

tions for the district board election. The terms of current Directors Dave Powell, Bill Nance, and Bob Denny expire in May.

Some of the other matters Petersen reported on were:

- The design of the proposed county roundabout at the intersection of West Baptist Road and Old Denver Highway will not restrict heavy truck traffic access via Woodcarver Road and Old Denver Road to the Upper Monument Creek Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility.
- Petersen met with Colorado Springs City Council President Keith King to explain that while Donala has no stormwater responsibilities in its service plan, the district wishes to work with the city on any regional solutions that the city can work out with the county as well as continuing to work with CSU on drinking water issues and stormwater issues.
- Petersen provided copies of the Davidson Investment firm's investment policies for its Donala accounts so the directors can better understand the requirements to comply with state law.
- Petersen advised members of the Tri-Lakes Economic Development Committee at their late November meeting that public utilities such as Donala cannot discount the fees or rates for the services they provide to recruit or encourage businesses to relocate to the Tri-Lakes region.
- The staff will visit Willow Creek Ranch monthly this winter to better understand the effects of snow and

ice on Donala's equipment and stream berms to better control flows next year.

- Petersen asked board members to participate in a test of seven new-generation water meters that measure flows with no moving parts to determine if the new style of meter will actually lower operation and maintenance issues/costs.
- Triview paid Donala for seven new taps in November, lowering Triview's remaining debt to \$743,810 for Donala's financing of part of Triview's ownership cost for expanding the Upper Monument facility to a sequenced batch reactor process.
- The Triview board has two vacant seats.
- The Doral Way waterline construction project has been delayed due to problems including lack of written approval to bore under the fourth hole fairway of the Gleneagle golf course (which is undergoing financial hardships), delays in CSU providing written project approval, and some delays in obtaining public utility easements.
- Work continues by the Donala staff to arrange for the meetings between CSU and the Bureau of Reclamation staff to finalize a long-term storage contract for Donala's renewable water from Willow Creek Ranch in the Pueblo Reservoir prior to transport north by CSU to Donala's distribution system.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

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The next meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Dec. 5 in the district conference room at 15850 Holbein Drive.

Meetings are normally held on the third Thursday of the month. Information: 488-3603.

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**Tri-Lakes Facility Joint Use Committee, Dec. 10**

**JUC approves 2014 budget**

By Jim Kendrick

On Dec. 10, Tri-Lakes Wastewater Treatment Facility Joint Use Committee (JUC) Manager Bill Burks presented the final draft of the facility's 2014 budget to the facility's Joint Use Committee (JUC).

The Tri-Lakes facility operates as a separate public utility and is jointly owned, in equal one-third shares, by Monument Sanitation District, Palmer Lake Sanitation District, and Woodmoor Water and Sanitation District. The three-member JUC acts as the board of the facility and consists of one director from each of the three owner districts' boards: President Jim Taylor of Woodmoor, Vice President Dale Smith of Palmer Lake, and Secretary/Treasurer Chuck Robinove of Monument.

Due to the absence of Taylor and Smith, Robinove chaired this meeting. Woodmoor was represented by Director Rich Strom and Palmer Lake was represented by Virgil Watkins. Several other district board members, district managers, and district staff from each of the three owner districts also attended the meeting with Burks.

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