

Aspen Trails Metropolitan District
Regular Board of Directors Meeting
Minutes for Tuesday, February 21, 2006
771 Aspen Drive
Durango, CO

Meeting called to order at 7:04 pm

Board members present: Jennifer Bayer, Brian Vlass, Bob Foisel, Judy Bolton, PJ O'Connell (by phone).

Public Present: O'Ryan Gassaway

Approval of Agenda:

A motion was made to accept the agenda.

Motioned by: PJ O'Connell

Seconded by: Jennifer Bayer

Passed by: 5:0

Reports

Financial

Bolton reported that there were seven lien notices outstanding. Of the 2006 assessments, we have received \$10,730. There is \$36,000 outstanding in assessments. Cash available is \$26,000. Bolton reported that the audit exemption is on course. Three properties have changed ownership since January 1, 2006.

Operations/Maintenance

Year to date, \$738 has been spent on snowplowing. Vlass will contact Alpine Road Works to assure grits are applied to Sierra Drive.

Road condition is icy in spots.

Board Member Projects

Bayer – petition for DSL. Bayer is drafting resolution for DSL.

Foisel – Collis was contacted. Agreed to waive the 2006 assessment in lieu of repairing the driveway.

Bolton – Seedling trees follow-up. Bolton received application forms for seedlings. According to the Army Corp of Engineers, part of our responsibility is to re-seed and re-enforce erosion area. Bolton suggests that the Boy Scouts may be interested in volunteering for this project. Cost of trees is \$30 for 50 trees.
Approved.

Discussion and/or Action Items

1. Minutes for January 24, 2006 meeting

A motion was made to accept the minutes.

Motioned by: Judy Bolton

Seconded by: Jennifer Bayer

Passed by: 5:0

2. Election discussion/action for May 2 election (for new board members)
Vlass, Designated Election Official, reported two self-nomination and acceptance forms have been received to date.
3. Nominations of new board member candidates.

No discussion or action

4. 2006 Construction -- guidelines for subcontractors, roads schedule, evaluation

Discussion: Foisel suggested to survey roads to establish markers for inventory identification and signage for impassable roads.

5. Board correspondence- DSL postcards & Qwest letter, utilities notification posters.

Discussion: Bolton suggested a "Frequently Asked Questions" (FAQ) and Tips for "Rural Living" newsletter. A finalized version would be posted in the Metro District and on the website. DSL petitions to continue. Drop box for assessments payments was discussed. Vlass suggest that secure system is already in place for payments via USPS (United States Postal Service).

New Business

1. A general discussion ensued regarding prioritizing roadwork for 2006.
 - a. Culverts to be installed to preserve prior road work.
 - b. Removal of hazard trees.
 - c. Determination of easements of LPEA regarding trees being removed within their right-of-way.
 - d. Discussed concerns of fire mitigation due to drought conditions.
 - e. Bayer suggested home-made concoction for dust control. Legal concerns for EPA requirements were discussed. O'Connell suggested researching internet for "green solutions".
 - f. O'Connell suggested establishing a model to use in determining guidelines for further construction. I.E. a section of road used as the standard -- materials, compaction, cost per distance, drainage, ect.

- g. Work session to be scheduled to determine construction parameters and priorities. It was suggested each board member survey district and make appropriate suggestions to the board. Discussed reviewing summer work sessions and verifying if identified issues have been addressed.
- h. A discussion ensued regarding "Rates, Tolls and Fees" and "New Construction".
- i. O'Connell suggests another bond issue to finish roads rather than as planned. Discussion.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:02 pm

Minutes submitted by Brian Vlass.

Brian Vlass
Brian Vlass, Secretary

4-18-06
Date

