

and would indemnify WWSD against claims or liability resulting from the road's construction.

The board voted unanimously to authorize Shaffer to sign the agreement with MA.

Monument Junction to transfer supplemental water

District Engineer Ariel Hacker explained the background information regarding Classic Homes' request to transfer supplemental water from one part of its development to another. The Town of Monument required Classic Homes to reduce the number of apartments in the Monument Junction West development from 250 to 240, Hacker said. Classic Homes intends to increase the number of single-family residences in another part of the development from 120 to 129, and has asked WWSD to allow them to transfer the supplemental water they purchased for the apartments to the single-family residences.

Shaffer explained that supplemental water is supplied to a specific plot of land, so the request to transfer it requires consent from the board. He went on to explain the district's policy on supplemental water. WWSD provides 1/2 acre-foot of water per year for each acre of land at the district's standard rates, which is adequate for a single-family residence on a 3/4-acre lot. When a developer wants to build anything that requires more water, they must contract with WWSD to purchase supplemental water, which is much more expensive than the standard allotment, starting at \$29,000 for an additional acre-foot and rising to \$43,000 for larger allotments. In addition to the one-time charge, there is a monthly charge for water used, Shaffer said.

Following a brief discussion, the board voted unanimously to allow Classic Homes to transfer the supplemental water as requested.

Sewer saddle replacement contract awarded; other projects discussed

Hacker told the board she had received several bids from contractors to replace sewer saddles in the Forest subdivision, with Caraveo Construction Inc. submitting the low bid of \$303,593. Sewer saddles are vertical connectors that join residential sewer lines to sewer mains. She said Caraveo had done a similar project for WWSD last year with good results and she recommended that the contract be awarded to them.

The board voted unanimously to award the contract to Caraveo.

Hacker said another project to replace 30 saddles, five valves and three hydrants adjacent to Fairplay Drive had been put out to bid. She

also told the board that a total of five pressure reducing valves would need to be installed for the Monument Junction developments. She anticipated that work would cost \$250,000. Shaffer said a portion of that cost would be reimbursed by Classic Homes.

Hacker also discussed how the El Paso County-led project to widen Highway 105 might impact WWSD. First, a traffic roundabout would be installed on Knollwood Boulevard at the new west entrance to MA. The county is putting that work out to bid in February. Next, some WWSD water lines would be abandoned and many water and sewer lines would be rerouted. Hacker said she anticipated those changes would be "a big long project," starting with the portion of Highway 105 between Jackson Creek Parkway and Lake Woodmoor Drive, and then moving on to Highway 105 between Lake Woodmoor Drive and Furrow Road. A third phase would lie outside the WWSD service area, she said. Hacker added that the first two phases would take more than a year to complete.

Highlights of operational reports

- Operations Supervisor Dan LaFontaine said two bald eagles are nesting near Woodmoor Lake. The eagles are killing Canada geese, and a large bobcat or small cougar are cleaning up remains. The district is doing any further cleanup needed.
- The Cloverleaf development (previously known as the Walters family open space), is close to conditional acceptance and WWSD plans to provide three water taps a month until the end of 2023.
- Construction of a new well, Well 22, is slated to begin in spring of 2023.
- The Monument Ridge West development, in the northwest corner of the WWSD service area, has resumed its discussion about annexation with the Town of Monument.
- The Whataburger planned for the Monument Junction West development could be complete by summer of 2023, and the apartments in that development are not expected to be complete before 2024.
- The plan for the North Bay development, adjacent to the north side Woodmoor Lake, now specifies 30 single-family homes.
- A design for 52 units, some duplexes, some fourplexes, has been submitted for the Waterside development on the east side of Woodmoor Drive north of The Barn community center.

Monument Sanitation District, Feb. 15

Board appoints new director

By Jackie Burhans and James Howald

At its Feb. 15 meeting, the Monument Sanitation District (MSD) board appointed a new director to take the seat previously held by Director Laura Kronick. General Manager Mark Parker told the board about his meeting with an engineer working for Donala Water and Sanitation District (DWSD) to discuss its possible use of the Tri-Lakes Waste Water Treatment Facility (TLWWTF). Parker covered additional topics in his Manager's Report.

Tony Archer joins board

Before the meeting convened, Parker administered the oath of office to Tony Archer. Archer joins the board to replace Kronick. Kronick accepted an appointment to the Monument Town Council, which prohibits its members from serving on other boards in the Town of Monument. Kronick also resigned from her seat on the Joint Use Committee, which oversees the operations of the TLWWTF.

Archer's appointment will continue until May 2, when an MSD board election will be held. Archer has filed a self-nomination form to run for the seat in that election.

Manager's report

Parker told the board that he met with an engi-

neer working for DWSD to discuss DWSD's possible use of the TLWWTF. The engineer asked Parker for an overview of the TLWWTF system and operations. He also asked for information about the TLWWTF's current processing capacity and biological oxygen demand, a measure of the amount of organic matter in water. The engineer told Parker DWSD's transition from its current waste treatment facility to TLWWTF would likely be slow and that DWSD would pay any engineering costs related to the switch of providers. Parker said he presented two ways for DWSD to make use of the TLWWTF.

Parker reported to the board on a recent update to MSD's Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) software, which gathers, analyzes, and displays data generated by MSD's lift stations, valves, and treatment facility. The new version of the software alerts staff of events using texts rather than emails and can be operated remotely, Parker said.

Parker mentioned that a recent call for service to the MSD building's heating and cooling system had revealed a need to make changes in the building's attic to prevent extreme variations in temperature in different parts of the building.

Finally, Parker said that the repairs to pipe-

The next meeting is scheduled for March 13, 2023 at 1 p.m. Meetings are usually held on the second Monday of each month at 1 p.m. at the district office at 1845 Woodmoor Drive; please see www.woodmoorwater.com or call 719-488-2525 to verify meeting times and locations.

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