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*GIRDWOOD VALLEY SERVICE AREA BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Mike Edgington & Briana Sullivan, Co-Chairs
Jennifer Wingard, Amanda Sassi, Guy Wade*

November 10, 2021 GBOS Special Meeting Minutes Final 5PM via Microsoft Teams

This meeting is taking place via Microsoft Teams.

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Call to Order Briana Sullivan, Co-Chair
Roll Call Attending are Mike Edgington, Briana Sullivan, Jennifer Wingard, Amanda Sassi, Guy Wade
Disclosures None
Other attending are: Sen. Roger Holland; Assemblyman John Weddleton; Lance Wilbur, MOA Public Works Director;
Maury Robinson, Public Works Manager; Michelle Weston, GFR Chief; Christina Hendrickson; Stephan Saldanha;
Laurie Tryck, Jerry Fox

Agenda Revisions and Approval

November 10 2021 Special Meeting agenda approved

Mike Edgington/Guy Wade

BUSINESS:

1. Discuss damage and status of repairs related to fall storm
17" of rain from FRI Oct 29 thru TUE Nov 2. Issues with some residential streets as well as Ruane Rd, which is the only access to the Industrial Park, Transfer station and water/wastewater treatment plant.
Echo Ridge: entire road bed rebuilt with larger culvert to handle storm water volume. Project completed.
Loveland: private culvert was blocked and failed. Upgraded the size of that culvert and installed product that meets requirements for fish passage. Long term, GVSA will seek easement with property owner to take over maintenance of this culvert. Project completed.

Crystal Mtn: Plugged culverts. These will need to be dealt with in the future.

Arlberg Rd: creek flows along parking lot, temporary work was accomplished by Alyeska Resort crews to avoid overflow into parking lot and road. Work still needs to be done to avoid overflow/erosion of parking area.

Crow Creek Road also was damaged. This is a state road and was repaired by DOT.

Western is shifting equipment over to handle snowstorm that is predicted starting this evening, likely needing plowing tomorrow.

Ruane remains a big project.

Bill Spencer, HDR hydrologist says that the fix that is being installed is not adequate for volume that can be expected in future storms. Sewer line and natural gas also are installed in that section. Fortunately collapse of the road did not cause those to fail, however temporary road repair is complicated by them.

AWWU needed to access the treatment plan to remove sludge as normal weekly cycle. This was accomplished by created a temporary fix, which was in place and then removed and will be replaced with the next repair. Current

repair will use larger pipe than what was in before, which was installed 25+ years ago and not replaced with new road construction/paving of Ruane. Neither the original pipe nor the temporary repair meet fish passage requirements.

Cost:

Cost to repair the neighborhood roads and provide temporary fix to Ruane is estimated at \$700,000.

There is likely other damage not yet known to other culverts, roads and trails.

Permanent fix to Ruane culverts is estimated at \$1.5-2M. This project will require design, engineering, and construction.

2. Review options for covering cost of repairs

GVSA has Emergency Capital fund \$612,000

Areawide Bridge & Dam fund \$163,000

Undesignated Fund \$298,000

Road Capital account has \$109,000, which is planned for projects.

Some of this will require Assembly approval to access and move to service area for use on this project.

Long term impact of drawing funds from Undesignated fund and road capital account will impact projects that those funds would normally be used for.

MOA has not declared emergency for this, no formal communication has occurred at this time, although newspaper article indicated no declaration, however additional information has come forward regarding total financial impact.

State declaration would open funding.

Mayor and administration are relatively new and have not experienced this sort of issue until now.

Significant damage also in Cooper Landing, however this is state highway and work was performed by DOT.

Western is keeping documentation project-by-project so that it should be easily documented for reimbursement.

Motion:

Girdwood Board of Supervisors moves to write a letter to the Mayor requesting emergency declaration with copies to Assembly members, legislators, governor's office and offices of emergency management for city and state.

Motion by Mike Edgington, 2nd by Jennifer Wingard

Roll call vote

5 in favor, 0 opposed

Motion carries.

GBOS discusses need to communicate with public to update status. Jennifer Wingard and Briana Sullivan to work on information to share.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Persons offering public comment must state their full name and address. Public Comment is limited to three (3) minutes per person and must be on subjects not listed on the agenda.

Adjourn 6:24PM

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