

**Indian Mountain Metropolitan District
Minutes of Regular Board Meeting
Keneu Court Community Center**

January 14, 2017

Call to Order-Welcome to all 9:03am

Additions to and Approval of Agenda: tape recording board meetings?

Board Attendance: Susan Stoval, Bret Crouch, Tom Odle, Louise Mark, Glenn Haas

Guests in Attendance: Charles Phillips, Larry Siverson, Carl and Carmen Neu, Roger Mattson, Jim Scheerer, Marcia Logan, Maria and Mike Benetti, Joy and Dave Hines, Tim Higgins, Carla Odle

Secretary's Report (Glenn)

Motion: The Board approves the minutes of the December 10, 2016, regular Board Meeting.
Unanimously approved

Treasurer's Report (Tom)

Motion: The Board approves the Treasurer's report for the December 2016 balances.
General Fund=\$127,709 Special Conservation Fund=\$5,586 Total=\$133,296
Unanimously approved

Business Manager Report (Samantha)

- Nothing to report.

Maintenance Report (Charles)

- Lodge faucet replaced but otherwise all in good shape

Unfinished Business

- Burn pit----lots of forest slash; we need the conditions to burn before opening in May or so. It will be a Fire District decision.
- 2016----Susan opened the floor to a general discussion of IMMD accomplishments in 2016: parking lot, popularity of burn pit and its volunteer management program; District Board election; slash removal in IM Park; continued water litigation. Overall a rather quiet routine year for IMMD.

New Business

- Meeting schedule for 2017: Regular Board meetings will continue to be held on the second Saturday of each month starting at 9am at the Community Center on Keneu Court. The meetings are open to the public.

Board Resolution: The Board agrees that public notices associated with all regular and special meetings of the Board in 2017 will be posted at the Community Center, Comfort Station, and the County Office Building in the hallway past the Assessor's Office door.

Unanimously approved

Other planned functions were identified: May 28th Community Open House; July 1 IM Picnic; July 2 IMPOA Dumpster; IMPOA annual members meeting Aug. 12th; chili cook-off in late Sept or early Oct.; Volunteer luncheon in early November; Craft Fair in mid-November; Cookie exchange on Dec 9th.

- Forest Fire Mitigation: Several public complaints were received by Brett related to cutting live trees as part of the fire mitigation efforts in IM Park.

Roger Mattson provided an overview of the fire mitigation program and work with CUSP which has been a jointly funded IMPOA/IMMD program for a number of years. The program focuses on removing dead trees (down or standing) and forest slash posing a fire or public safety hazard. He acknowledged that on occasion live trees have been removed (i.e., crowding, competition for water) to meet the overall program objectives; that such decisions are not taken lightly and must be based upon best practices. He also acknowledged that at the end of the day it is a "value judgement" as to which live trees to cut.

Brett shared a number of publications with the Board from the CSU Extension Service and Colorado State Forest Service. He presented a case for not cutting live trees and expressed his opinion that he opposes the practice.

There was no formal vote or action taken, but it was encouraged that in deciding where and what trees to remove it would be best to have team (e.g., 2-4 people) evaluate and make a shared decision.

Brett also brought to the attention of the Board that forest fire mitigation work often opens us a forest to moisture and sunlight, and thus stimulates the growth of tall grasses. He pointed out that our facilities should have a defensible space of 40' where the grass is not taller than 8". The Board agreed to organize a work party later in the spring to ensure the grass is cut around the Lodge.

- Water Update:
Glenn reported that we are still waiting to hear if the Colorado Supreme Court will hear our case. No timetable on when we might hear.

The Elkhorn case against Bar Star (former IMC) continues to move forward. We are waiting on a court date.

Glenn brought along a DLJ75 ¾" water meter he bought for \$78 from the Daniel L. Jerman Company. Jerman is one of the water meter models and manufacturers posted on the HASP website. He plans to install and measure his water consumption.

Glenn also talked with a representative from Dana Kepner Company in Denver. They sell Sensus water meters. Both Kepner and Sensus are also posted on the HASP website. He reminded the Board and informed the guests that a Dana Kepner sales representative will attend the Feb. 11th regular IMMD Board meeting for an introduction into water meters and to host a Q&A session.

- Tape Recording IMMD Meetings

Bob Cole is the IMMD attorney for special district association matters. Glenn and Roger Mattson met with Bob in December on IMMD water matters, but also discussed the tape recording of IMMD meetings. It was learned that IMMD may tape record any regular Board meeting or just certain agenda items within. Or IMMD does not have to tape record any part of a meeting---and what takes place at one meeting does not serve as precedence at another meeting. A decision by the Board about recording can be made at the beginning of any regular meeting with the public being informed. Taped recorded sessions should be archived for at least 6 months.

Public comments taken as part of the meeting
Meeting adjourned 10:40 am
Next Meeting: February 11, 2017 at 9:00am

Minutes prepared by Glenn Haas, IMMD Secretary and approved by the Board on Feb. 11, 2017.