

DONALA WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 16, 2022

The Board of Directors of the Donala Water and Sanitation District met in regular session at the District's office, 15850 Holbein Dr., El Paso County, Colorado on June 16, 2022 at 1:30pm.

Directors Present: Ed Houle
Wayne Vanderschuere
Kevin Deardorff – Excused absence
Bill George
Ed Miller

Staff Present: Jeff Hodge
Christina Hawker
Tanja Smith
Carla Edwards
Mike Boyett
Ashley Uhrin

Consultants Present: Roger Sams (GMS)
Brett Gracely (LRE)

Guests: Jackie Burhans (OCN)
James Howald (OCN)

President Houle called the meeting to order at 1:30pm.

Approval of Agenda:

- Approved - Executive Sessions cancelled

Public Comment Non-Agenda Items:

- Burhans stated people are concerned about having enough water to support development. She asked if we have enough water to meet demand, board said yes.

Review of Minutes:

- Minutes from May 2022 Board Meeting accepted
 - George motioned to approve, Miller second, all aye.

Review of Financial Statements and Check Summaries:

- Donala revenue at 57.31%. Expenses at 72.53%.
- Waste Plant revenue at 66.47%. Expenses at 59.50%.
- BOK Investments ROI: 0.05%
 - Vanderschuere motion to accept, George second, all aye.

Resolution 2022-2:

- A resolution calling for non-participation in the NMCI Project
 - George motioned to approve, Miller second, all aye.

Hancock Inclusion

- Vandeschuere motioned to accept, George second, all aye.

Manager's Report:

Holbein Upgrades: Staff is working to bring the plant fully back online. There have been the normal loose wires, SCADA programming and the slowest part is backwashing the filters. The water demand is being met with all of our other available sources. We are going to take our time and shoot for a July official back online time. This will also help us with the radium reporting as it will fall in the 3rd quarter.

Well 16A - Permitting and Drilling New Well: The well has been drilled. The well is now starting the test phase to find out at what flow rate the well will be able to deliver. This should all be complete by June 24, 2022. The sound wall is coming down the week of June 13th-17th. GMS is working with the electric company to bring in the new service line. The raw water line still needs to go out to bid and be installed. We are still anticipating an early fall online date. Grant application submitted on behalf of Donala by GMS for \$1 million for well drilling.

Well 2A and 2D: Wells 2A and 2D are coming along. 2A running at 350 gpm. Grant application submitted on behalf of Donala by GMS for \$900,000 for assistance with radium levels

County Loop: ARPA funding will not be awarded until after July 29th per El Paso County. We are asking our respective water engineers to provide each of us with the likely firm yield of our existing water right through the system. Once we have those number we will meet as a group to review the costs and formations steps together.

NMCI:

- The next NMCI meeting will be held June 27th. CSU wants a final answer and comment to the project and design by August 1, 2022.

Wastewater Report:

- Looking at potential cost of \$68,089.66. Some costs may be reduced and planned for 2023 capital budget, such as only upgrading one digester, scheduling vehicle service for next year, security etc. UMCRRWTF operations will be able to give a better idea of actual cost and required funds will be within the coming weeks.
- New hire Jarred Durham and summer-hire Ethan Moreau noticed abnormal leaking on SBR blower #1 and replaced broken oil drain line that broke inside the blower casing. If this had gone unnoticed and eventually broke, oil would have quickly drained from the blower casing and ruined the blower. Both employees quickly repaired blower in between aeration cycles and saved Donala tens of thousands in costly repairs and precious downtime and damage to process. Thank you!
- Jarred Durham, Ethan Moreau, Thom Waite have been working on repairing and replacing the sleeves and wiper system on the Ultra-Violet system. There are now only two UV banks left to finish repairs on.
- UVT/UVAS probe which assists on control and operation of the UV dosage and power settings has been sent out to Ames, IA (06/09/2023) to the Hach facility for its annual bench testing seal replacement. This is part of an annual contract and expect it back within the coming weeks.
- With most repairs completed on the UV system, we have been able to test the automatic functionality over the last week or so. Amy Azevedo has verified that the e.Coli has been well within compliance limits of 8.5 cfu (colony forming units), same as May's count, but in automatic operation. As of 06/08/2022, the UVT/UVAS probe was removed from service and system placed back in manual operations to ensure adequate disinfection.

Once UVT/UVAS probe is returned from testing and overhaul along with continued repairs on the mechanical side of the UV system, we will put UV disinfection back in automatic control.

- Mike Boyett and Aaron Tolman are working on 2023 budget.
- Thomas Waite is still out from shoulder surgery, but has been helpful working from home when it is necessary.

Public Comment:

- Sams stated electrical conduit is almost complete for 16A
- Gracely spoke about clean up happening at 16A site, pump rig is coming in later this week
- Permit for 16A complete
- We are expected to have performance levels for 16A next week, 600gpm expected
- Meeting with Tri-View on 6/27/22 about Aquaphor Storage Recharge (ASR)
- Colorado waste plant grant for new systems operations and yield model
 - Gracely posed the questions if Donala would be open funding or co-funding this new system and if so, are we open to a collaboration? Board said yes to both questions.
- Laughlin water right research
 - Preliminary expectation = 324 af/yr
 - However, research shows a period of non-use which could affect HCU and yield (possible 10% reduction)

Meeting adjourned at 2:25pm.

These minutes are respectfully submitted for record by Ashley Uhrin on June 21, 2022.