

DONALA WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES
MAY 19, 2022

The Board of Directors of the Donala Water and Sanitation District met in regular session at the District's office, 15850 Holbein Dr., El Paso County, Colorado on May 19, 2022 at 1:30pm.

Directors Present: Ed Houle
Wayne Vanderschuere
Kevin Deardorff
Bill George
Ed Miller

Staff Present: Jeff Hodge
Christina Hawker
Tanja Smith
Carla Edwards
Mike Boyett

Consultants Present: Roger Sams (GMS)
Brett Gracely (LRE)
Linda Glesne (General Council)

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

President Houle called the meeting to order at 1:30pm.

Approval of Agenda:

- Approved.

Public Comment Non-Agenda Items:

- Service for Ellie Judd will be June 2nd at 10am at the USAFA Community Center Chapel.

Review of Minutes:

- Minutes from April 2022 Board Meeting accepted
 - Deardorff motioned to approve, Vanderschuere second, all aye.

Review of Financial Statements and Check Summaries:

- Donala revenue at 69.25%. Expenses at 77.29%.
- Waste Plant revenue at 71.83%. Expenses at 66.25%.
- General Fund return is 1.10%.
- Moving funds to BOK, should make enough to cover debt service.
 - Vanderschuere motion to accept, George second, all aye.

Swearing in of Newly Elected Directors:

- Edward Miller Oath

- Wayne Vanderschuere Oath
- Election of Board Officers

Annual Audit:

- Hoelting and Company presented 2021 Audit.
 - Clean opinion, no significant findings.
- Mountain View Electric Association Election
 - Cast Vote

Manager's Report:

Holbein Upgrades: Monday, May 23rd the filter media installation will begin. We are planning to have the plant fully back online sometime in June. Customers will be notified when back online and what radium results are.

Well 3D: Is back online and pumping about 120 gpm.

Well 8A: This well is ready to be put back into service as soon as the Holbein Water Plant is back online.

Well 12A: This well is ready to be placed back into service

Well 16A - Permitting and Drilling New Well: As of Monday May 16, 2022 the well is at a depth of 615 feet out of about 1340 probable total depth. There were some initial noise complaints but working with our contractors the noise levels have been reduced to levels as low or lower than the study predicted we could attain. We hear that the electric company has begun laying out conduit to be installed to the site. The water court case is moving forward and should be complete before the work on the well is anticipated to be complete.

- As of May 17, had drilled to 750 feet, then had a safety involving a contractor. Drilling stopped until investigation could be completed. Should start up again tonight.
- Had a late start with initial drilling process which resulted in a couple of noise complaints. Contractor did not supply enough sound panels to surround site. This has since been rectified.

County Loop: The Loop Group met with the eastern entities on May 18th. We continue to work towards forming the authority. Hoping to have the authority together by late summer so we may start applying for funding.

NMCI:

- CSU had a meeting April 25th. CSU wants a final answer and comment to the project and design by August 1, 2022.

Certifications: Ross has passed Distribution 1 Certifications.

Ranch: Troy and a representative from Timberline at the ranch today to replace a battery after communications went down.

Water Production: Currently producing over 1.2 million gallons per day. Dry and windy conditions have led to an early irrigation season.

Selection of Officers: The following were voted unanimously:

- President - Ed Houle
- Vice President – Wayne Vanderschuere
- Sec/Treasurer – Kevin Deardorff

- Director – Ed Miller
- Director – Bill George

Wastewater Report:

- Plant producing good quality effluent, however biosolids are above the TENORM exempt level of 5 pCi/gm. Levels have improved in most recent analysis. Just sent out another sample and will have those results before Rule 20 takes effect on July 14.
 - March biosolids radium test results from Energy Laboratories were:
 - Radium 226 – 5.2 pCi/g-dry – down from 14.1 pCi/g -dry
 - Radium 228 – 5.6 pCi/g-dry – down from 8.9 pCi/g-dry
 - Working with Mike Scharp, Rocky Mtn. Region VP of Sales, and Environmental Services at Denali Water to be in compliance with Rule 20.
- Waste Management, our grit hauler, let us know last week that our Profile to send grit and screenings to the landfill will be terminated on July 14 unless we can demonstrate our grit is below the exempt level of 5 pCi/g. Sampled and shipped grit samples to Energy Labs this week so we can have results back in time to renew our profile.
- Appears that CDPHE is moving to require wastewater facilities to regulate TENORM limits through pretreatment regulations already in force “to prevent the introduction of pollutants into POTW’s which will pass through the treatment works without receiving effective treatment or otherwise be incompatible with such works.” Boyett is certain TENORM and PFAS regulation will be included in our new permit with specific limits. Connecting to CSU for wastewater treatment will not change the requirements.
- BOD and suspended solids continue to be outstanding.
- Trojan UV system ceased working in automatic and has been run manually for the past month. Changed sleeves on one bank and waiting for parts to change sleeve on second bank.
- Have had intermittent communications with SBRs. Per Timberline the PLC is failing. Awaiting quote to replace PLC unit.
- Continue to make repairs and rehab the South Digester in preparation to go to two digester operation.

Public Comment:

- None

Meeting adjourned at 2:28 pm to Executive Session:

CRS §24-6-402(4)(b) Advice from Donala’s General Counsel on a legal question regarding 2 contracts.

CRS §24-6-402(4)(a) Contract Negotiation for Long Term Contract with CSU.

CRS §24-6-402(4)(e) Contract Negotiation for Design of NMCI.

CRS §24-6-402(4)(f) General Manager Annual Review.

George motion to move, Deardorff second, all aye.

Meeting adjourned out of executive session with no reportable action taken.

These minutes are respectfully submitted for record by Tanja Smith on May 20, 2022.