

Alta Solid Waste Disposal District – Alta Advisory Committee
Quarterly Board Meeting Minutes
Date: July 21, 2021

Call to Order: The regular quarterly meeting of the ASWDD was held at the Alta Library and was called to order at 4:02 p.m. on July 21, 2021. Present were Scott Pierson, President; Michael Scheller, co-Treasurer; Jim Sheehan, co-Treasurer; Janis Falabella, Secretary; and Rod Gust, board member. Several members of the community also attended along with Board of County Commissioners Mark Newcomb and Luther Propst and Kip Roberson, the new Teton County Library Director.

Review Agenda - Several additions were made to the Agenda including: signage (part of Communication of Board), 2-day wedding event, and Monday's meeting re Targhee expansion/master plan).

April Meeting Minutes - No additions/corrections were made. Jim motioned for the minutes from April to be accepted as written, Michael seconded and the motion passed. Final minutes will be posted.

Treasurers Report – Jim and Michael will be working together to file the annual F32 report. Jim Wilson, the former President, was removed and Jim and Scott were added as signatories on the bank account. Jim Sheehan has the check book and verified that he could log into the account. Recent statements were downloaded. Jim motioned to accept the budget and Janis seconded. The motion passed.

Budget Review – the board reviewed the Workbook used to determine Alta SWDD fees for 2021-2022. Teton County Idaho is currently considering \$108 per residential unit. Historically, ASWDD has charged \$5 more per residential unit than Idaho. Michael recommended keeping the ASWDD fee at \$110 per residential unit for the coming year. But the community should expect a fee increase next year. There are eleven new houses since last year and there are approximately 13-14 un-permitted short-term rentals in Alta which are illegal and which put more strain on the system due to the frequent turnover of renters. It is believed that Targhee has a separate contract with Teton County Idaho and are not in our solid waste district (Michael to confirm). Janis made a motion to accept the Final Budget and Jim seconded. The motion passed.

Old Business

1. US Forest Service (USFS) Report by Jay Pence

a. Fire Control

The Forest Service continues to be concerned about Fire Danger and will resume their controlled burn program in the spring of 2022.

b. Grand Targhee EIS – The EIS is limited to impacts to the Forest. It does not take into account cumulative public impacts to water quality, law enforcement, traffic, wildlife, etc. The Idaho County Commissioners (“IDCC”) have called for a joint (Idaho and Wyoming) social and economic study to assess these impacts to both counties that are not addressed by the EIS and they are looking at how to fund the study. In a general sense, the IDCC have asked the WY County Commissioners to join them as a partner in responding to the EIS expansion and to both help fund this initiative as well as provide a united front in responding to the EIS. This topic is on the docket for this coming Monday's WY Teton County Commissioners board meeting. We asked Mark Newcomb and Luther Propst how ASWDD might help. A nominal contribution (\$2k) to the study by ASWDD was discussed. Scott to formerly respond to

WYCC stating the ASWDD supports the socio economic study and would be willing to make a nominal contribution. Robert Marin has the detailed plan for the study and is the person who should be contacted for more information. Targhee is hoping to have a final EIS published in the spring but this is likely to slip. Targhee does not see the need for an additional socioeconomic study but the original plan was formed in 2004-2006 and since that time the county population (and therefore seems reasonable to conclude the impact to the community) has changed dramatically.

c. Roads and Trails

Ongoing concern: non improved trails that keep getting improved w/o knowledge of the Forest Service and a significant increase in campers and folks leaving campfires unattended or not properly extinguishing them.

2. Teton Valley Solid Waste Report and Teton County, ID, Driggs, Victor, Teton, RAD discussion

No update at this time. They are still trying to digest what they are going to do with transfer station and recycling.

3. Annual Community Picnic

The Annual Picnic will be held today at 6:00 pm in the Alta Park, following the meeting. There will be a 4H Auction and Potluck with ASWDD providing the meat (pulled pork) and Jim Sheehan providing the drinks. Scott to come up with a checklist for next year so we can be better prepared in the future.

4. County Roads Discussion Speeds-signage-enforcement (Dave Gustafson, Road Supervisor)

Road improvements between Cole creek and Old Pass Road were completed. The speed limit on a large stretch of Teton Pass will be reduced to 45 mph. Speed Signage – recommending 4 way stop at the corner of Hastings and State Line Road. Speeding through the Alta School Zone continues to be an issue.

