ELK MEADOWS SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT
ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL BOARD
AUGUST 30, 2024
COUNTY COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM

APPROVED MINUTES

Members Present – Dee Draney; Chairman, Ron Torgerson; Member, Wade Hollingshead; Member, Paul Burgon; Member

Electronic Participation – Shane Gadbaw; Member

Members Absent – Phil Emerson; Member, Gaye Christiansen; Member.

Officers Present – Brandon Jensen; District Manager, Brady Derbidge Assistant District Manager, David White; District Treasurer,

Electronic Participation – None

Officers Absent – Heidi Eyre; District Secretary

Audience – Becky Vandermeer, Louise Helton, Rich Gurrola, James Penny, Carrie Penny, Lance Wood, Jack Erwig

9:00 a.m.

Call to Order – Dee Draney called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. stating that a quorum is present.

Review and Approve June 28, 2024, Minutes. The board reviewed the June 28, 2024, minutes for approval and corrections if necessary.

Motion – Ron Torgerson made the motion to approve the June 28, 2024, minutes. Wade Hollingshead seconded. All approved without objection.

The approved minutes will be posted to the Utah Public Notice Website at www.pmn.utah.gov

Review and approve monthly bills – David presented the financial reports, bills that have been paid since the last meeting, and the accounts payable for approval. The board discussed expenses, accounts payable and receivable. David reported that he sent disconnect notice to a several owners that were seriously past due and received a good response from it. Several of the delinquent accounts are now caught up. David presented a list of properties that have been leaned by the county. David stated that it will be assessed on their property tax.

David reviewed the financials on the projects. Rich asked if the interest being accrued will be applied to the loan. David responded that any money left in the escrow account gets paid against the loan.

Motion – Paul Burgon made a motion to approve the financial reports, bills that have been paid since the last meeting. Wade Hollingshead seconded. All approved without objection.

Water System Status – Brandon reported that the Puffer Spring is pumping up to 120 g.p.m. Brandon stated that he believes that the pump at Puffer Spring got hit by lightning. Brandon reported that he has electricians coming to inspect it next week. The water system is up and running off the Forest Service Spring.

Brandon stated that they plan to do another assessment of the whole water system in the next few weeks to check for leaks.

Brandon reported that the new tank passed the leak down test. It is 100 percent ready to go. All that is left is for the state to come and inspect it. Sunrise is working with the state to schedule the inspection. Brandon reported that the Triple Chair Spring collection zone is about halfway done. They should be backfilling by the end of next week. It won't be ready to use until next year. Dee asked Brandon what he would expect it to produce. Brandon responded it should produce around 40 g.p.m. this time of year. Ron asked if it is a deep enough of a development to keep it from freezing. Brandon responded that it is 17 feet deep.

Paul asked for an update on the tank alarm. Brandon responded that they tried to install the alarm that they purchased, and it was the completely wrong set up. Brandon stated that the SCADA reps are coming next week and will advise him if there is something that can be done temporarily. Shane stated that the alarm needs to be a priority and requested an update at the next meeting.

Roads – Brandon reported that the roads washed out bad after the heavy rains. They have been hauling gravel and working on them. They used 20 to 30 loads of gravel in two days. Brandon stated that they are getting better but still need work.

Equipment Status – Brandon reported that they completed the trade with the County for the dump truck. The Chevy is in the shop with more problems with the front end.

Project Update – Brandon reported that Tushar Contracting has put a hold on the Pinnacle Club project while they work on finishing the Triple Chair Spring and the collection zone at Puffer Spring. Once those are completed, they will move back to the Pinnacle Club. Rollins is working hard and should have their part completed soon.

Grant Update – Dee reported that the grant is still being worked on we need the support of a Senator. The board discussed potential contacts that could help to secure the approval.

Wade Hollinghead gave a brief overview of the recent purchase of Puffer Lake by Beaver County.

Agenda Request – James Penny stated that he would like to request that phase I of the water repairs be put on the website specifically, expenditures. James would like to see a scope of work and breakdown of where the money is being spent. James asked who is paying for the road work on the loop in Pinnacle Pine. Shane responded that the road maintenance agreement is totally separate from what they are doing with the water. Shane also stated that water was put in there several years ago and was never used. It is an EMSSD system that was never used or turned on. The service district is replacing their antiquated system. Leo reported that EMSSD set aside the money that was paid in fees that came in when property was sold for the new water system. Pinnacle Pines is part of the project. The board discussed the continued need for meter pits. Leo stated that the information would not be on the website, but James is welcome to come into his office and view the documents.

Agenda Request Rich Gurrola – Rich stated that he recently visited a mountain town that had curb and gutter which was very nice. Rich stated that he had not thought about adding curb and gutter until he saw this. Paul responded that if the whole community wants to pay for it, we could do it. Dee stated that some of these improvements need to be done later. We need to take care of the things that we have going right now. Rich will speak with other owners on the mountain and see if there is any interest.

Fire Department Update – Jack reported that they just got the new ISO rating, and it is going from a 10 to a 5. Dee thanked everyone on the fire department for their work getting this done. James stated that they are also a Firewise community which helps on insurance premiums. Jack reported that during the annual chip fest in September they are offering a community day. All the families on the mountain are invited to attend on Saturday September 21st.

Water Rights Update – Leo reported that Joyce Barney has transferred 15-acre feet of water to Beaver County. Leo will need the board to approve a will serve letter to Beaver County from the Puffer Lake Spring. This is a water right that was purchased and moved up to the Puffer Lake area in about 1998. Leo stated that last November he received an extension on that water right to prove up on it.

Resort Update – Shane discussed some culvert repairs and dirt work that needs to be completed. Shane reported that he is working with several other individuals to create a history of the area. Shane stated that the Verizon is working through some legal issues, but it is not far off.

Old Business

None

Motion – Ron Torgerson made a motion to adjourn.

The next EMSSD meeting will be held on Friday, October 25th 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the Beaver County Commission Chambers.