
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MEEKER SANITATION DISTRICT

Regular Board Meeting

September 4, 2024

Chairperson Hoke called to order the Board Meeting. The regular meeting of the Meeker Sanitation District Board of Directors was held Wednesday evening September 4, 2024, at 7:00 P.M. at the Meeker Sanitation District Board Room at 265 8th Street. Notices were posted prior to the meeting at the Clerk and Recorder Office, Town Hall, Post Office, Office of the Meeker Sanitation District and published in the Rio Blanco Herald Times and on our website. The following persons were present:

Director Hoke	Director T. Day	Office Manager Willey
Director Hooper	Director C. Day	Plant Manager Nielsen
Director Balloga	Attorney Borchard	

Additions or Changes to the Agenda:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS WRITTEN OR WITH CHANGES WAS MADE BY DIRECTOR HOOPER, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR BALLOGA.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 7, 2024 BOARD MEETING WAS MADE BY DIRECTOR HOKE, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR BALLOGA.

**MOTION CARRIED.
DIRECTOR C. DAY ABSTAINING.**

890 5th Street Residence Sewer Line:

Mike Tate called the office on August 14, 2024 about a sewer backup at 890 5th street. The District line was jetted and no blockages were found. Mr. Tate had his line camera inspected and located, which showed his lateral line is in good shape. Mr. Tate's lateral sewer line crosses over our District sewer main and ties into an unknown lateral. He was informed that he needs to get his line attached to the District sewer main. Mr. Tate was invited to attend the September 4th Board meeting to discuss the issue with the board. Mr. Tate was not in attendance at the meeting. The board reviewed and discussed the problem and determined that it was not the responsibility of the District to attach Mr. Tate's lateral sewer line into the District main.

WR Commons Annexation – Public Hearing:

The notice for a public hearing was published on August 29, 2024. Chairperson Hoke closed the regular board meeting and opened the public hearing at 7:18 p.m. No public was in attendance. Public hearing was closed, and regular board meeting resumed at 7:24 p.m.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE RESOLUTION ORDERING THE ANNEXATION OF THE METES AND BOUNDS LEGAL DESCRIPTION ATTACHED AS “EXHIBIT A” OWNED BY COLBY 2023, LLC INTO THE MEEKER SANITATION DISTRICT WAS MADE BY DIRECTOR T.DAY, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR HOOPER.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Property Liens for Delinquent Accounts:

Tax liens will be filed for those people whose accounts are 6 months and \$150.00 or more delinquent. There are presently 8 accounts in that status. This information may change before the December 11th deadline to finalize tax liens. We will do another resolution and filing at that time.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE RESOLUTION TO FILE PROPERTY LEINS ON:

- 1. PROPERTY OWNED BY CARL PADILLA, \$320.00, 695 11TH STREET, CITY OF MEEKER BLOCK: 076 LOT: 1 & 2 N ½ OF BOTH; AND**
- 2. PROPERTY OWNED BY SHANNON MERRIAM, \$320.00, 315 PARK AVENUE, CITY OF MEEKER BLOCK: 005 LOT: 12; AND**
- 3. PROPERTY OWNED BY TASHA ARCHULETA, \$320.00 713 HILL STREET, PURKEY-COCHRAN RESUBDIVISION LOT: 1 ACCORDING TO THE PLAT RECORDED 2/6/15 RECEPTION #309747 FORMERLY KNOWN AS BLOCK 69 E1/2 OF LOTS 1, 2, 3; AND**
- 4. PROPERTY OWNED BY MAXCY KATSOCK, \$320.00, 1283 PARK AVENUE, CITY OF MEEKER BLOCK: 097 LOT: 14 &15 SUBLOT 3; AND**
- 5. PROPERTY OWNED BY RAYMOND COMER, \$240.00, 1036 PARK AVENUE, CITY OF MEEKER BLOCK: 088 LOT: 2; AND**
- 6. PROPERTY OWNED BY LARRY VANDUSEN, \$320.00, 1010 JULIE CIRCLE, SANDERSON HILLS SUBDIVISION LOT: 22 SUBLOT B RESUBDIVISION; AND**
- 7. PROPERTY OWNED BY TRAVIS HARDY, \$240.00, 242 PARK AVENUE, CITY OF MEEKER BLOCK: 016 LOT: WEST 45 FT OF LOT 2; AND**
- 8. PROPERTY OWNED BY CLINT SHULTS, \$280.00, 790 GARFIELD STREET, CITY OF MEEKER BLOCK: 024 LOT: 4,5,6 & W ½ OF LOT A.**

WAS MADE BY DIRECTOR T. DAY, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR C. DAY.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

43 6TH Street Construction of Driveway:

We received information from Carly Thompson with the Town of Meeker regarding the property at 43 6th Street. The owners are Trenton and Kathryn Kindall, and they are requesting to encroach into the Town right of way by 20 feet to construct a driveway on 6th Street. The board was made aware and agreed that this does not affect the District sewer main as the closest main is in Water Street and not near the proposed driveway location.

Health Insurance Renewal:

The District is in receipt of the renewal documents for health insurance for employees. The premium for 2025 renewal will increase 13.5% on the medical portion and 4% increase for dental and no increase to vision or life insurance.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL WITH A 13.5% INCREASE FOR MEDICAL AND 4% INCREASE FOR DENTAL WITH NO PLAN CHANGES WAS MADE BY DIRECTOR T. DAY, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR C. DAY.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Plant Report:

Lab results were within permit limits.

Lefever Building Systems is making good progress on the Wastewater Treatment Plant building. Plant Manager Nielsen stated that the roof is almost done, and walls are about 50% completed on the building.

The sludge load out change order from Lefever Building Systems came back very high. Plant Manager Nielsen did not recommend that we do this right now and JVA Engineering agreed that it can be done cheaper. The board was informed and agreed with this decision.

Office Report:

The preliminary 2025 Budget was presented for review. The District has received the valuation from the Rio Blanco Assessor's office, and it has increased from last year's valuation. The District's Property Tax revenue increased by \$1,744.37 with the 9.47 mill levy. We did receive \$44,834.00 from Senate Bill 23 Backfill in May of this year. We will bring more in property taxes than were appropriated in the 2024 Budget.

The Board was asked about a 2025 employee wage increase. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistic, Denver-Aurora-Lakewood CPI is up 1.9% and Wet Region CPI is up 2.6% from a year ago. The Board agreed to a 2.5% on the average employee wage increase.

MOTION TO APPROVE AN EMPLOYEE WAGE INCREASE ON THE AVERAGE OF 2.5% WAS MADE BY DIRECTOR BALLOGA, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR C. DAY.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Board:

The Board reviewed the Delinquent Accounts, Profit and Loss Statement, Balance Sheet, and Bank Statements.

The Board reviewed the current bills and QuickBooks Accounts Payable Report.

MOTION TO ACCEPT AND PAY THE BILLS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2024 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$60,205.99 WAS MADE BY DIRECTOR BALLOGA, SECONDED BY DIRECTOR T. DAY.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Transfer was done from Colotrust to Bank of the San Juans of \$50,000.00 to cover bills and grant and loan reimbursable invoices from Lefever and JVA Engineering.

Director T. Day gave permission to use their signature stamp.

The meeting was adjourned, the next regular Board Meeting will be held on October 9, 2024.

Chairperson

ATTEST
