

HAMILTON CREEK METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Thursday, June 11, 2009
Silverthorne Library

Attending Board members:

Ann Beauprez	Niel Christensen
Denny Archer	Tom Hand
Lowell Graves	

Others attending:

Bob Polich	Administrator, Mountain Systems, Inc.
Matt Willitts	Water Operator, Water Solutions
Eddie O'Brien	18 Spinning Leaf Trail

President Lowell Graves called the meeting to order at 4:06 PM.

Minutes. *The minutes from the March 19, 2009 meeting were approved as written. (Hand/Beauprez,5-0).*

Water operations. Matt Willitts reported inside the water plant there had been a break in a water line that caused some flooding inside the facility. There was some minor damage, particularly to the operations computer that was already scheduled for replacement. The cause of the break is from fatigue to the PVC line connections from stress placed by the cycling of the pumps. A temporary repair was made and replacement parts obtained. The final repairs will be done in July. The existing alarm system in the plant has been upgraded to include a water alarm to provide immediate notice of any future water line breaks in the plant. Water usage has been slightly higher than the prior year during the low usage months through May. The quarterly water quality sampling for disinfection by-products was higher than anticipated in May and close to the maximum level. There was an explanation of the method of water sampling in the District at the farthest point of the distribution system to obtain the "oldest" sample. There was "jar testing" in progress during the run off period to obtain data for possible treatment to reduce the organics in the water. Preliminary results indicated there may be some possible methods available that would be part of any plant upgrades. The mainline water valves were exercised. The fire hydrants are scheduled for maintenance in June and an explanation of the maintenance process on a hydrant was provided. It was anticipated the Pressure Reducing Valve maintenance this year would be routine testing of the opening of the valve. The blow out of the infiltration gallery was more frequent during the current spring run off and the schedule would likely move to monthly as the water cleared. There was a discussion of the need to provide personnel at the water plant almost around the clock during run off season to keep up with water production. There was an additional cost during run off for the labor and frequent replacement of the bag filters. The possibility existed that run off could limit the ability of the District to produce adequate water to meet demand in the future. The garden hydrant valve in the Heather Way median was damaged this winter and is scheduled for repairs.

Water Plant Engineering. There was a discussion regarding the process to develop a plan to upgrade or replace the existing water plant to meet the future demands of the District. *The Board approved a motion to request a preliminary analysis of potential water plant upgrades from*

Clear Water Solutions who had previously worked on the temporary plant design. (Hand/Christensen,5-0).

Water Meters. The replacement electronic water meters and the Data Collection Unit (DCU) were available to start the water meter replacement program. The District was waiting on F.D. Taylor Electric to schedule the DCU installation. One DCU would be installed at the water tank and would utilize the internet connection wirelessly at the water plant. If another DCU became necessary, the Joint Sewer Authority Plant remained a possible location.

Water Plant Location. Owner Eddie O'Brien presented a concept to the Board if the water plant upgrade required moving the plant to a location off of Lakeview Drive, that a possibility existed to move some existing unimproved lots to this location. The move could increase the lot value due to better view lines. The increased valuation might result in more parties sharing in the cost of improvements necessary to locate the water plant at the alternate location.

Financial Summary. A financial summary through May 2009 had been provided to the Board. Overall the District was better than budgeted through the first five months. Snow removal costs were substantially under the amount budgeted. The cost of water operations reflected the spring run off additional labor and materials. The forest work was in progress and the effort would be to keep it close to budget this year. Expenses remaining for 2009 include the road repair, replacement of guard rails, electronic meter installation, and engineering for a water plant upgrade.

Septic Pumping. The septic pumping had been completed for the year. The concerns regarding changes to the pumping and inspections did not materially change the schedule or cost. An inspection of the system was required for any property transfer. The cost to install effluent filters was more than anticipated and Summit County had altered their policy and they were not mandated. No filters were installed as part of the pumping.

Forest Management. The District had 230 trees removed from the Timberwolf area in early May at a cost of \$45 per tree. A group of volunteer owners have been cutting and bringing dead trees to access points throughout the District. The District had arranged for Alpine Tree Services to chip the trees on a weekly basis. The cost of the chipping was \$600 per load. Many trees were being removed and the appearance of the area has been improved by the efforts of the homeowners. The District was awarded a grant of \$12,000 for a clear cut of approximately eight acres around the water tank. The grant required an equal or greater amount contributed by the District with the work to be completed by next spring. The work would be bid in the fall and a determination made if it could be completed within the current budget constraints.

Road Repairs. The District received a bid from Double M Asphalt for crack fill and road repairs. The road repairs are to remove road cracks too wide to crack fill and install an asphalt patch. Selected areas of the road would be patched. *The Board approved the proposal from Double M Asphalt for \$12,700 for road repairs and \$17,830 for crack filling (Christensen/Hand,5-0).* An estimate from Cruz Construction for guard rail repairs on Hamilton Creek Road in two sites was received and discussed. *The Board approved the estimate of \$7,400 from Cruz Construction for guard rail repairs. (Christensen/Hand,5-0).*

Next meeting. The next meeting was set for Thursday September 24, 2009 at 2 PM. The meeting date was changed to Thursday September 17, 2009 at 2 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 PM.