

PURGATORY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

A joint regular meeting of the Purgatory Metropolitan District and the Purgatory Metropolitan La Plata-San Juan Sub-District was held Wednesday, April 19, 2023 at the Purgatory Metropolitan District Community Center. Directors John Ogier, Sharon Henschen and Mark Gebhardt were in attendance. Board member in attendance, via Zoom, was DeeDee Carlson. Also in attendance Eric Hassel, Frankie White and David Smith. Mark Gebhardt made a motion to excuse Susan Voorhees. Sharon Henschen seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Minutes

Sharon Henschen made a motion to approve the March 8, 2023, minutes. DeeDee Carlson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Management Report

Eric Hassel reported that the District request through Senator Hickenlooper's office for Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) has advanced to the second phase. Eric does not expect to hear anything for several months. Eric applied for grant funds to cover a portion of the new wastewater treatment plant construction.

Rick Johnson and Eric Hassel are drafting the owner's manual for the owner supplied equipment in the new wastewater treatment plant. Eric expects the district will go out to bid the second or third week of May. Several local contractors have expressed interest in bidding on the project. Work will have to wait for the snow and ice to melt, and then for the mud to dry up before the project can get started. Rick Johnson sent a memo to the board explaining that design costs are over budget and he is submitting a request for additional funds to cover work he has done but not billed the District for at this time. The total unbilled amount requested is \$218,475.00 for the period August 2022 through April 2023. Sharon Henschen made a motion to direct Rick Johnson to continue the design process and to pay his current invoice. DeeDee Carlson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Eric Hassel brought a request for the final will serve letter for the Black Bear project. Eric explained that the District has sufficient capacity to serve this request. Mark Gebhardt made a motion to sign the letter. Sharon Henschen seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Eric Hassel presented an easement agreement with LaPlata Electric for the installation of an electric line to the new wastewater plant. Sharon Henschen made a motion to approve signing the easement. Mark Gebhardt seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Eric Hassel reported that the Forest Service has asked the District to confirm that we have public access to a horseshoe easement the Service has in the base area. The Forest Service wants to guarantee their ability to access the easement. David Smith will review a map of the area as part of his review of the easement prior to the board signing the easement request.

Eric Hassel would like to give the snow removal staff a hooded t-shirt from the District. 25 shirts will cost \$1,532.00. Mark Gebhardt made a motion to approve the gifts to the snow removal staff. Sharon Henschen seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Eric Hassel presented a request from Carrie Cline owner of Mother Cline's liquor store in the Kendall Mountain building. She was not aware that the District has a sales tax, so did not collect it. The state has billed her for the uncollected sales tax. She has paid approximately \$3,500 to the state, the District will get those funds in two months. Ms. Cline has asked the District to reimburse her for the payment she has made. The board directed Eric to tell her to ask the state for a payment plan, and for Eric to contact the state telling them that the District does not oppose a payment plan.

Financial Report

The board reviewed bills being paid today. John Ogier made a motion to approve paying the bills. DeeDee Carlson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned. Next Meeting: May 17, 2023, at 9:00 am in the Purgatory Metropolitan District Community Center.