

Indian Mountain Metropolitan District Minutes for Regular Board Meeting

July 8, 2017; 31 Keneu Court, IM Community Center

Call to Order-Welcome to all 9:07am

Additions to and Approval of Agenda---well house

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

Guests in Attendance: Larry Siverson, Pat and Bev Bushaw, Carmen and Carl Neu, Charles Phillips, Jim Scherer, Becky Sturgeon, Pete Ambrose, Julie Barlock, Tom Dobson, Marcia Logan, Karen and Jim Swain, Jeff Pod, Karla Odle, Kevin Scofield, Tom Walling, Don Frye, Ed Brown, Lavonne Brown, Jeanie and Craig Campbell, Tim Higgins, Roger Mattson, John Getrost, Mary Black, Deb and Brian Griffin, Calvin and Linda Ryber, Gene Nagel, Brian Simpson, Gary Mc Adam, Kellie and Gary Halligan, Tanya Kuetil, Dave Castellano. (regrets for any misspellings; several people arrived late whose names may have not have recorded)

Secretary's Report

Motion: The Board approves the minutes of the June 10, 2017 Regular Board Meeting.
Unanimously approved

Treasurer's Report

Motion: The Board approves the Treasurer's report for January, balances include:
General Fund = \$190,411 Special Conservation Fund = \$5,957 IM WSP=\$14,985
Total = \$211,354. Spreadsheet forthcoming. *Unanimously approved*

Business Manager Report – Samantha

- FYI-A set of important keys has been lost along IM trail.
- Given that water litigation has concluded, Sam suggested that future invoices from IMMD attorneys Peter Ampe and Bob Cole be paid for in total by IMMD and not shared with IMPOA. The Board agreed

Maintenance Report – Charles

- All is good with facilities
- Recommended a replacement of tee signs on the pasture golf course. Tom agreed to research options.

Unfinished Business

- Annual Picnic---Susan reported on the event; well attended; kudos to volunteers were extended; good time had by all.

- Noxious weed work---Bret reported that on June 21 we sprayed for the thistle; about 1 acre in total; the final cost has not been received; Bret indicated we may need to spray again in some small areas as well as next year.
- Well House at RV dump station---Bret indicated that we need to address the well house at the RV dump station at some point; it is poorly insulated and there is a cost for electric wire tape; no actions decided at this time.
- Burn pit---Susan reported on a recent meeting with Chief Bargass of the Jefferson-Como Fire District; he stated he supports and values the IM burn pit; upon inspection he recommended we push the pile up to fill in pockets and holes for a better burn in the future; he explained the difficulty of scheduling a burn with wind, moisture, and staffing; Susan contacted Dave Wilson who indicated it would cost about \$1K to push the pile up; the effort for a county-wide burn permit has been abandoned and each Fire District will continue to manage burn permits.

The Board discussed at length the burn pit situation, including an option to incinerate. It is a difficult situation for the Community and the Fire District.

Motion: The Board approves the expenditure of up to \$500 to push-up the burn pit, contingent on a \$500 match from IMPOA. The burn pit will remain closed unless conditions change this year.

Vote was 4 to approve; 1 to opposed (Bret had some concerns and could not support).

- Comfort Station Road---Tom discussed the poor condition of the road near the Lodge and Comfort Station; suggested a need to grade and maybe add road-base; Sam will solicit some bids for such work.

New Business

- Report from Carl Neu---Carl reminded people that from the June IMMD meeting, during which BSWC Ingalls spoke and answered questions, a small group of people had come together to seek a legal opinion on the BSWC invoice received recently for alleged water services back to January 2012; Carl and several others followed-up and met with PC attorney Lee Phillips in Fairplay.

Carl shared and summarized a legal opinion from Mr. Phillips and had copies available. He indicated his willingness to share the legal opinion he received but made it very clear that he nor Mr. Phillips were providing legal advice to IM well owners--- he was simply sharing information that he had received.

Roger Mattson offered that he would be willing to email this letter to IM well owners and have it posted on the IMPOA and IMMD websites. The Board agreed that sharing this information would be a valuable public service, while also making it clear that IMMD is not providing legal advice and well owners should seek their own legal consultation.

- IM WSP Update---Glenn reported that 142 IM well owners had enrolled in the IM WSP to date; over 110 WSP applications have been entered into a WSP profile data base; the second draft of IGA with HASP should be submitted Monday and will be shared with Board; the first draft of the IGA with County to secure the \$210K Land and Water Trust loan should be submitted on Monday to the County Attorney as well and will be shared with Board; Susan reported on two telephone conversations she had with water court officials in Greeley which were helpful on our behalf; there was a discussion whereby Roger Mattson and Susan explained how we will transfer WSP enrollees from the BSWC water augmentation plan to the IM WSP (HASP) water augmentation plan; Glenn reported that a new Water Meter FAQ will be posted shortly on the IMMD website to help well owners.

Susan offered that while the creation of the IM ad-hoc Water Committee was initially for the purpose to negotiate with IMC the transfer of the IM water augmentation plan to IMMD and later to take lead on the litigation brought forth by IMC/BSWC, today it is re-focused on implementing the IM WSP. The Board agreed and that the Committee would no longer continue after the IM WSP is fully implemented in 2018.

Bret reported on his success to have an official inspect and certify a number of water meters; this was our first effort at certification; it went well and other visits will be arranged.

Pete Ambrose spoke of his willingness to answer questions about water meters and their installation; Pete appealed to IM well owners, given the large demand, to not call him or rely on Next Door to communicate with him but rather go to his website and file out the form for consultation to get the process started.

- Public Input: Numerous questions were responded to from the audience during the meeting.
- Meeting adjourned at 10:35am.
- Next meeting: August 12, 2017.
- Minutes recorded by Glenn Haas, IMMD Secretary, and approved by the Board on August 12, 2017.