

## **Minutes for Timberland Acres Special Road District #1**

July 28, 2018 at TA Community Center on Juniper Ridge Road

Trustees in attendance: Russell “Rusty” Britt, Chair  
Charles “Charlie” Denham, Vice-Chair  
Kristine Sleighter, Treasurer  
Richard Wright, Clerk/Secretary  
Rick Bowers, Culvert/Driveway Consultant

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### **Call to Order, Confirmation of a Quorum:**

Rusty called the meeting to order at around 10:00 am, and confirmed the presence of a quorum.

### **Minutes & Approval from April 28, 2018 meeting:**

The Minutes had been handed out to the audience and the Board Members. After allowing some time for those present to be able to read them, Charlie moved “To approve the Minutes from April 28, 2018 as written”, second by Kristine, unanimous aye vote.

### **Treasurer’s Report & Approval:**

Kristine had handed out copies to the Board and the audience present. She talked about the documents: the Fourth Quarter Financial Report, April, May & June 2018; the record of contractor invoices and invoices for road materials; the 2018 Year End Summary for FY July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018; the FY 2017/18 ledger of all checks written; and Navajo County Treasurer’s Monthly classification Summary which has been reconciled with the Board’s records. The Fourth Quarter ending balance on 06/30/18 was \$215,431.86. Kristine asked if anyone had any questions, no one had any. Kristine said that if anybody wanted more information she would be happy to talk to them after the meeting also. Charlie moved “To approve the First Quarter Financial Report and the 2018 Year End Summary Fiscal Year July 01, 2017 to June 30, 2018 as written”, second by Rick, unanimous aye vote.

### **Culvert Report:**

Rick had prepared a report of his inspection of all of the Culverts in the District. He presented this to Rusty and explained that he made a detailed list of each Culvert, the location and the condition of each, rated as good, any problem, or any blocked. He said that there was standing water at only one location. An audience member said he wanted to put in a culvert and we discussed the requirements, including size 18 inch or greater; check with Blue Stake before digging; avoid, or be very careful about, altering the natural water flows; and coordinate with the Board by contacting Rick. The Board reminded the audience that there is detailed information on the TA website. Rick said to the audience member: give me your address and I’ll come out and meet with you. Rusty thanked Rick for the report, and said that we have hundreds of culverts that we are maintaining.

### **Road Maintenance:**

Rusty reported that maintenance and repairs are on-going. He reminded the audience that the Road Board is responsible for maintaining the roads and that his primary concern is to keep the roads accessible for public safety and EMS emergency services. Rusty explained that the Road Board also works together with Navajo County to improve the roads, when possible, with chip seal surfaces. He explained that Supervisor Williams is the County Supervisor for our area and that Supervisor Williams has promised to use \$50,000 in County special funds to match our funding of \$50,000 to do additional chip seal at some point in the future. It would cost about \$50,000 for the County to install 1 mile, so we can get 2 miles of chip seal in this partnership. He said it was much cheaper than it would cost in other locations like the Phoenix area. He talked about maintenance, that we are putting gravel on the dirt roads, maintaining the ditches and there was a fallen tree that he had to clear off the road. An audience member

said that Navajo Trail south of Juniper Ridge was so bad that he couldn't get a trailer up the hill with a 4X4, and also that he had to meet friends who visited on motorcycles in town because of the gravel on the road. The Board mentioned that that we have done a lot of work at that location and that due to the slope it is difficult to maintain, but efforts continue, and that the other way to access was from Bull Elk. There was a discussion about how to improve that situation, the audience member asked for it to be chip sealed, but the Board explained that that is not scheduled to be chip sealed, then there was a discussion about putting millings there and that millings have limited availability so, when or if they become available. There was a discussion of people speeding and tearing up the road. An audience member said that Bull Elk Run is better this year because of the work that has been done and she thanked the Board. There was a discussion about speed limit signs on Juniper Ridge and on Bear Track, Rusty explained that the speed limit is 25 miles per hour everywhere in Timberland Acres. There was a discussion about what to do about speeders. The Board reminded everyone that Navajo County Sheriff is the agency that is responsible for patrol and traffic enforcement in Timberland Acres, people were advised to call the County Sheriff. There was a discussion about stop signs. There was a discussion about the entrances to the forest, where people go through our neighborhood to get to the forest. The Board explained that our roads are public right-of-way and that we cannot block them. The audience was reminded that residents should call the Sheriff if they see any illegal activity. An audience member asked if we could put up a sign at the entrance that said "limited access" or "no outlet". There was a discussion about the emergency exits, the one off Wild Cat which is passable by all vehicles, one off White Mountain, and one off Juniper Ridge. The Board explained that the wording for any sign is problematic because the roads are public and there are outlets. The Board said they would get maps that show the emergency exits for the next meeting. An audience member explained that the cul-de-sac Little Beaver could be improved and asked that the Board keep that in mind, there was a discussion about the maintenance done on Little Beaver.

**Call to the Public:**

Rusty asked if there was anyone from the Public who wanted to say something more. The public had already been giving input. An audience member stood and said, "I just want to say I have nothing to complain about" and there was applause. An audience member reported that she has difficulty pulling out of her driveway on Deer Run because of the people speeding around the curves. There was a discussion about how speed bumps don't work for us due to getting in the way of the snow plowing. The Board reminded the audience members to call the Navajo County Sheriff to enforce the traffic laws. The Board said that they would continue to work with Navajo County about enforcement. An audience member said we needed an electric sign with radar that shows people their speed, the Board said we have no plan to do that.

**Adjourn:**

Rusty moved to adjourn the meeting at around 10:40 am, second by Kristine, unanimous.