

Academy Water and Sanitation District, Aug. 20

Timeline of tasks shows work to be done before 2018 deadline

By Susan Hindman

Dave Frisch of GMS Engineering presented a timeline of tasks and deadlines to the Academy Water and Sanitation District board Aug. 20 as the district prepares to turn over the treatment of its wastewater to Donala Water and Sanitation District in October 2018.

Those tasks include: signing either an intergovernmental agreement or a service agreement with Donala; satisfying the county's 1041 regulation requirements to give the county a say in improvements to land; submitting a site development plan to the county for approval; engaging an advertising agency to help with the May 2016 election; finalizing the engineering report and submitting it to the state for approval; hopefully securing state funding; hiring the contractors and doing the actual construction work; and, finally, decommissioning the current treatment facility, which could take up to a year to complete.

The construction work will be two projects: building a new lift station and other work at the current treatment plant on Spring Valley Drive; and putting in the pipes that will carry the effluent from the current plant to the connection point with Donala.

Frisch also reported that the state Water Quality Control Division (WQCD) admitted to GMS that it had "lost" a letter that GMS submitted in February addressing the dechlorination facility requirement that is part of the

compliance schedule on Academy's wastewater permit. The WQCD is requiring the district to have the facility in place by October 2014. But the facility, estimated to cost \$35,000, would be unnecessary once operations are transferred to Donala.

Previous attempts by GMS to find out the WQCD's answer had gone unanswered. Frisch said the feeling was that the WQCD would be willing to work with Academy on this issue.

Other news:

- During recent resurfacing work in the Pleasant View neighborhood, county workers covered up 41 manholes and a majority of the district's water valves. Manager Anthony Pastorello was able to uncover the water valves—which must be accessed in the event of a water leak—but the manholes are more difficult and pose a safety threat because of traffic. The district will pay R&R Ditching to uncover them.
- Terri Rupert of Hanson & Co. presented the audit for 2013. No major issues came up during the audit. "We're in better shape with monitoring expenditures and budgets," she said, and there was no need to amend the budget. She noted that when comparing the original budget to the actual amounts, Academy took in more revenue than was projected and spent less than was budgeted.

The Academy Water and Sanitation District board meets at 6 p.m. the third Wednesday of every month at the fire station on Gleneagle and Jessie Drives. The next meeting is Sept. 17.

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Donald Wescott Fire Protection District, Aug. 19

Firefighters return from deployment to California

By Nancy Wilkins

At the Aug. 14 Donald Wescott Fire Protection District board meeting, Chief Vinny Burns told Directors Greg Gent, Harland Baker, Joyce Hartung, and John Fredell that all four Wescott firefighters returned safely after 14 days' deployment to California. Firefighters Shaun Leonhardt,

Brenden Hoglund, Eric Bogenrief, and Angela Vesey received training and experience working in a concerted effort to protect national forests and were placed in preemptive, anticipated fire preventive locations.

The district will be reimbursed for expenses through the state of Colorado. Weather conditions in the local area made the decision to deploy easier, said

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