

MD Board Meeting Summary

The Metropolitan District Board met on Tuesday, Jan. 26 for its regular board meeting. The following is a summary of that meeting:

- a) District Manager Wieland updated the Board regarding the automatic tennis doors that will be in place by the end of the week. Staff continues to work with the District's legal team to develop the maintenance agreement for the landscape strip north of Sunset Ridge. Staff has met with the contractor for final completion items of the Ranch House Pool. District Manager Wieland and Attorney Powell requested the development of Board of Director Bylaws. Recreation Director Lear announced the receipt of a State of Colorado Childcare Relief Grant for those licensed providers that offered care during COVID public health restrictions. Parks Director Malloy provided information regarding the recruitment of seven positions within the parks department. District Manager Wieland provided updates regarding progress of capital projects. Staff provided an update regarding a request for landscaping along the south side of Ken-Caryl Avenue between Simms and S. Continental Divide Road.
- b) District Manager Wieland presented the proposed calendar for the regular Board of Directors meeting schedule for 2021. Regular Board meetings for the calendar year 2021 shall be held on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. except for November and December. A Resolution was approved for the 2021 calendar.
- c) District Manager Wieland presented the slate of recommended committee members for the Community Planning Committee. Fourteen applications were received and reviewed by staff and Board liaisons. Five existing members were recommended for reappointment, and eight new members were recommended for appointment. A motion was made and approved for the slate of committee members as presented.
- d) District Manager Wieland updated the Board regarding the independent research that resident John Fosholt has conducted regarding mineral rights on the South Hogback Open Space. The Board directed legal counsel to review the issue since the nature and substance of the mineral rights ownership and lease rights had not been verified yet. Director Levy provided the Board an update regarding the conservation options for the South Hogback Open Space.
- e) District Manager Wieland provided information to the Board regarding a potential strategic planning process. District Manager Wieland requested feedback from the Board regarding the overall process, their desire for outside consultant assistance, and how the process would be conducted within the framework of existing regular Board meetings. General feedback from the Board was to conduct the process internally and possibly utilize a combination of regular meetings and special meetings to complete the process.
- f) Several residents provided public comment. Comments included questions about requirements for residency for special district elections, recommendation for continued District Board member participation in the Open Space Committee meetings, question regarding the opening of Bradford Pool for the 2021 summer season, and a question regarding adverse possession on the strip of landscaping now under ownership of North American Development Group. An email was read requesting additional pickleball court accommodations.