## BLACKSTONE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING | MINUTES OCTOBER 12, 2021

(VIRTUAL MEETING)

## I. ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM & CALL TO ORDER:

Board Members in attendance were:

Shawn McGoff President Jill Shadwell Secretary

Maria Elena Daniels Assistant Secretary

Bret Erickson Director

Others in attendance were Management Representative, Chris Herron (Westwind), Clint Waldron (WBA), Curtis Bourgouin (CLA), plus 1 member of the public signed on to the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 pm by President, Shawn McGoff.

**II. BUDGET REVIEW** - Curtis Bourgouin with CLA presented the draft budget for review. Discussion was held and questions were answered.

Regarding revenue sources, questions were reviewed and answered regarding the current mills and their allocation to the various funds. The Operations Fee Fund was addressed, and discussion ensued regarding how to fund the district's functions and obligations, overall. Generally, funding options were shared to include reduction of the mill levy, and an increase in operating fees (quarterly charges) or keep operating fees lower and fund the mill levy at a higher rate. There is a cap on property taxes in aggregate of \$1,625,000 which may be used to pay for general fund items. Board members discussed options for reducing costs and therefore the charges to homeowners for either mill levy and / or operating funds.

How accounts are assigned to the various funds was also discussed; costs may be reassigned, if appropriate to the general fund versus the operating fund.

Expenditures were also considered. Clint Waldron with WBA noted that election expenses will be incurred in 2022 and 2023 and then again in 2025, due to the recent election cycle change. The Board considered funding and future projects or initiatives which are desired. This included property improvements, landscaping, etc.

It was noted that the updated draft of the budget would be submitted to the Board by or before the October 15<sup>th</sup> deadline.

- **III. PUBLIC COMMENT** The Homeowner in attendance had no comment. Shawn McGoff shared a pending design review item to attain Board feedback. It was also noted that the Board is waiting on the committee for a final draft of the DRC Guideline updates.
- **IV. ADJOURNMENT** There being no further business to conduct, there was a motion and second to adjourn the meeting at 4:42 p.m.