



**MINUTES OF SPECIAL WORK SESSION
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
PUEBLO WEST METROPOLITAN DISTRICT**

July 11, 2011

The Board of Directors of the Pueblo West Metropolitan District met in a work session meeting with District 70 at Fire Station #3, 729 E Gold Drive, Pueblo West, CO. at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: On roll call Board Members Acting Chair Christine McCarthy, Directors Chuck Green, and Mike French, was present. Chair Martin and Director Lisi was excused.

Also present were Jack Johnston, District Manager, Judy Leonard, Administrative Assistant; Tom Mullans, Attorney for the District; Lynette Pantello, Bill Bregar, Mike Connolly, District 70 Board; Ryan Elarton, Ed Smith, District 70 Superintendent; Martha Nogare, Pueblo West High Principal; Carol Cosby, Parks and Recreation; and Terry Lockwood, YMCA.

This work session meeting was a continuation on talks of partnering for projects that would be available to the schools and community. One of District 70 projects is to build a pool at the Pueblo West High School or at another facility for classroom education, swim meets, and public use. District 70 is placing a mill levy increase and bond issue on the November ballot in hopes it will pass by the voters. There is a sub-committee working with the community gathering information for input from areas this would affect. Their recommendation will be presented at the District 70 meeting July 19, 2011, 6:00 p.m., District 70 Administrative building at 24951 East Highway 50, Pueblo Colorado 81006. District Manager Johnston recapped the last meeting and what the group would like to accomplish as partners with future projects that would serve the community as well as all the schools.

District Manager Johnston mentioned conversations with the County Commissioners, Don Banner, YMCA Board Member, and future contact with Mike Baxter, Parkview Medical for interest and support. Mr. Smith mentioned that some board members feel a pool should be at a school site for classroom use and if at another facility would not be as assessable for school usage.

Director Green mentioned an article in the Pueblo West View that Director John Lisi was only interested in athletic projects which was not true. Director Green talked about the many projects and interests Director Lisi has done while on the board. He also thinks for the bond issue and mill levy initiatives to pass they have to be specific as to what the money will be used for.

Mr. Lockwood talked about future projects for the YMCA and plans in the future for a lap pool to be built. Mr. Lockwood also discussed the next project the YMCA has budgeted for in the next 6 months of a sports complex and explained what that would include. This project is similar to what Pueblo West Parks and Recreation would like to build and how that would affect two sports complexes. Mr. Lockwood mentioned the YMCA has 11 partners to help with future expansion of the YMCA and would not do anything without partners. He is interested in a partnership but further discussion with the YMCA board and others would have to approved and discussed.

Discussion on where the pool would be located, finances, maintenance responsibility, grants, if a 50 meter or 25 meter pool should be built with advantages and disadvantages, who would have the majority use of the pool the community or school, selling it to the community for voters

to pass the bond issue and raise mill levy, how this would work among partners with a contractual agreement, disadvantages if located away from a school, being specific as to what the money will be used for should the bond issue pass and importance of the timeline. Tom Mullans, Attorney for the District, suggested contacting other areas that have a pool and visit them to see how it works for them, how it is revenue generated, upkeep expenses, maintenance, and other issues or concerns anyone may have.

Mr. Smith stated District 70 will have a better idea on support of the bond issue and mill levy after recommendations from the committees presentation at the July 19, 2011 meeting at 6:00 p.m. at District 70 Administration building.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the board, on motion by Acting Chair McCarthy, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting is scheduled for July 12, 2011, at the hour of 5:30 p.m., presently set for the meeting room of the Board of Directors, 109 East Industrial Boulevard, Pueblo West, Colorado.