

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
CRESTED BUTTE SOUTH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
August 28th, 2024**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Crested Butte South Metropolitan District was held Wednesday August 28th, 2024 at 6:30 p.m., at the office of the District, 280 Cement Creek Road, join <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83611909747?pwd=YCDMjPMVtN2895M5yo0vseITJevnTd.1> Meeting ID: 836 1190 9747 Passcode: 807843

Board Members in Attendance: Margaret Dethloff – President, Kurt Feltus – Vice President, Tom Hein – Secretary Treasurer, Benita Bellamy – Director, and Steven Smiley – Director

Also present Were: Ronnie Benson - District Manager and Annie Parr - Recorder & Office/HR Manager, Lisa Brin, Avy Brin, Wesley Minett, Molly Minett, Brian Levine, Jackie Bringham-Levine, Damien Hawcroft, John Byler, Alexis Byler, and Bill Kastning

I. Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order by Dethloff at 6:48 p.m. after a site visit at the wastewater treatment plant.

II. Public Comment Period

- The members from the public present attended the meeting on a polite basis to try to find constructive solutions to the speeding on Blackstock Dr. and Bryant Ave.
- The public voiced the traffic speed checker and signs are not slowing traffic.
- The public stated there are not enough resources for law enforcement to properly enforce speeds in CB South and looking for alternate ways and infrastructure to slow traffic speeds like planters or removable speed bumps.
- Benson recognized it is a difficult situation because the roads in CB South are public roads under Gunnison County jurisdiction that nobody is responsible for. Benson also stated that whoever puts out speed bumps or devices in the road or easement to calm traffic is liable if they cause an accident.
- The public present was asking for the Metro Board to support and bring the agreed upon solution for traffic calming to the County to have more weight.
- The Board suggested creating a safety committee to address road safety and create a petition to bring to the County directly
- The Board voiced how much the community's voice needs to be heard regarding road safety outside of the Metro District.
- The District would research if we can create a safety committee as a Special District regulated by Title-32.
- The public asked if the District knows of any other unincorporated areas that had similar problems and how they solved them, and the District did not know of any other areas within Gunnison County that were unincorporated that addressed road safety that were not private roads.
- Benson has had several meetings with the Gunnison County Sheriffs voicing the need for increased traffic calming and safety in CB South.

- The Board indicated if the group or public safety committee acquired a viable legal petition and solution the Board could be utilized as an advocate.

III. Approve Meeting Minutes from July 24th, 2024

MOTION by Bellamy and seconded by Feltus to approve the minutes from July 24th, 2024 with the grammatical edit discussed. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. July 2024 Financial Reports and Current Bills

- July's major expenses were Rice Lake West for the wastewater treatment plant expansion construction payment 23, Valley Water Compliance for the installation of 87 water meters, Capital One for credit card charges, and Innovative Utility Solutions for water meters.
- July bills and financials discussed were Rice Lake West for the wastewater treatment plant expansion, legal notices/advertising and County Treasurer Fee expenditures in the General Fund, the Centennial Equipment credit card charge for a pump at the wastewater treatment plant, HUTF revenue in the Road Fund, Innovative Utility Solutions for water meters, and Spallone Construction for hauling road maintenance materials. The Board found all bills and financials discussed to be in order.

MOTION by Feltus and seconded by Smiley to approve July's current bills. Motion passed unanimously.

V. Next Steps in Road Strategy

- The Board reviewed the paving and funding survey results and future steps.
- The Board considered increasing the road maintenance fee to better maintain the existing infrastructure.
- After further discussion the Board was in favor of not increasing the road maintenance fee in 2025 but keeping maintenance mostly the same with a little added maintenance through additional grading, watering and roller compaction.

VI. Culvert Repair at 131 Floyd Ave.

- The District installed a culvert 5-6 years ago at 131 Floyd Ave. The owner Thomas Hein purchased the culvert, and the District installed it for free as it did for other residence in the past.
- The culvert was hit by Gunnison County last winter which revealed that the driveway was not approved. The driveway has since been approved by the County.
- Hein is asking the District to reinstall the culvert.
- The culvert does help with keeping drainage off the roads, but it could be considered private work.
- The Board felt the District should reinstall the culvert because it helps to protect roads and is in the road easement.
- Hein the District's Secretary Treasurer of the Board disclosed the circumstances of the culvert repair at 131 Floyd Ave which is his residence and recused himself from voting on the matter.

MOTION by Smiley and seconded by Feltus to approve reinstalling the damaged culvert at 131 Floyd Ave and fix damaged culverts in the road easements that will affect drainage. Motion passed unanimously.

VII. Manager's Report

- The survey for the Employee Appraisal of the District Manager will be completed and the Board Appraisal of the District Manager would become available mid-September. The District will be using the same survey platform that is handled by an outside company and is completely anonymous for both appraisals.
- Discussion on StarView development and how several points in the article from the Crested Butte News were inaccurate.
- The District has provided StarView with the ability to serve letter.
- \$53,000 was collected in tap fee revenue in August. The total tap fee revenue for 2024 is 305% of the budgeted amount.
- Benson anticipates presenting the first draft of the 2025 proposed budget at the next regular meeting of the Board on September 25th, 2024.

VIII. Unscheduled Business

- The lowest bid received from the RFP for the replacement and repair of the stretch of Cascadilla Street from Teocalli to the RTA bus loop to include entry and exit radius improvement and hole repair was 12% more than the original bid.
- The Board approved contributing \$5,000 towards the project at the July 24th regular meeting.
- Benson requested the approval of an additional \$5,000 for a total contribution of \$10,000 towards the \$151,700 total project costs.

MOTION by Bellamy and seconded by Smiley to approve contributing an additional \$5,000 for a total of \$10,000 towards the replacement and repair of the stretch of Cascadilla St from Teocalli to the RTA bus loop to include entry and exit radius improvement and hole repair. Motion passed unanimously.

IX. Adjourn

MOTION by Bellamy and seconded by Hein to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.



Drafted/Submitted By: Annie Parr