

Minutes for Timberland Acres Special Road District #1

January 26, 2019 at TA Community Center on Juniper Ridge Road

Trustees in attendance: Russell "Rusty" Britt, Chair
Charles "Charlie" Denham, Treasurer
Rick Bowers, Culvert/Driveway Consultant
Richard Wright, Clerk/Secretary

Call to Order, Confirmation of a Quorum:

Rusty called the meeting to order at 10:10 am, and confirmed the presence of a quorum. There four Board Members present, one Board position is vacant.

Minutes & Approval from October 27, 2018 meeting:

The Minutes had been handed out to the audience and the Board Members. Charlie read the Minutes aloud. Rick moved to approve the Minutes from July 28, 2018, second by Charlie, unanimous aye vote.

Treasurer's Report & Approval:

Charlie had handed out copies to the Board and the audience present. He went over the data in the documents: the Second Quarter Financial Report, October, November & December 2018 which included the record of contractor invoices and invoices for road materials, the FY 2018/19 ledger of all checks written and Navajo County Treasurer's Monthly classification Summary which has been reconciled with the Board's records. The balance in our account with the County on January 17, 2019 was \$232,463.33. The bills for the recent snow removal are not in this report and they will come in the next report. Charlie asked if anyone had any questions. An audience member said that they noticed that there wasn't a page that breaks out the materials purchased and the hours billed by the contractor. Charlie said that he didn't print that out in the report this time and he will make sure to include it next time. Rusty said that helps because we can see materials versus labor that way. An audience member and members of the Board agreed that Charlie did an excellent job. Richard moved to approve the Second Quarter Financial Report as written, second by Rusty, unanimous aye vote.

Culvert Report:

Rick said that he had a new phone number and gave it to us. There was a discussion about the water puddle on the road at 968 Navajo Trail, which might be related to the culvert location. Two residents who live near that location shared their ideas and information. The Board had a discussion about the issue. Rusty said he and Mr. Crandell our contractor would look at it after the meeting. Another resident talked about the bar ditches and culverts on Bull Elk where the Water District is working. The culverts are blocked temporarily and will be returned to the way they used to be soon. There as a discussion about the excess dirt and several people expressed interest in having it if available. Rusty said that the program and list that Rick put together is what Mr. Crandell is working from.

Road Maintenance:

Rusty talked about the Contract with Cameron Crandell, it signed in 2014, was for 2 years, with the option of 4 one year renewals. This is the last year that we can renew, next year it must be put out for bid. Rusty reported that Mr. Crandell has never requested any increase in rates as the contract allows. The Board initiated a onetime 5% increase a couple of years ago, but Mr. Crandell himself has not asked for increase in his rates. Rusty moved to approve the 1 year renewal, second by Richard, unanimous aye vote.

There was a discussion about the snow storm over New Years. There as a discussion about the bulletin board damaged at Juniper Ridge and Bull Elk, according to an audience member the sign was hit by a resident who has said they would fix it; it was not damaged by snow plows.

An audience member said that Deer Run at White Mountain has ice sometimes. The Board discussed this and that the plan is to spread cinders, gravel or salt at that location when there is ice. The Board always tries to respond as quickly as possible to any road condition. The problem is that it is always shaded right there. Cameron spoke about a new piece of spreading equipment that he has now.

An audience member spoke about the fact that our roads in Timberland Acres are plowed before the County Roads get plowed, and what is the use of plowing if you can't get out of our neighborhood. There was a discussion about this. Rusty said that we will plow our roads when they need it and we can't control what the County does. There as a discussion about other issues including hills, people getting stuck in the snow, and 2-wheel versus 4-wheel drive. An audience member thanked the Board for plowing our roads as quickly as we do.

Charlie mentioned that there is a gravel pile on Pinon Pine and asked if it could be leveled out, Mr. Crandell said he would do that. There was a discussion about other places where water ponds, one on Wildcat South. There was a discussion about Road maintenance on roads where no one lives.

Rusty announced that a resident who lives on Timberland Road, but not in Timberland Acres - before you get into our neighborhood – is asking that people stop speeding on Timberland Road. There was a discussion about this.

Call to the Public:

An audience member asked about the progress on getting the County to partner with us on chip seal. There was a discussion about this. The contacts at the County are Supervisor Williams and Mr. Gephart. Rusty reported that the County has repeatedly postponed any work, that there are budget and other issues. Rusty said that he and Charlie met with them in October or November, and the County has agreed to look at it again in May of this year. Rusty said it is a test of patience, but it is something we would really benefit from, and that he will keep trying.

Rusty mentioned that Cameron stores his equipment here and that saves us a lot of money because any contract includes pricing for transporting equipment. Rusty discussed where the equipment is being stored currently and possible options for the future if we are not able to use continue using that place.

Announcement of Board Member Vacancy and Possible Appointment:

Rusty announced the Vacancy, asked for a volunteer, and went over the responsibilities according to the Policies and Procedures. He said he would like to train someone to do it. There was a discussion about this, including how to inform more people about the vacancy. There was no volunteer.

Adjourn:

Rusty moved to adjourn the meeting at around 11:00 am, second by Charlie, unanimous aye vote.