

MINUTES OF THE JULY 24, 2019 REGULAR MEETING

Directors Present: Barb Bernard, Matt Cordova, Donna Phillips, Bud O'Hara, Ron Serna,
Paul Willumstad

Also Present: Attorney Don Banner
Administrator Rick Kidd

Guests: Kim Kock, NorthStar Engineering

The regular meeting of the Pueblo Conservancy District was called to order by Vice President Bernard at 10:00 am. A quorum was present.

Minutes:

The minutes of the June 26, 2019 regular meeting were reviewed. O'Hara moved to approve the minutes and Cordova seconded. . The motion passed.

Public Forum:

None

Treasurer's Report:

Accountant's Compilation Report – Willumstad he had reviewed and did not notice anything of concern. Willumstad moved receive and file the accountant's report for June and O'Hara seconded. The motion passed.

Bills – Kidd said that Don Banner did not charge the District their normal monthly fee because neither he nor Joe Bower were able to attend the last meeting. Kidd noted that his levee invoice included \$2734.08 to pay for Xcel to terminate the gas lines at the 16th Street property. He explained that they preferred "check by phone" and that he had used his business account because he has no authorization to use the District's account. Other than that the bills were routine. Willumstad moved to approve payment of the bills and Serna seconded. Motion passed.

The following bills were posted for review and approval:

BSJ Operations and Maintenance Account:

\$ 475.00	MGPM, Monthly Accountant fees
\$ 200.00	MGPM, Audit planning and preparation meeting
\$ 1,478.25	B&B, 2 nd Quarter legal – bylaws, mural guidelines, land sales, statutory changes, scan minutes
\$ 1,700.00	Kidd Engineering, Administrator/Engineer fees

\$ 387.50	Kidd Engineering, Levee tour for Mayor Gradisar
\$ 310.00	Kidd Engineering, Pre-Audit meeting and documents to DeNardo
\$ 465.00	Kidd Engineering, GOCO Staff Tour with City Staff
\$ 200.00	Bernard, Director's Fee
\$ 200.00	Cordova, Director's Fee
\$ 200.00	Koehler, Director's Fee
\$ 200.00	Maroney, Director's Fee
\$ 87.00	Maroney, Fountain Creek committees mileage
\$ 200.00	Martin, Director's Fees
\$ 200.00	O'Hara, Director's Fee
\$ 200.00	Phillips, Director's Fee
\$ 200.00	Serna, Director's Fee
\$ 200.00	Willumstad, Director's Fee

BSJ Construction Draw Account:

\$ 232.50	Kidd Engineering, Phase 6 meeting with Swerdfeger and NorthStar
\$ 2,734.08	Kidd Engineering, Xcel charges for abandonment of gas line serving 1912, 1914 and 1914.5 W 16 th Street properties
\$ 232.50	Kidd Engineering, Coordination of 16 th gas with Xcel and Dirt N Demo
\$ 607.50	NorthStar Engineering, Phase 6 design, price quotation documents and reimbursable expenses June 22 through July 19, 2019
\$ 2,775.00	NorthStar Engineering, Maintenance Fund Assessment Support, Consultations, etc. and reimbursable expenses
\$ 3,610.00	NorthStar Engineering, Maintenance and Artist Location indexing, mapping, and stamping
\$ 1,950.00	NorthStar Engineering, Fountain Creek Floodway Zone MFA Analysis
\$ 3,050.00	B&B, 2 nd Quarter Legal – CWCB loan, Phase 5 retention and final payment, expanded MFA area

BSJ Reserve Account:

\$ 6,902.75	Pueblo Conservancy District – Transfer to Operating Account
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BSJ Bond Loan Account:

\$ 15,191.58	Pueblo Conservancy District – Transfer to Draw Account
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President's Report –

Bernard reported that the District hosted the GOCO tour for their staff representatives and the City planning staff. She said that the proposed grant project seemed well received. She had a discussion with Lynn Clark concerning the Pueblo Conservancy District being recognized in some fashion along the River Walk. Her notes from this meeting were transmitted to the Board.

