

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
COLORADO CENTRE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING**

Thursday, August 28, 2008 at 5:00 PM
4770 Horizonview Drive
Colorado Springs, CO 80925

Board Members Present:

Michael Cantin	President, Vice-President
Frank Ingraldi	Vice-President, Vice-Chairman
Floyd Edwards	Treasurer
Shawn Eccles	Secretary
Michael Terry	Assistant Secretary/Treasurer

Also Present:

Al Testa, Paul Anderson, Cynthia Monroe, Sandy Goad

NOTE: Due to technical difficulties this meeting was not recorded.

I. **Preliminary**

- A. Call to Order
Director Ingraldi called the meeting to order at approximately 5:03 p.m.
- B. Roll Call - Determination of a Quorum.
A Quorum was present.
- C. Acknowledgment, Notice and Consent to Regular Meeting-Entered with the minutes.

II. **General Business Items**

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 24, 2008.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 24, 2008. Upon a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

- E. Legal Report – (Paul)

Mr. Anderson gave his report at this time because he will need to leave the meeting early because of prior commitments.

- Cuchares District/Development – Service Plan Amendment Process and Water Case.

Mr. Anderson and Dr. Testa reported that regarding the water case draft decree, objections have been presented by Widefield to the Colorado Centre application to draw more water out of the Jimmy Camp Creek aquifer to supply the Cuchares

Ranch. The water supply issue is critical. There is sufficient time and options to solve additional water needs. Dr. Testa will have meeting with the City of Colorado Springs to see if they can lease to CCMD the necessary water out of their 1200 acre-feet entitlement. Dr. Testa and Mr. Anderson will report back to the Board regarding any new developments regarding the water needs. Regarding invoicing Cuchares, Dr. Testa stated that beginning January 1, 2009 payments will be made for the entire year.

Mr. Anderson reported that the Service Plan Amendment has been approved and will go in front of the County Commissioners on September 18, 2008 for final approval. This allows the District to issue debt, De-Bruce, and be eligible for GOCO funds.

Mr. Anderson has had no feedback to date on the airport land lease.

Mr. Anderson has not had any feedback on Lower Fountain. The "consolidation" issue is not a concern anymore.

- Jimmy Camp Creek Park Site Matter/SDS

There will be a final decision early next year on the SDS. They have announced that they will accept additional comments regarding SDS.

The Jimmy Camp Creek and Library issue are on hold at this time.

B. Review of District Finances - Cindy

- Bank Balances - Cindy

Cindy Monroe gave the report on bank balances at this time. Ms. Monroe reported that as of August 26, 2008 the District has \$2,879,926.48 in funds with \$2,803,158.73 unencumbered. The ColoTrust rates are at 2.39%. One of the First Community CD's is at 5.25%.

- Budget Review - Cindy

Cindy Monroe reported on the budget comparison for calendar year 2008, month of July post 2007 audit.

- Review 2009 Audit Proposal by Hoelting & Company

A proposal letter for the 2008 CCMD audit was submitted by Hoelting & Company, Inc. The Board & staff have reviewed this proposal

A motion was made and seconded to accept the audit proposal for FY2008 submitted by Hoelting & Company, Inc. Upon a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

C. Approval of Payables - Cindy

The Board reviewed the list of payables.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the current list of payables as presented. Upon a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

D. District Operations

- Water and Sewer Operations (Pedro)

Pedro Velazquez reported that everything is going great. Our water loss is minimal especially in comparison with other districts. The BOD/TSS continues to improve resulting in a big savings in regards to Fountain Sanitation treatment.

- Water & Sewer Demand & Augmentation Reports (Al)

The augmentation report was given for the period November 2005-October 2006 which is what is paid back at this time. There is a credit of -212.13 acre-feet. Dr. Testa relayed that it is important to be able to sell the credits and he is researching the best ways to do this.

- Parks (John Wheeler)

Mr. Wheeler attended the meeting to report on the progress in the new park. Some of the equipment (swing sets and benches) have been set-up in the park. The irrigation installation has been completed. Approximately 150 shrubs and trees have been planted. There will be blocks placed around the sand toddler area and "squigy" rock will be the material for the inner play area. Big rocks have been moved into place. The wire fence will be replaced by a three rail wood fence. The Board suggested that the fence replacement be put on hold. It may be possible not to have to install a fence after all the landscaping is complete. The sod area around the water attraction will be put on hold until next year. A walkway in and around the park will begin this year.

