

**ASPEN SPRINGS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT**  
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A regular meeting of the Board of Directors, Aspen Springs Metropolitan District was convened on June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at the Aspen Springs Metropolitan District building located on Metro Drive in Unit 5 Aspen Springs Subdivision. Elected board members Kenneth Barber, Kelly Evans, Pam Wallis, Eric Davidson, & appointee Chris DeVries were in attendance. One employee attended. Three property owners attended.

### **Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order at 18:00 by Kenneth Barber

### **Approval of previous Minutes**

- May's minutes were approved. – **Motion**: Kenneth, 2nd: Kelly, Passed unanimous

### **Public Works / Well**

- Kenneth: We need a plow truck and 2 plows at \$8.5k each. The vehicle should be a crew cab with less than 80k miles on it. The capital budget line stands at \$72k available funds.
  - **Motion**: Eric – Authorize \$60,000 to procure 2x plows and a gas-powered crew truck, installation in Denver. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Chris, Passed unanimous
- A new motor grader will be needed soon, so explore different lease to purchase options. **Kelly to determine how many more payments are needed to pay off the roller.**
- Carey: New computer available, but cannot get into email.
- Getting quotes for new asphalt at the highway approaches
- Hurt Bridge has a tunneling pocket that looks like it may be undermining the bridge supports.
  - **Contact County Road & Bridge and try to get Mike Torres to get an up-to-date inspection and a plan for correcting the problem**
- The work of 6 people using \$800 in smoke bombs over two days had some effect on prairie dogs, but not 100% kill, for sure.
- Need to use the weed-eater around the perimeter of the park, also need to add a pesticide as there are fleas & ticks in the wood chips.
  - **Motion**: Kenneth – Authorize \$400 to procure an industrial weed-eater. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Eric, Passed unanimous
- Will be renting a mower from SWAG to clean up the greenbelt areas.
- Eric: Still need a Project Specification sheet developed for the Buttercup water tank re-coating.
- Pam: Century Link working on documentation for their claim of cable damage.

### **Treasurer's Report**

- Kelly presented May's financial report

- A few line items have ‘blown up’ (over 100% of annual budgeted amount), and these must be accounted for in the Oct. Budget Amendment
  - **Motion** to approve April’s Treasurer’s Report Eric, 2<sup>nd</sup> Pam, Passed unanimous

May	2024		
Total Cash (Beginning):		\$384,008	Total Cash (Ending): \$561,842
		YTD (\$)	% of Budget
Total Income		410,035	65
Property tax income		278,593	63
Water Depot Income		8,665	43
HUTF income		75,026	52
Total Expenses		232,201	39
Primary/Major expenses for the month:		Crossfire Aggregate	12,655
		CRS (Accounting Firm)	2,946
		Trinity Land Consultants	1,780

**Review SDA calendar**

- No SDA-type activities until July.
- Regional Workshop is planned for Durango on 21 June for anyone interested.

**Budget / Election**

- No new info

**Park / Fire**

- See comments above in Public Works section.

**Old Business**

- Our attorney reports that there has been a request for a 10-day extension on the 14 June deadline by WRB & Ass. which the board has agreed to do.
- No new information from Oak Hills board of directors
- It has been discovered that Oak Hills residents do not pay any property taxes toward Pagosa Fire Protection District!
- Oak Hills Cease & Desist request and Friendly Forest request to negotiate in good faith both read into the minutes.
  - **ASMD would like it to be known that it is still willing to negotiate in good faith and we will work with both parties. We believe this is an issue that is best solved through neighborly cooperation and friendly dialogue.**

**Lot Consolidations**

- Lot Consolidation Requests this month.
  - None received
  - No Notice of Property at Tax Lien Sale received

**Property Owners’ Concerns**

- Stephanie Davidson, ASMD’s Ambassador to Wildfire Adapted and similar organizations, presented a plan called “Chipper-Palooza” – to be run on June 22-23 (**Correction, June 29-30**) at Ute Park. The cost of equipment & gasoline will be around \$500, of which 50% of the chipper cost will be

reimbursed by the forest service.

- **Motion**: Chris allot \$500 in funds to cover the initial cost of the chipper activity, 2<sup>nd</sup> Kelly, Passed unanimous

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 by Kenneth Barber