

Leadville Sanitation Board Meeting Minutes for January 11, 2024

The Leadville Sanitation District (LSD) held its monthly board meeting at the district's office located at 911 S. Highway 24, Leadville at 5:00 pm on 1/11/2023. Board members present: Chair Ken Berger, Directors Bob Vigil, Sterling Mudge, Mike Smith and Jane Gowing. Staff present: Angelina Salazar, Office Manager; Joe Passalacqua, B Plant Operator; Robert Pacheco, A Plant Operator and Janet Hausman, JVA (via Zoom).

- A. Chair Berger called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. At 5:01 pm Chair Berger motioned to move the board into Executive Session, seconded by Director Vigil, all were in favor to conduct an Executive Session pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(b), C.R.S. for the purpose of a conference with the district's legal counsel regarding specific legal questions pertaining to Werderitch Construction LLC. At 5:30 pm the Chair moved the board out of Executive Session, seconded by Director Smith, all were in favor. Chair made a motion to form a 2-person litigation committee consisting of Chair Berger and Director Mudge, motion seconded by Director Smith, all voted in favor.
- B. Resolution No. 1, Series 2024 – Designating the Date (2nd Thursday of the month), Time (3:15 pm) and Location (911 S. Highway 24 Leadville) of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors. Director Mudge motioned to approve, seconded by Director Smith, all voted in favor.
- C. Public comment was next on the agenda. Josh Miller was the sole guest at the meeting but had no comments to present to the board.
- D. CMC Ben Cairns – Mr. Cairns made a presentation to the board about an opportunity for expansion of the CMC Dutch Henry Hill and its programs and activities for students and the public, especially young children learning to ski. The state encouraged CMC to apply for an Opportunity Grant for ski area operations (lift, ski shop and snow making). In addition, CMC would reconstruct the culvert at the base of the tubing hill and add more public parking. The district owns the property at the base of the tubing hill and the board's main concern at this time is the new RV Dump Station and how the two projects will co-exist. Mr. Cairns said that the culvert piece of the project wouldn't start until the fall of 2025 which gives ample time to coordinate the projects. CMC and Lake County would like to partner with the district on this project. The 6.8-million-dollar grant funding award will occur at the end of January. Mr. Cairns will keep the district apprised of the award results and next steps.
- E. Eagle Lodge/EQR's – Rohn Bertolas came to the board meeting to discuss the 2024 rate increases. The Eagle Lodge is mainly open in the summer with only a few events during the winter months. Given the lack of events and usage, Mr. Bertolas asked if the lodge could qualify for a reduction of the bimonthly service fees. The board explained that establishments pay for year-round usage, even if they are not open all year. However, Mr. Bertolas stated that the lodge's kitchen had been decommissioned and was not a usable kitchen for events. Based on the information provided, district staff will conduct an inspection at the lodge to see what, if any fee changes are possible within the next month and notify the board and lodge members of their findings.

- F. CJK Milling/Nick Michael – Mr. Michael sent a letter to Attorney Fattor with an update. CJK will resubmit their permit application to the state later this month (January 2024). CJK has “optimized” their site plans to prevent **any** run-off from the mill site property. Mr. Michael and the board again discussed teeing off the district’s water line to supply CJK with the necessary process water. However, there is a discrepancy between parties over the size of the water line. The district believes that the line is a 2” line and CJK believes that the line is a 4’ line. If the line is only a 2”, there will not be enough water for mill processing. CJK has offered the district additional benefits such as a 15% surcharge payment to the district for the privilege to use the water and will cover any maintenance costs associated with the water line. Finally, CJK is proposing to install a 30,000-gallon surge tank to keep district operations going in case of a water shut down. The water line size must be verified before further discussions occur.
- G. Tennessee Pass Café/Bobbi Conner – Tabled as Ms. Conner was not present to provide an update.
- H. LSD & WQCP, LLC Operator Responsible Charge (ORC) Contract – The contract was tabled for the 1/25/2024 Board Meeting so board members to have time to review the contract and correct any typos.
- I. JVA
- a. WWTP Improvements- CMAR work sessions with drawings and possible solutions are coordinating well. Trouble shooting elevations for the piping is underway.
 - b. Septage Receiving Station-Working on procuring the district’s property deed to provide to CDOT. Survey copy has been provided.
 - c. Hydraulic Sewer Model – Joe P. to work with JVA (Ms. Fagan) on manhole locations and Ms. Fagan is in process with calculating sewer main capacities.
 - d. Collection System Improvements-last sections of construction drawings being completed. Attorney Fattor must get an easement signed and needs to be mindful of the tight timeline. Bid to go out at end of the month (January 2024).
 - e. Development Reviews -3 reviews are in the queue and comments due by 12/31/23.
- J. Joe Fattor – An Executive Session is scheduled for 1/25/2024 @ 3:15 pm to discuss the Mountain Pines subdivision sewer lines.
- K. Minutes Special Meeting November 11/30/2023 – With no edits, Director Mudge moved to approve, seconded by Director Smith, all voted in favor.
- L. Minutes Special Meeting December 12/11/2023 - With no edits, Director Smith moved to approve, seconded by Director Vigil, all voted in favor.
- M. Minutes Regular Meeting December 12/14/2023 – With one typing edit, Director Mudge moved to approve, seconded by Director Vigil, all voted in favor.

- N. Minutes Regular Meeting December 12/28/2023 - With no edits, Director Vigil moved to approve, seconded by Director Smith, all voted in favor.
- O. Check List Approval – With no questions or corrections, Director Vigil moved to accept, seconded by Director Mudge, all voted in favor.
- P. Employee Handbook, By-Laws and Job Descriptions – Tabled.
- Q. Plant Update – Logbook reviewed by board members. More detail should be included by plant staff. Winter line flushing is being provided on a regular schedule. There are 5 lines, including West Pines. Chair Berger notified plant staff that the Harrison Street line must be flushed prior to Ski Joring weekend. Operator Passalaqua stated that written SOPs are needed plant wide.
- R. Office – No written report provided. However, given the continued expense for failure of staff to do utility locates, Ms. Salazar suggested that before “dig season” starts, the board designate one person to do locates. The office has been busy responding to rate increase complaints via phone and in person since the beginning of the month.

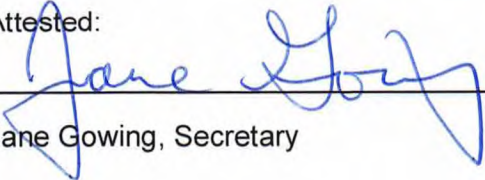
At 7:33 pm Director Vigil moved to adjourn, seconded by Director Smith, all were in favor.

Said minutes were read and approved:



Kenneth Berger

Attested:



Jane Gowing, Secretary