

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

Tuesday, January 14, 2014 at 5:30 PM  
4770 Horizonview Drive  
Colorado Springs, CO 80925

Board Members Present:

Michael Cantin	President, Chairman
Shawn Eccles	Vice President, Vice Chairman
Joan Lucia-Treese	Treasurer
Karen Harvey	Secretary
Michael Terry	Assistant Secretary/Treasurer

Also Present: Al Testa, Cindy Monroe, Tom Byes, Josh Winter, Paul Anderson, Pedro Velazquez, and Sandy Goad

**I. Preliminary**

- A. Call to Order  
Director Cantin called the meeting to order at approximately 5:30 pm.
- 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 December 13, 2013.

**A motion was made and seconded to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 13, 2013. Upon a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.**

- B. Board's Time.

Director Lucia-Treese reported that she has been re-appointed to the Highway Advisory Committee. This appointment is for four years. Since the County has little or no policies regarding speed bumps, a HAC sub-committee has been formed to research speed bump issues and write policies. These policies will be submitted to the County Commissioners for approval. Director Lucia-Treese is the Chair for this sub-committee.

Director Cantin has real concerns about the street lights at Marksheffel and Bradley. Mountain View Electric has been called numerous times in the last few months and the lights have still not been repaired. Director Cantin would like to have Mountain View Electric notified that payment will not be made until these lights have been repaired. Mountain View Electric will be contacted by staff to resolve this issue.

C. Changes to the Agenda

No Changes.

D. Public Comments – Maximum of 5 minutes per person who has signed in.

Long time resident, Susan Vaughn, was in attendance and expressed her concerns about the tumbleweed problems and also flooding and drainage issues that are adversely affecting her property on Breaking Dawn. She stated that since the Cuchares Ranch developers raised the elevation behind her lot, it has caused a funnel effect that catches all the tumbleweeds along her fence. Also, the raised elevation has caused drainage and flooding in her back yard. The Board commented that the drainage and flooding problem is a County issue and should be taken to the County Land Use department. Also, the County Commissioners meet every Tuesday and Thursday and do have a comment period for public input. Commissioner Hisey has been very receptive to our problems and would be a beneficial person to talk to about these issues. They suggested that she talk to the Cuchares developers also. Director Terry will investigate where she can go for help regarding the tumbleweeds and some type of mitigation that can be done. He will contact Ms. Vaughn with this information.

E. Review of District Finances (Cindy)

- Bank Balances

Ms. Monroe gave the report on bank balances at this time. As of January 9, 2014 the District has \$2,711,480.21 in funds. The District's expendable funds are \$2,480,539.93.

- Budget Review

Ms. Monroe presented the budget review for calendar year 2013 month of November.

- 2013 Audit Proposal by Hoelting & Co.

Hoelting & Company sent their proposal for the 2013 audit. Their fee for these services will be \$18,425.00.

**A motion was made and seconded to accept the 2013 Audit Proposal by Hoelting & Company. Upon a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.**

- Bank Transfers and Other Banking Activities

None.

F. Review and Approval of Payables (Board)

The Board reviewed the list of payables.

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

G. Review of Architectural Concept Plans for New Administration and Water Plant Buildings.

Mr. Terry Van Sant was in attendance and presented architectural concept plans for new CCMD administration and water plant buildings. After researching an addition to the existing fire station, it was determined that by doing an addition it would create an annexation liability. Per the annexation agreement if the City annexes the fire station then the addition would be included in that annexation. By building a separate building on our land this would alleviate the annexation liability. The Board would like Dr. Testa and Mr. Van Sant to put together numbers, pros, cons, etc. regarding separate buildings. Dr. Testa will facilitate this and report back at the February, 2014 Regular Board Meeting.

**A motion was made and seconded to approve the pursuit of architectural concepts for separate administration and water plant buildings on Colorado Centre land and discontinue pursuit of other options. Upon a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.**

H. District Operations

- Parks, Water and Sewer Systems (Pedro)

Superintendent Velazquez reported that water and wastewater operations are going smoothly with no problems. The field personnel have been doing extensive cleanup of tumbleweeds and pine needles. They have been taking the electrical items and the generator from the lift station. These items will be used or sold.

- Augmentation Report (AI)

Due to the fact that we will be flowing to Lower Fountain in the near future and the fact that Colorado Springs could potentially be flowing with us, Dr. Testa is re-designing/re-programming the augmentation report. It needs to be approved by the State as being correct. It will be available at the next regular board meeting.

