

**Durango Hills Road Improvement District Advisory Committee**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**April 25, 2019**  
**Corrected**  
**APPROVED**

Time: 6:00 PM  
Place: 1101 E. 2nd Avenue  
Durango, CO

Committee members present:  
Richard Woodbury  
Howard Rachlin  
Russ Kimble  
Dan Featheringill  
Alan Shupe  
Jim Rockelmann  
Mark Pearson

**Call to order by Richard Woodbury, Chairman at 6:00 pm**

1. Approve minutes

Minutes from the September 26, 2018 meeting were read by the chairman and no additions or corrections were needed. Those minutes stood approved as read. Moved, seconded and approved.

2. Winter maintenance discussion

We did not come close to using all of our hours in the contract, about 138 hours. Called snowplow in some cases to do “an easy push back” to make more room before the next storm because had plenty of hours. We also had to spend about \$6,000 for dozer push back. Some issues with cars parked on side of road that interfered with snowplow operations. Winter contract is \$20,700 that includes up to 184 hours, plus the \$6,000 spent on pushback leaves us about \$3,000 below the overall \$30,000 winter maintenance budget.

3. Summer maintenance items, discussion and approval

Waldo provided an estimate of \$56,685 for summer maintenance generally as indicated on the map created from the drive around with Richard, Alan and Mark. Discussion about applying higher mag rate on steeper slopes than on flat slopes. Estimate is for 1000 tons  $\frac{3}{4}$  roadbase (40 loads). 2019 approved budget for summer grading and maintenance is \$63,100. That would leave only about \$6,000 leftover for fall maintenance. Alan moved, Jim seconded to request approval from BOCC for additional \$12,000 out of contingency fund owing to heavy winter and need for additional work. Passed unanimously.

Alan moved to accept Waldo’s estimate assuming it includes 3-inch rock for drainage across from Lamp Post Circle. Seconded by Mark. Passed unanimously. Expect work to begin at end of

May.

#### 4. DHRID website

Richard has been maintaining it himself. County is revamping its entire website later this summer and they will host the DHRID site on the county website once that transition is complete. Richard requested feedback on any changes or additions.

#### 5. Old business

Question about T-posts and whether Waldo would do installation. Jim offered to donate a half-dozen. Richard will follow up with Waldo.

Also discussion about contacting residents to remind about need for cleaning culverts. We could drive around and get addresses of residences with clogged culverts, we can ask county road staff about what authority exists to demand action by those residents.

#### 6. New Business

Alan broached topic of cars parked inappropriately in winter. Perhaps we could place a couple of signs reminding people that no parking allowed on the road. Russ will look into improving existing big sign at bottom, freshen it up, make it look new.

Howard mentioned putting up parabolic mirrors at blind corners.

Mark brought up suggestion to change meeting time to start at 5 pm in the future and all agreed that was fine.

#### 7. Public questions/comments

Comment about big potholes on Nusbaum, and a question if we can do something before maintenance occurs in late May. Response was that expense associated with transporting equipment for just a small job was prohibitive and more efficient to just wait the month until scheduled maintenance occurs. Another question about how contingency fund works.

Some discussion also about "de-brucing" which requires a vote by taxpayers to allow for excess revenues to be retained by district.

#### 8. Election of officers

Mark Pearson was elected chair, Richard Woodbury elected vice-chair, Russ Kimble elected secretary, all by unanimous consent.

#### 9. Adjourned at 7:15 pm.