- Discuss Rewards for Successful Reports that Lead to Conviction of People Caught Damaging or Stealing District Property.

Discussion focused on past and present problems with individuals damaging CCMD property and also hydrant water theft.

A motion was made and seconded to approve a reward of up to \$1,000 for successful reports that lead to conviction of people caught damaging or stealing district property. Upon a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

- Discussion on Late Payments (Sandy/Floyd Edwards)

Discussion focused on the problem of the high number of late payments. After discussion, the Board concurred that a late payment charge would not alleviate the problem. The Board recommended calling the late payers one time and if disconnected they would have to wait 24 hours to be reconnected. Also, when the field personnel go to the residence to disconnect they should not knock on their door to let the resident know they are there to disconnect. They also will be charged \$30.00 for each time the personnel go to their residence (trip fees).

E. Legal Report – (Paul)

This item was reported on earlier in the meeting.

F. Fire Services – Tom Byes

- Activity Report

Fire Chief Tom Byes reported that for the month there were six medicals, one smoke investigation, two automatic alarm soundings, and two public assists. He reported that all the fire fighters need to be a State certified EMT. He is checking all certifications and all will become compliant. A new GPS unit was purchased which will be used to land helicopters at the exact location where it is needed. The GPS can also be used to find well and water treatment plant coordinates.

- Additional Landscaping (Al)

Dr. Testa reported that seven trees have been purchased for the fire station. They will be planted in October. Fran Shawcroft has been retained to do gardening and landscaping around the fire station, along Horizonview and in the parks.

G. El Paso County Water Authority – (Al)

Minutes from the June 4, 2008 meeting were included with the Board packets. The Transit Loss Model is still a priority at meetings. Dr. Testa has concerns regarding a legislative item that will allow people to capture rain water. Representative Marsha Looper is sponsoring this legislation.

H. Fountain Mutual Irrigation Company – (Al)

No decision has been made regarding FMIC's proposal to the City of Fountain regarding exchanging the No. 4 & No. 17 water rights for FMIC shares. Dr. Testa will keep the Board updated once the City of Fountain responds. The Big Johnson Reservoir has been an item of discussion also.

I. Lower Fountain Metropolitan Sewage Disposal District

- Minutes

Minutes of the July 10, 2008 meeting were included with the board packets and a LFMSDD board packet from the August 24, 2008 regular board meeting.

- General progress update (Mike)

Director Cantin stated that “finally” everything is moving forward. The political side is finished. The agreements are all signed with regard to the interceptor. Dr. Testa reported that the bank didn’t approve the loan. He is continuing to look at all financing options (State, Federal, grants, private, etc.).

J. 2008 Election Ballot (Sandy)

We will be participating in the coordinated election to take place on November 4, 2008. We will have one ballot question concerning The Lower Fountain Metropolitan Sewage Disposal District New Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant Project and funding for this project. This question will be asking if the District shall be authorized to incur a long-term financial obligation for purposes of Section 20 of Article X of the Colorado Constitution, without adding new taxes or bonds, for the purpose of construction of a new regional wastewater treatment plant and interceptor line by LFMSDD. The ballot question has been certified to the El Paso County Election Department.

Additional information will be distributed via the newsletter and flyers concerning this important election question. Also, two Special Meetings will be organized to take place on September 17, 2008 and October 15, 2008 each beginning at 6:00 p.m. These will be public forum informational meetings regarding the new park and the election question regarding funding of the wastewater treatment plant. The meetings will be held in the fire station bay.

- Reaffirm Resolution 20080724.1 for 2008 Election Participation

A motion was made and seconded to reaffirm Resolution 2008-07-24.1 authorizing participation in the November 4, 2008 El Paso County General/Coordinated Election. Upon a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

- Approve Long Term Debt and Ballot Question Resolution 20080828.

A motion was made and seconded to authorize Resolution 2008-08-28.1 regarding a ballot to approve a multiple-year fiscal obligation for lower fountain expenses. Upon a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

- Christmas Party Update – Added Guests, Commissioner Hisey?

The Board approved having the Christmas Party at the Antlers Hilton on December 13, 2008 from 6:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. They also concurred that it would be appropriate to include guests from Lorson, Rolling Hills, Cuchares and also Representative Marsha Looper and Commissioner Dennis Hisey on the invitation list.

K. Public Comments

None.

III. Adjournment

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the regular meeting at approximately 8:10 p.m. Upon a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Cantin, President

Shawn Eccles, Secretary