Dr. Testa will be conferring with the Colorado Water Protection and Development Agency regarding them buying all of Colorado Centre's excess water (the price would be reduced if this occurs). This would be beneficial because all of the water would end up being used. He will report back on any developments

concerning this scenario. Also, Dr. Testa conferred with Cherokee Water and they informed him that they are working with Woodmoor Water and Sanitation.

For the month of December we produced approximately 4.4 million gallons and sold approximately 4.3 million gallons. For the year, we produced approximately 84 million gallons of water and sold approximately the same amount. The water loss is minimal. We pumped approximately 4 million gallons of wastewater to Widefield.

- Tree Removal Completion (Al)

Tree removal along the sewer line has been completed.

- Update on Cuchares Development (Cindy, Sandy)

There was one lot sold in January to Premier Homes. The total to date for all the filings is 250 (Build out is 408). Filing 6 is in process. Filing 7 is the last filing.

Dr. Testa stated that concerning Bradley Heights Development, our proposal is on the table and we are finished negotiating until the City makes a counter offer or accepts our proposal.

Dr. Testa included documents in the Board Packets supplied by our water attorney. (Order Approving Use of New Wastewater Facility and Vacating Trial and Ruling of the Referee and Decree of the Water Court/Diligence Report).

- I. Legal Report (Paul Anderson)

Mr. Anderson reported that the Cuchares Park Grant has been signed by the County. There has been no conveyance yet by Cuchares.

Mr. Anderson reiterated that per the annexation agreement, if the Fire Station is annexed then “everything goes” to the City. (Per our discussion regarding building separate administration and water treatments buildings on CCMD land).

A discussion concerning a proposed increase in the system improvement fees commenced at this time. It was concluded that it will be noticed as a public hearing issue either in the newsletter or by a separate mailing. The public hearing will take place at the February 27, 2014 Regular Board Meeting.

Also the 303D listing workgroup is moving forward and Mr. Anderson is getting more involved with this sediment issue.

Mr. Anderson commented that the EPA is in the process of drafting a “Waters of the US” document regarding jurisdictional waters. He is tracking the progress of this rulemaking action.

Mr. Anderson relayed that there is a State draft bill regarding setting up a Firefighter's Safety and Disease Prevention Fund in the form of a Grant program.

J. Fire Department Report

Chief Byes and Assistant Chief Winter reported that the County contacted our fire department regarding putting together a County wide task force. Due to the size of our department Chief Byes and Chief Winter are not sure it would be a good fit for us to be involved in this. They will do further research on this matter.

Also, due to the fact that the current County ESA contract with AMR is ending, they have been researching how this will affect us. They will be conferring with the City and County regarding ambulance service.

Dr. Ross, our physician advisor from Penrose is leaving in May, 2014. The hospital hasn't decided on a replacement for him.

Assistant Chief Winter reported that for the month of December, 2013 we responded to 14 alarms. For the year 2013 we responded to 184 alarms as opposed to 172 alarms in 2012. Assistant Chief Winter is applying for an ESA Grant to purchase medical equipment. Assistant Chief Winter clarified the 911 dispatch calls and the process that occurs for every call.

K. Fountain Mutual Irrigation Company (AI)

Minutes of the November 21, 2013 and the December 19, 2013 Regular Board Meetings were included with the Board packets. Also included were the January 8, 2013 FMIC minutes of the Annual Meeting.

Dr. Testa commented that the Annual Meeting took place today.

At the regular meeting today the dredging of Big Johnson is a continuing discussion issue. The Board would like Dr. Testa to research this issue and give his feedback on the best way to move forward.

L. Lower Fountain Metropolitan Sewage Disposal District (Mike Cantin)

Minutes of the December 12, 2013 and January 9, 2014 Regular Board Meetings were included with the Board packets plus the Agenda for the January 9, 2014 Board Meeting.

● Progress Report

Director Cantin commented that the Lower Fountain operation is going very well. The monthly meetings have been moved back to Fountain Sanitation which is a more convenient location for all members. The contract with Weaver will be

closed at the end of March. The \$20,000 allotted for trees will be ~~given over~~<sup>offered</sup> to Ms. Hanna for her to plant trees at her own discretion.

Dr. Testa commented that the interceptor is moving along. There have been a few weather delays but it looks like we will be flowing to Lower Fountain on April 1, 2014.


M. Executive Session, if needed. Used for legal, contract and personnel matters only.

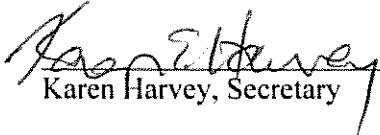
No Executive Session Needed.

### III. Adjournment

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the regular meeting at approximately 8:30 p.m. Upon a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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Michael Cantin, President

  
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Karen Harvey, Secretary