

Deer Mountain Sanitary District Meeting

201 W. Main Street Suite 301 & via Zoom

November 8, 2024

President Oz Enderby called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Trustees Enderby, Dan O'Connor, Marty Fabens & John Bailey were present at the district office along with water operator Steve Ryan. Trustee Joe Kosel, attorney Talbot Wiczorek, AE2S Joe Noble, Mainline Brook Stromer & Shari Kosel appeared via Zoom.

Approval of Business Agenda. Motion by O'Connor, second by Fabens to approve the agenda. All approved.

Motion by Bailey, second by Fabens to approve the October 11 meeting minutes. All approved, Kosel abstain since he didn't attend. Motion by O'Connor, second by Fabens to approve the October 25 special meeting minutes. All approved. Motion by Bailey, second by O'Connor to approve the November 1 special meeting minutes. All approved.

Approve Treasures Report. Enderby updated with a balance of \$169,248.83. Motion by Fabens, second by Bailey to approve the Treasures Report. All approved.

Adjourn to Executive Session/Contract/Legal. Motion by O'Connor, second by Fabens to adjourn to Executive Session. All approved at 4:05PM. Motion by Fabens, second by Bailey to go out of Executive Session. All approved at 4:29PM.

Discussion and Approval of Progress Billings/AE2S/Mainline. Motion by O'Connor, second by Bailey to approve the AE2S billing. All approved. Motion by Fabens, second by Enderby to approve the Mainline billing. All approved.

Update on System Startup/AE2S/Mainline. The meeting discussed the status of various projects and concerns related to water pressure and meter installation. DMSD mentioned that some items, such as tree removal and erosion control, still needed to be completed. Joe Noble clarified that properties near the Pump House would have meters and PRVs installed to reduce pressure. Joe Kosel asked about the increase in water consumption, which DMSD attributed to leaks and testing. The conversation ended with DMSD and Brooke discussing the loss of water during tie-ins and the need to balance these losses.

Status BHE Contract for Power to Water Tank/Keating Payment.

2025 Operating Budget/Raw Water Rate from L-D Sanitary Effective 1/2025. Enderby notified the trustees that he has received notice that our water fees will increase in January 2025.

Discussion only items:

Items from the trustees. The trustees discussed approving a \$3,800 payment to Delmar Nelson for a Black Hills Energy easement that was previously approved but not recorded in the minutes. They also noted receiving around \$4,000 from DRM for water usage during construction. Brooke brought up several force account items for approval, including a water main break repair that has already been billed to Black Hills Energy. The trustees agreed to send invoices for the approved items but put the Presidents Park meter pit work on hold for further discussion. The payment to Delmar Nelson was approved during this meeting.

Items from the public. Mel raised concerns about high water pressure during the initial startup, which Noble and DMSD agreed to address.

Motion by O'Connor, second by Kosel to adjourn. All approved at 5:09 p.m.

Next Regular Meeting TBD

ADJOURN

Approved 11.25.24

Shari Kosel

Secretary/Clerk/Notary