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SOUTH DURANGO SANITATION DISTRICT**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the South Durango Sanitation District was held on September 19, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at the 175 Mercado Street, Suite 240, Durango, Colorado.

Present at the meeting were the following members of the Board of Directors:

Curt Piccoli
Pat Morrissey
Judy Campbell
Tom Price
Bud Gohn

Also present were Nic Ionita, Doug Davis, Dave Marsa, Rick Johnson and Bud Smith.

The Board reviewed and approved payment of the District invoices.

The Board reviewed the July 2019 financial statements of the District. Attorney Smith reported that the District had purchased a \$155,000 2 year CD with 1.75 interest and a \$245,000 CD with 1.85% interest. Rates at Colotrust have dropped almost ½ percent in the last 6 months and are expected to continue to decline. A review of operating expenses year to date shows no significant categories where expenditures are substantially greater than budgeted amounts.

The Board reviewed the minutes of August 22, 2019. On motion duly made and seconded the minutes were approved.

Dave presented the monthly report. Annual line cleaning has been completed. The cost is expected to be about \$4,000 over the budgeted amount. No significant concerns or problems were discovered in the lines that were cleaned. Dave reported that a spare gear box at a cost of approximately \$4,600 had been acquired. He requested permission to purchase a bucket for the telehandler at a cost of \$3,500. There is still \$5,000 remaining in the 2019 capital budget for equipment purchases. The Board approved the purchase. There will be no additional sludge processing until the spring of 2020. All sludge processing equipment has been properly winterized.

Rick reported the results of an inspection of 8 manholes identified for infiltration repairs. The repairs are expected to be completed in 45-60 days at an estimated cost of \$50,000.

Rick reported that work on fabrication of the fine screen cover has begun and is expected to be completed in 30-45 days.

Rick reported that budget estimates for replacements and improvements at the treatment plant are being developed.

Rick reviewed the status of various projects. Rick expressed his concerns about the potential

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discharge from the proposed funeral home. He will recommend installation of a monitoring manhole and other protective measures to avoid any harmful discharges.

Attorney Smith presented an update on the Abrams property. The heirs have agreed to pay \$15,000 from the closing for the second tap and user fees.

Attorney Smith reported that an RFP for development of a report on sewer service for the La Posta Road area had been sent to the District for review. Staff will review and provide comments to La Plata County.

The Board discussed the employment of Stephan Kimball. Nic and Doug reported that Kimball had been a good employee. They both recommended he be retained as a full-time employee. On motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the hiring of Kimball as a full time employee with benefits effective October 1, 2019.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.