

APPROVED
June 27, 2024

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF BATTLEMENT MESA METROPOLITAN DISTRICT**

Held, Thursday, May 23, 2024, at 401 Arroyo Drive, Battlement Mesa,
Colorado

Call to Order	President Jane Chapman called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.
Attendance	A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Battlement Mesa Metropolitan District, Garfield County, Colorado was called and held as shown above and in accordance with the applicable statutes of the State of Colorado, with the following Directors present and acting: Jane Chapman Toby LeBorgne Jerry Mohrlang Steve Rippy, Alex Morris, and Brenda Locker were also in attendance.
Public Attendance	None
Notice	Was posted for the meeting.
Quorum	Was established.
Conflict/Disclosures	None
Public Comments	None
April 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes	A motion was made by Director LeBorgne, seconded by Director Mohrlang to approve the April 25, 2024, regular meeting minutes. The motion carried unanimously.
April 2024 Financial Statement and the Account Manager's Report	A motion was made by Director Mohrlang, seconded by Director LeBorgne to approve the April 2024 Financials subject to audit. The motion carried unanimously.
Manager Report	<u>Wastewater Clarifier:</u> A couple weeks ago Mr. Rippy emailed Board Members concerning the recent availability of a contractor to do needed upgrades to the #2 clarifier at the wastewater plant. The clarifier has been out of operation for several years and staff have previously attempted to get the equipment back in operating condition. We have recently had a capable contractor inspect the clarifier and prepare a bid to complete the needed upgrades. This same contractor was unable to inspect the clarifier last fall in order to provide a bid, so we did not include the project in the adopted 2024 budget. The cost of the project is \$210,000. To offset the additional costs in the 2024 budget we propose to drop the upgrade project to the RV Park lift station as we see it as less of a priority than the clarifier project. The budgeted amount of the RV Park lift station is \$190,000. Therefore, staff are requesting approval

from the Board to move forward with the clarifier upgrade and move the RV Park lift station to the 2025 budget. GCFMLD Traditional Grant: As you recall, the BMMD was awarded a grant in the amount of \$95,000 to pave the road that services the water and wastewater plants. BMMD staff has currently met with two contractors to provide bids on paving the road. Additional bids are being solicited and it is hoped that we will be able to finalize a bid price and contractor in the next couple of weeks.

Water Valve Replacement: BMMD staff completed the replacement of a water valve on the 12" watermain at the intersection of Stone Quarry and Northstar near Canyon View. The failing valve was discovered when staff were doing preparations to shut water off in the watermain to allow connection to the main from the new Half Moon subdivision. The utility Manager, David Beecraft, recognized the valve was not closing properly and put plans together for its replacement. The valve, which was an original installation, had been completely worn out from the years of service. A traffic control contractor was required to provide traffic control on Northstar and Stone Quarry. Due to the depth of the valve JC Excavating was hired to complete the dig with their larger excavator. The project was completed in one day and went extremely smooth. David Beecraft and BMMD utility staff, as always, did an excellent job coordinating and completing the project without any issues.

Water Plant Pump installation: last June the two large pumps (3.0 MGD) at the water plant failed requiring the plant to operate utilizing the smaller wintertime pump (1.5 MGD). Fortunately, the BMMD had a 3.0 MGD pump in reserve stored at the maintenance building. That pump was installed, and the plant was back at full production within a couple days. Last year we ordered two more 3.0 MGD pumps. One pump was to be installed at the plant and the other was to be placed in storage as an emergency backup. Two weeks ago, the pumps were delivered and one of the pumps has now been installed at the plant and the other placed in storage. Staff have also ordered a new 1.5 MGD pump as a backup for the smaller pump.

New Business

Assistant Manager, Alex Morris, presented a proposal to switch internet providers for the office and the Water/Wastewater Plants. The current provider is Century Link, and Ms. Morris proposed switching to Starlink. Century Link has not been a reliable provider with a multitude of outages and not being able to withstand the speed that the office and, most importantly, the water and wastewater plant requires to run efficiently. With research, Starlink seems to be the more superior provider, with less outages and a higher speed, for better functionality. Director Mohrlang made a motion, seconded by Director LeBorgne, to approve switching from Century Link to Starlink as the internet provider for the BMMD office and the Water/Wastewater Plants. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

None

Other Business

After discussion from the Manager Report, Director Mohrlang made a motion, seconded by Director LeBorgne, to approve the purchase of the Wastewater Plant clarifier upgrade and move the RV Park Lift Station project to the 2025 budget. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:43 a.m.

The foregoing constitutes the true and correct minutes of the above referenced meeting and were approved by the Board of Directors of the Battlement Mesa Metropolitan District on May 23, 2024.



Secretary