Administrator's Report –

Kidd said that, as reported last month, the asbestos abatement contractor for the 16th Street properties found that the walls in the 1912 house had been furred out and that there was plaster behind, and they said that more testing was necessary. The testing was done and it was found that the plaster has asbestos in it. The abatement contractor was to have a revised cost proposal submitted prior to this meeting. The proposal had not yet been sent to Dirt N Demo, so Kidd asked what he should do for approval once costing had been received. Willumstad suggested polling the Board for approval, and then formal action at the next Board meeting. Kidd reported that he had received a citizen call about weeds in the Grove neighborhood. He had called Chem-Way to spray them but they did not. Now they are grown big and need to be cut. Spaccamonti Excavating, the normal services contractor, is not available. Kidd is to contact other contractors to see about getting the weeds cut.

Recreation Committee –

Kock reported that he attended the tour hosted for the GOCO staff who are reviewing the Connectivity Grant. We were originally told that three to five may be attending but only two came. There was also a representative from the Colorado Department of Parks and Wildlife, who's focus is trails. He is new on the job. The proposed project was very well received by GOCO. They made some recommendations to improve the mapping and application for the final grant submittal. SRDA provided a bus and driver for the tour. This worked out very well.

Fountain Creek Committees-

Maroney was not present and O'Hara said that he did not attend any of the meetings. He said that he knows Maroney has a concern about long term maintenance and is talking to Larry Small, Fountain Creek District Executive Director, about this.

'21 In '21 Celebration-

Bernard reported that she had met with Lynn Clark and she gave out some very good direction and criteria for any memorial to be done along the HARP channel. Clark suggested putting out a call to artists and Bernard said she likes that idea. Ceramic materials are preferred over metal. Clark suggested a site near Upper Lake Elizabeth. Bernard thinks that a 10'x10' or 10'x12' area would be big enough. Banner recommended a call for artists for both the Levee and the PCD memorial. Bernard said that she would contact Cynthia Ramu, the Arts Center, etc. for contacts. Banner suggested that there be a mural panel that could be formally revealed at the Celebration. O'Hara said that he would contact Bill Zwick, City Planning, about signing. Bernard will continue to explore foundations that may contribute. She said that the next meeting will be on September 18th at 1:30 pm. Banner suggested posting of large scale photos in public buildings during the celebration period.

Levee Construction-

Kock said that it had been a quick month. NorthStar is finalizing plans to coordinate the District's Levee work with City work hoped to be done with the GOCO Connectivity Grant.

He said that it is believed it would be best if the City' trails, etc. work could be performed by the District's levee contractor. This would eliminate conflict and should result in lower pricing since the contractor would already be on site. This will take coordination with the City Purchasing Department for transfer of funds. It has already been agreed by City staff for the City to purchase the pedestrian bridge and it be installed by the District. This would be done by a change order in the District's contract with KR Swerdfeger and then the City would reimburse the District for the amount of that change order. It is anticipated, that if the grant is approved, the City Council would accept the grant at an October Council meeting. Kock said that he has not yet received a response back from the Union Pacific about them paying for safety/security fencing between the Levee and the Railroad. The permit with the Army Corps of Engineers for our work in the River is in place. However, the Colorado SHPPO approval expires November of this year. He will work with SHPPO to get a 5-year extension. This longer than needed for the District's work but would allow time for some of the future work that is planned in and out of the channel. Willumstad passed around pictures he had of improvements along the Rhine River.

Old Business:

Mural Guidelines – O'Hara said that he would be meeting with Cynthia Ramu next week.

Statutory Changes – Willumstad offered some changes to Banner. Banner said that he had not heard anything more from the State Capitol.

Fountain Zone –

Kock said that this is a challenging endeavor. The problem has been to acquire and compile mapping which shows the flood plain if the City's levees were not in place. They are working to get the best mapping that they can.

New Business:

Bernard said that she believed the District should send representatives to the Colorado Special Districts Association annual meeting. She suggested authorizing Kidd and a Board member to attend the meeting September 18-20. Phillips moved to authorize Kidd and a Board member to attend with the District paying the costs for attendance. O'Hara seconded and the motion passed.

Kidd is to report Board member term expiration dates at the next meeting.

Other Business:

Chris Wiseman has been invited to come to the August Board meeting to discuss the County's purchase of property at the Lake Runyon area. It was suggested that Laura Solano, the Mayor's Chief of Staff, or Alan Hamel come to represent the City on this as well. Willumstad said he would take care of the invitations. Bernard told her that Dennis Flores would like for the District to attend a City Council Work Session. She is to explore timing for this.

There being no other business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 11:25 pm. The next regular meeting will be on August 28, 2019, at 10:00 am.

APPROVED:

Corinne Koehler, President

Jerry Martin, Secretary