement of 90 feet of guard rail at a cost not to exceed \$15,000; contract for required asphalt patches and road crack fill at a cost not to exceed \$35,000; and to authorize the two sprayings for noxious weeds at an estimated cost of \$3,000. The District has approximately \$15,000 available from unused capital budgeted and could defer a portion of the Association loan reimbursements to allow funding of the projects approved.

**Next Meeting.** The next meeting was set for Thursday, September 4, 2008 at 2 PM.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 PM.