5. Teton County Land Development Regulations

a. Planner report – Alta is close to having a staffed Fire House

b. New building permits – ASWDD would like to be informed when building permits are approved in Alta (contact is Chris Neubecker). ASWDD needs to send a letter requesting this be done and copy the WYCC's.

c. Natural Resource amendments - new fencing regulations for agricultural purposes are being discussed. The WYCC are looking at reconsidering or exempting small-size agriculture enterprises (2.5 acres or less for example).

6. Communication of Board/Committee

County agenda website is where the ASWDD agenda **and minutes are posted**. Scott to explore and report at next meeting using an electronic message board for announcing meetings or other events such as those hosted by the Alta library. **JF: I went to the "Agenda Center" and checked the box for Alta Solid Waste District. I only see Agenda's for January and July meetings and none of the minutes posted. Should I be looking someplace else?**

7. Targhee Towne water source report – there is a preliminary draft engineering study/report that is being reviewed by a professional consultant. At their August meeting, the TT water board plans to discuss the draft. Following that meeting, the report should be available for public comment. The

report is being done by the rural water authority. Looking to the future with increased drought conditions a possibility, the TT water board is contemplating putting in a 400 foot well. This would tap into the same aquifer as TTWD uses now. TTWD covers Targhee Towne, Alta Library, 2 houses off Meriwether Circle and Alta B&B.

9. Silver Star

At this time, SilverStar is working hard on the first phase of implementation in the Alta Community which is running fiber pipe/main lines.

New Business

1. Districting - a discussion regarding districting with Mark Newcomb and Luther Propst was held. Luther said he was supportive of forming more districts but there are certain requirements that would have to be met to form an "Alta District". To be better represented, Alta needs to work to have a representative elected to the WYCC board. Forming a new "Alta" District is not out of the question but what it takes to do so, would need to be further studied. The commissioners said they could and would work harder to come over to Alta more often.

2. Targhee Master Plan - Mark felt Targhee needs to be made to adhere to their master plan and report back to ASWDD. Entitlements have already been approved for 450 units. The consensus was that the study be expanded to include the impact on Alta and Driggs as those communities are today (and not based on stale data from 2004). Michael made motion to send email re cumulative study and Janis seconded.

3. Non-permitted Events in TT – a 2-day wedding event in Targhee Towne that occurred in July on 3 acres and which exceeded the 10 decibel rule and where liquor was distributed, was discussed. The party continued late into the night. Jim Sheehan contacted the property owner who "acted appalled" and said it won't happen again. Given the size of the event it appeared to be a commercial event and not a family event. ASWDD was in favor of filing a formal complaint to nip this in the bud. Jim motioned that ASWDD file a formal complaint and Michael seconded. Scott will check that they had a permit and if not, we will file a formal letter of complaint.

Meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm.

JF: what do we want to attach to the minutes, if anything, for supporting docs?

Alta Solid Waste Disposal District
& Alta Advisory Committee

Quarterly Board Meeting
July 21, 2021
4:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Alta Library
50 Alta School Road Alta, Wyoming

Call to Order.

Confirm Quorum of Board
Introduce any guests.

Review Agenda:

Additions/Corrections to agenda

Review and approve Minutes from April meeting

Treasurers Report (preliminary report attached)

Review report
Budget review and approval of 2021-2020 year budget

Old Business

1. USFS Report / Jay Pence
 - a. Fire control
 - b. Grand Targhee EIS
 - c. Roads and Trails
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3. Picnic
 - a. 4-H Coordination, Budget, invitation to Sheriff others
4. County Roads discussion speeds-signage-enforcement. Dave Gustafson Road/Supervisor report.
5. Teton County Land Development Regulations
 - a. Planner report
 - b. New building permits
 - c. Natural Resource amendments. Fencing...
6. Communication of Board/committee

- a. Website?
- b. Posting minutes and agendas
- c. Meeting agendas
7. Targhee Towne water source report up-date
8. Silver Star Fiber up-date

New Business

Other items for discussion

Added: 2-day wedding event, Districts and Monday's meeting re Targhee expansion/master plan.

Adjourn