

Storm Mountain #55 PID Annual Property Owners Meeting
June 9th, 2018, 11 AM; Fire Station 9, 100 Palisade Mtn Dr

Gary Kubinak called the meeting to order at 11 AM. He welcomed the community, introduced board members, and asked for any adds to the agenda.

All board members were present for the meeting along with 23 community members (list at end of minutes).

Sue Harris and James Tolland both inquired about topics they raised in e-mails. Deb Green indicated she had not seen the e-mails but would follow up; neither item was covered specifically in the agenda.

Sue Harris had a question on road maintenance on Mountain Peak Ln, which will be considered in reviewing 2018 grading for lesser secondary roads. Mr Tolland has a number of technical questions about current and past use of mag chloride solution on the roads which will require consultation with the county.

Mary Hill reviewed the final 2017 expenditures and the 2018 budget. She also reviewed the 2018 road work plan and expenses to date, referring to the priorities established in the Road Maintenance Standards and Goals established by the Storm Mountain PID. The 2018 road work plan was also previously shared with the community in April after the board voted on it.

Mary also discussed the upcoming work to removed trees that are blocking roads or roadside ditches and impeding road work. This work will take place in Cedar Park subdivision filings at the request of and funded by the Cedar Park Road Maintenance Corporation before it dissolved. Clearing the trees will facilitate snow plowing and other road maintenance activities.

Ed Ostransky expressed a desire to see additional funds spent on the secondary roads. He was told the board was trying to balance maintenance needs while staying within the budget; a high priority is being given to heavily used roads, but the boards is working to improve all roads.

Joanne Knight asked if any of the money spent on the tree cutting could be recouped. Gary and Mary replied that the PID board has no authority to do that. The money spent will make future road maintenance more efficient.

Georgia Wilson asked if there had been any follow-up with the community member that volunteered to assist the board with improving the working relationship with the Forest Service. Deb replied there has been little done yet - road plans took priority – but one e-mail has been forwarded to James Duhadway who will be the PID board contact.

Kerry Edwards Opened a discussion on the possibility of having equipment dedicated to Storm Mountain PID for road maintenance work, possibly following a plan used by the Pinewood Springs PID. Gary Kubinak indicated that the county has a number of regulations restricting what a PID can do, but that we would consider looking at the Pinewood Springs model. There was quite a bit of discussion on ideas already considered; Gary indicated that the board would be glad to consider a new proposal submitted by Kerry and could present it to the community for comment as well. There were a number of items brought up in this discussion including (not limited to) the possibility of grading more often to reduce the cost of major road repair, how the initial costs could fit in to the PID budget, types of equipment that are needed for our roads and any training required for various kinds of equipment.

James Tolland suggested investigating performance-based contracts. Gary indicated that the type of contract is under the county's control. He did comment that the road conditions have improved and that to do much more will require more money.

James also expressed concerns over the use of the magchloride/lignin mix on the roads. His e-mail with specific questions on the issue has been forwarded to Gary Kubinak, and we will need to work with the county to answer questions.

Ed Ostransky asked if any action had been taken on his proposal earlier this year to place a 4' x 8' sign listing all the road information at the "T". Board members had discussed the proposal, but not taken a formal vote (Note –this proposal was voted on during the board meeting following the annual meeting and it was decided it would not be a good use of PID resources).

Kerry Edwards noted that for next year's snow plowing contract it would be helpful to have a more specific definition for expected level of service, particularly involving ice on the road. Snow is pretty easy to measure, but whether or not roads ice over much harder.

Several community members mentioned specific trouble spots on roads. Residents are asked to report these locations via the PID e-mail or phone line, with road name and address locations or known landmarks so the areas can be checked.

Deb Green presented a draft map that shows the roads in the PID area, with road names and major landmarks. The goal is to add more information such as mileage, road classifications, etc and share consistent map(s) with the community to clarify road maintenance and snow plowing plans, locations of work, etc. Several comments were submitted and will be used in the next draft.

One other comment suggested smaller signs if the large sign is not approved (for example no ATV's).

Meeting was adjourned at 12:15.

Attendees including board members:

Anne Thompson, Georgia Wilson, Ron Pfeifer, Ed and Carolyn Ostransky, Shirley McKenna, Barb Carlson, Sue Harris, Bruce MacBryde, Diana and Gary Smith, Gary and Kathy Kubinak, Karen Debenham, Kerry and CJ Edwards, Shirley Foster, Diana Suhr, Joanne Knight, Rebecca White, Edward Haimes, Jen and James Toland, Chris Brock, Mary Hill, Deb Green, James DuHadway