

DONALA WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES
April 18, 2024

The Board of Directors of the Donala Water and Sanitation District met in regular session at the District's water treatment facility, 15850 Holbein Drive, El Paso County, Colorado on April 18, 2024 at 1:30 P.M.

Directors Present: Wayne Vanderschuere
Bill George (excused absence)
Kevin Deardorff
Ed Miller
Scott McCulloch

Staff Present: Jeff Hodge
Carla Edwards
Ronny Wright
Aaron Tolman

Consultants Present: Roger Sams (GMS)
Brett Gracely (LRE)

Guests: James Howald (OCN)
Jackie Burhans (OCN)

President Vanderschuere called the meeting to order at 1:30 P.M.

Approval of Agenda:

- No changes to the agenda.

Public Comment Non-Agenda Items:

- No public comment.

Review of Minutes:

- Minutes from March 21, 2024, Regular Board Meeting accepted.
 - Miller motioned to approve, Deardorff seconds, all aye.

Review of Financial Statements and Check Summaries:

- Hodge stated revenues are where they need to be, and we are well within budget.
- Approval of Financials
 - Miller motioned to approve, Deardorff seconds, all aye.

General Manager Report by Jeff Hodge:

- Attended the Loop meeting and discussed two important items:
 - Approve a request to go out for an RFP to look for firms to finalize the alignment of the waterline.
 - Also, to start working on the civil design for the treatment facilities that would be located at the JVA Ranch area.
- Money for ARPA needs to be encumbered fully by December 31, 2024.
- DU Water Law Symposium is taking place on April 19th.
- The Quarterly Wastewater Ops Meeting took place in April. The NMCI is still moving forward.

Water Report by Ronny Wright:

- Finished some cleaning and maintenance on the lower plant. Replaced the grates on one of the filters, still waiting on one of the clearwater pumps to be returned (still waiting on a propeller).
- The upper plant is working well. No issues.
- Finished new source water sampling, just waiting for results to come back from the lab.
- Well 11D pump seized, it had multiple VFD fails and Layne had to come down to try multiple times to restart the well. Layne is working on a cost estimate to fix the issue. This is one of the wells that needs rehabbed.
- Viking and S&S Coating will be working on the water tanks doing sand blasting and coating, respectively, beginning in May.

Wastewater Report by Aaron Tolman:

- E. Coli is at 23.0 MPN, which is a little elevated from last month, but still within limits.
- W.E.T. testing is being completed next month. We are waiting for the results.

Consultants Comments:

- Gracely stated LRE is completing the paperwork to access our grant money we were awarded for the ASR pilot program.
- Gracely also said Donala's Pueblo Reservoir water was spilled due to the level being too high during run-off season. Predicting an average yield this year.
- Vanderschuere asked if this happened again in the future, would we be able to sell the water instead of spilling it.
- Gracely stated, yes, this could be a possibility between AGRA and Triview. This would be through a process called book or water reservoir exchange. It would take some prior planning and completion of a settlement or court dates through Triview's decrees since they have several active cases.
- Sams is working on putting together the fees that are owed by the Monument Fire Station upgrades.

Directors Comments:

- Vanderschuere stated, on June 6th, Mountain View is hosting their annual meeting. Hodge and himself will be attending the presentation. That same evening CSU will also be giving a presentation. If anyone wants to attend either event let him know.
- Deardorff asked if TAP fees are dependent on the size of the pipe. Hodge responded that they are based upon the connection. Basically, one in the same.
- Deardorff also wanted to know if Donala does an inspection of the pipes and connections. Hodge responded, yes, we always perform an inspection.

Public Comment:

- Burhans wanted to know which fire house we were referring to in the meeting. Edwards responded, with Monument Fire.

Meeting adjourned at 2:46 P.M.

These minutes are respectfully submitted for record by Carla Edwards on May 9th, 2024.