

**HAMILTON CREEK METROPOLITAN DISTRICT**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**Thursday, November 20, 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

President Lowell Graves called the meeting to order at 2:10 PM.

**Minutes.** *The minutes from the September 4, 2008 meeting were approved as written. (Hand/Beauprez,4-0).*

**Water operations.** Matt Willitts of Water Solutions reported normal water operations. An annual test in August 2008 for water disinfection byproducts slightly exceeded the action level. As a result quarterly sampling is required beginning in the fall of 2008 for one year. The annual average of the quarterly sampling will determine future sampling requirements and potential treatment requirements. The anticipation is the average result from the quarterly testing will be below the action level. The repair work on hydrant #12 (891 Lakeview Circle) was completed. The hydrant valve was located 11 feet below grade. Due to the depth and number of fittings the valve components were replaced rather than a complete replacement of the valve. The road surface was replaced prior to the winter closure of the asphalt plants. The annual Pressure Reducing Valves (PRV) maintenance was completed. A rebuild of the PRVs may be required next year. There was a review of the PRV valve locations and function in the water system. Manufacturing changes resulted in using a new bag type in the water production system. The new bag type was requiring more frequent replacement that was increasing the cost of operation. In the long-term the bag change might result in consideration of alternative water system treatment methods.

**Forest Management.** There was a discussion of the high cost of forest maintenance in 2008. The area around the water infiltration gallery was completed in 2008 as part of fire mitigation work. Dead trees near the road areas were removed to improve appearance. The priority for fire mitigation work in 2009 was the area around the water tank. There was a discussion regarding planning of replacement trees ranging from seedlings to larger trees. It was felt in the common areas the forest regeneration should be primarily natural. Providing assistance to home owners in installing larger trees would remain under consideration.

**Road Maintenance.** Some concerns had been raised regarding the fall crack fill work particularly on the upper portion of Lakeview Circle. The asphalt company felt the large crack fill was per planned, but would look at the problem areas. There was a discussion regarding the future resurfacing of the roads. The sections of damaged guardrails will be replaced in 2009. The lining of the road in corner areas only was felt sufficient.

**Water Meter Replacement.** There had been no firm date yet set for the replacement of the water meters with electronic read meters.

**2009 Budget.** No members of the public were present for the budget hearing. The 2009 Budget was presented to the Board and discussed by line item. The 40 mill levy would apply to the 2008 valuation. User fees remained the same at \$125 per quarter including 15,000 gallons of usage. Excess usage was at \$5 per \$1,000 to 20,000 gallons and \$10 per 1,000 gallons for usage above 20,000 gallons. Water tap fees were set at \$6,000 per unit. The budget package included separate budgets for each fund, a budget message, a budget resolution, and authorization of the mill levy. *The Board approved the 2009 budget, budget resolution and mill levy authorization. (Christensen/Hand,4-0).*

**Next meeting.** The next meeting was set for Thursday March 19, 2009 at 2 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 PM.