

Eldorado Springs LID Advisory Committee Minutes

December 21th, 2023

TEAMS Video Conference Meeting

Members Present: Janet Robinson, Virginia Gurley, Alex North, Mary Smith

Guests: Gabby Begeman

County Staff: Taylor Ladenburg, Jennifer Keyes, Mike Thomas, Olivia Lucas

Minutes: November minutes approved

Action Items:

- Brochures given to the state park
- Engineers to verify equipment is an on-going task, likely to be done during approval of lift stations/appraisals.
- Olivia presented new LID Transfer presentation during the December meeting
- The valves listed on the ops report are not critical hardware and not the only way to shut off the system. Shutting off all the grinder pumps is more important should be done before the valves are ever used anyways. ORC has someone on call for doing the shut down process. In an extreme enough emergency, ORC has contacts in the community that can be walked through the process.
- Scheduling a hybrid teams/live public meeting is on-going for February.

Compliance reports: Plant capacity organic limits were out of compliance. This is likely due to a skewed reading from the automatic sampling equipment.

ORC Ops Report

- Emergency repair for a feed pump
- Spare feed pump to be delivered in March.
- Two items from the spare parts list were ordered, and about \$12,000 worth of non-critical spare parts are yet to be ordered. The LID will be requesting funds from the commissioners to order these.
- Lift station data still not accurate. Flow data into plant does not match flow data from lift stations.

Invoices and Budget

- Budget is getting reworked to better reflect operating cost.
- No UNCC/DU invoices due to no utility locates needed.
- Diversified Underground contract up for renewal in February.

New/Old Business

- CDPHE has a 180 days response time and we will likely not hear back from them soon on the methanol approval

- WWE recommended an increased usage of methanol and Fluidyne recommended more frequent sludge hauls. Both of which could help with plant TIN numbers.
- Olivia presented options of the LID transfer including:
 - Public Improvement District
 - Local Improvement District
 - County Run
 - Title 32 District
 - Private Sale
 - Area incorporates or annexes

See Memo and spreadsheet below

Comments Open for 2025 LID Transfer

- If the community does nothing, that leads to the “county run” option.
- Private sale not listed on the spreadsheet as entire column would be blank. It is listed in the written options list.
- A new LID can’t be used for maintenance needs. Likely not a feasible option considering similar case law with the road maintenance lawsuit.
- For an official recommendation from the committee to the board would require a vote within a meeting. Otherwise committee members would be speaking for themselves and not on behalf of the committee.
- County to add annexation/privatization to the chart or at least a note that their columns would be empty or not supported. All options should be mentioned as requested even as a simple statement about feasibility.

The meeting adjourned at 8:37 pm