

deed transfer at the next meeting.

The board accepted the transfer and dedication subject to title, 3-0.

Executive session

Dykstra announced that no action would be taken by the board after the executive session, and the board moved into executive session at 4:43 p.m., pursuant to Colorado Revised Statutes 24-6-402(4)(b) and (e), to discuss matters about an inter-governmental agreement.

2021 audits

Nichols reminded the board it had signed a full audit exemption for PPMD 3 in February and said that no deficiencies had

been found in the internal control for FLMD and PPMD 2. The districts had received a “clean opinion” for the 2021 audits from Hoelting & Sons.

The board accepted the audits for both districts, 3-0.

The board approved the minutes from the Feb. 7 meeting, 3-0.

PPMD 1 board meeting

Director Chris Paulene was excused.

2021 audit

Nichols stated that PPMD 1 had received a “clean opinion” from the district auditor Hoelting & Sons, and requested the board approve the 2021 audit and the fi-

nancial statements received by the board.

The board accepted the audit as presented, 3-0.

April financial statement

The board accepted the financial statement as of April as presented, 3-0.

The board also approved the June financial transaction to include the final bill for the 2021 audit for \$5,100 from Hoelting & Sons.

The board approved the minutes from the Feb. 7 meeting, 3-0.

The PPMD 1 board adjourned at 4:09 p.m.

Meetings are usually held quarterly on the first Monday of the month at 4 p.m. Until further notice, meetings will be held via teleconference due to COVID-19 distancing protocols. Meeting notices are posted at <https://forestlakesmetrodistrict.com>. For general questions, contact Ann Nichols at 719-327-5810, anichols-duffy@aol.com.

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Triview Metropolitan District, July 20

Moving forward with NMCI

By Marlene Brown

At the Triview Metropolitan District Regular Board of Directors meeting on July 20, the board approved an agreement with Colorado Springs Utilities (CSU) to cooperate and participate in the engineering and design of the North Monument Creek Interceptor (NMCI) project.

Board members, Triview staff, and lawyer George Rowley attended in-person and online. The meeting agenda and packet may be viewed at <https://triview-metro.com/board-documents-and-notices>. All board members were present, and a quorum was in effect.

NMCI project

The NMCI project can provide wastewater collection, delivery, and treatment service through the CSU plant. Potential partners include Forest Lakes Metropolitan District and Donala Water and Sanitation District. Triview anticipates its maximum wastewater treatment needs will be about 1 million gallons per day. It has determined that wastewater service provided by NMCI will be the most cost-

effective and efficient means of providing the service. Therefore, Triview agrees with CSU to cooperate and participate in the engineering and design of NMCI. The board unanimously approved Resolution 2022-06.

Election of officers

The board approved the slate of officers for new terms. They are President Mark Melville, Vice President Anthony Sexton, and Secretary/Treasurer James Barnhart.

\$1.6 million for Northern Delivery System segment

The board unanimously approved the consent agenda for the special board meetings June 9 and 23. Action items included the award of Segment C of the Northern Delivery System in the amount of \$1.6 million to K.R. Swerdfeger. The June 9 meeting was adjourned. At the June 23 meeting, James McGrady said, “the progress is going well for Northern Delivery System.” The design is in place and contract awarded, with construction scheduled sometime in the fall. The

1041 application will be filed with El Paso County when the easements are in place.

Other items include Resolution 2022-05 Resolution of the Triview Metropolitan District Concerning District’s IGA with Town of Monument Sales Tax Share and Law Enforcement Tax.

The board approved a contract of \$6,000 per month for services between Triview and Forest Lake Metro District. Triview services are included but not limited to maintaining and mowing turf, removal of clippings and spraying weeds, irrigation and winterizing of sprinkler systems, tree and plant care, and snow removal.

Under resolution 2022-07, the Triview board will adopt a Code of Conduct and Code of Ethics for the board, staff, members of any committee, and any volunteers acting in behalf of the district’s attorney, who will provide details of the

Code of Conduct and Ethics at a later date.

Triview board meetings are generally held on the third Thursday of the month. The next regular board meeting is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on Aug. 18. The district office is located at 16055 Old Forest Point, Suite 302. Check the district’s website <https://triview.com> for meeting updates. Also see “Triview Metropolitan District” on Facebook or [Twitter.com/Triview-Metro](https://twitter.com/Triview-Metro).

The newsletter for July went out to Triview Metropolitan District customers. To schedule your new free smart digital water meter installation, call (719)488-6868 or email info@triviewmetro.com.

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Donald Wescott Fire Protection District, July 19

2021 audit is clean; funding transfer approved

By Natalie Barszcz

At the Donald Wescott Fire Protection District (DWFPD) meeting on July 19, the board received the 2021 audit presentation, ratified the approval and signature of the intergovernmental agreement (IGA) for the provision of emergency services from Tri-Lakes Monument Fire Protection District (TLMFPD), and approved the transfer of a lump sum to TLMFPD for the services.

Director Mike Forsythe was excused.

2021 audit presentation

Audit manager Daniel Slaymaker of Erikson, Brown and Kloster LLC said the district had received an unmodified or clean opinion for the 2021 audit, and no difficulties or disagreements had occurred between the auditors and the executive staff during the process. Slaymaker also confirmed that an audit filing extension had been filed for the 2021 audit.

Chairman Mark Gunderman requested the board approve the audit extension and consider approving the 2021 audit at the August meeting after the board members had commented on it.

The board approved the extension, 4-0.

Unification progress

District attorney Emily Powell of Ireland Stapleton Pryor Pascoe PC law firm requested the board ratify approval and the signatures of the IGA for the provision of emergency services from TLMFPD, effective as of June 21. See www.ocn.me/v22n7.htm#dwfpd and the TLMFPD article on page 13.

The board approved the request, 4-0.

Powell also requested the board consider the approval of a one-time 2022 lump sum transfer to TLMFPD in

the amount of \$1.8 million to pay for the services provided for the remainder of the year. The IGA full services contract implementation date is Aug. 28, and the transfer of funds would need to be made by Sept. 13, said Powell.

Administrative Assistant Stacey Popovich said the district will still collect taxes for the remainder of the year, and the bank accounts will remain open to pay for attorney fees and other administrative expenses.

The board approved the transfer, 4-0.

TLMFPD advisory board

Powell requested the board select two directors and alternates to serve on the TLMFPD advisory board. Although there will be no opportunity to vote or participate in an executive session unless invited to do so, the board would have a voice in the matters that affect taxpayers in the community. Eligibility to participate in the meetings would take place after June 28 and at the TLMFPD regular Sept. 28 meeting, said Powell.

The board appointed Gunderman and Secretary Larry Schwarz, 4-0.

Public comment

Resident Steve Simpson said he and other district residents are grateful to the board for their hard work, diligence, and stewardship. The level of emergency services had already increased two notches as part of a larger team, and everything is better for the community and the firefighters, he said.

Chief’s report

Division Chief of Operations Jonathan Bradley said the following:

- Fire Chief Andy Kovacs and Director of Administration Jamey Bumgarner met with Woodmoor

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