

**Center of Colorado Water Conservancy District
Meeting of the Board of Directors
March 14, 2018**

The monthly meeting of the Center of Colorado Water Conservancy District was held on Wednesday, March 14, 2018 in the water district offices at 548 Front Street, Fairplay, CO 80440. Board President Briggs Cunningham called the meeting to order at 2:04 PM.

Members of the Board present in the office were Briggs Cunningham and Chris Fuller. Attending by telephone conference was Craig Steinmetz, Lisa McVicker, Geri Salsig and legal counsel David Shohet. Also present at the offices were Dan Drucker and Nola Knudsen.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AND MINUTES

Chris Fuller moved to approve the agenda as presented. Geri Salsig seconded and the motion carried unanimously. Chris Fuller moved to accept the February minutes as amended with a couple of spelling corrections. Geri Salsig seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

2.1 Administrator's report on accounts – Nola Knudsen reviewed the monthly warrants with the Board. Warrants and invoices totaled \$40,221.83.

2.2 Treasurer's Review – None

2.3 Approval of Invoices and Warrants – Lisa McVicker moved to approve the invoices as presented. Geri Salsig seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

OPERATIONS MANAGER'S REPORT

Guffey- area augmentation plan (GAP). Board members received a copy of the Operations Manager's report prior to the meeting. Regarding the report on a storage tank, Briggs Cunningham asked the price of a new tank and of having the old tank repaired. Dan Drucker said there is an option on a used tank that expires the middle of April (Alpine Bluffs tank).

Chatfield Reallocation Project - Dan Drucker said on March 20th there will be helicopters to lift out trees and there will be testing for efficacy in other areas. Dan described some improvements being made such as dealing with sediment flow.

OLD BUSINESS

David Shohet provided a brief comment on three of the Center's cases.

4.1 Update on Lininger Lake – The statement of opposition period ended in February for the application filed in December for a storage water right for Lininger Lake. There are some opposers. Efforts have been made to work on water operations. Mr. Loose and Wheeler are working on how to make exchanges. It is likely they will need some engineering assistance. David wants to retain TZA for engineering assistance with the Lininger Lake application. Chris Fuller made a motion to pay up to \$10,000 for engineering expense. The motion was seconded by Geri Salsig and carried unanimously.

4.2 Update on Indian Mountain subdivision water issues – This will be discussed in the HASP meeting.

4.3 Update on Div. 2 Guffey-area Augmentation Plan – David Shohet said the Boards will need to make a decision on repairing the Alpine Bluffs storage tank or whether to purchase a new one. This will be discussed further in the Joint meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Lease of Randall and Sessions water to Centennial – Prior to the meeting, David Shohet sent the Board members a PDF chart showing the approximate amounts of water the District will need for our uses this year. Under the Center’s agreement, the Center gets the first 195af of water available for our uses from the Randall and Sessions water. What is not needed, the Center can lease to Centennial. CCWCD leased the full 195af to Centennial last year for \$24,000. David explained what the chart showed regarding HASP needs and concerns when going into a drought year. He explained that CCWCD needs 73af of water. David said he is anticipating exchanging water to Lininger lake.

Lisa McVicker made a motion to lease Centennial 126af of water of CCW’s 195af of Randall and Sessions water in this water year. Chris Fuller seconds and the motion carried unanimously.

Park County augmentation plan – David Shohet sent a letter to Park County telling them again there is no storage available to them in their augmentation plan. If the County wants water storage, there will need to be a written agreement. The County agreed and they are interested in pursuing an agreement.

UPDATE ON LEGAL ISSUES

Case 17CW3207 - JTR diligence: The Center filed an application on December 27, 2017 seeking a finding of reasonable diligence and to make a portion of water right absolute. The statement of opposition ended with none filed. David is proceeding forward to finalize the case. The Center has an agreement with Centennial to split the costs for filing fees.

DIRECTORS ISSUES

Briggs Cunningham – Briggs spoke about the Elk Creek water plan. The area is located south east of Staunton State Park. Briggs said they are going to deplete it. The plan allows for indoor use with excess water for lawn irrigation and ponds.

Chris Fuller said she realized she never provided a weed report to the Board. She will send it out electronically to board members. The state engineer came to the round table in 2011 to ask for money to install telemetry equipment to lessen the work. Lisa’s point was there has been a push for telemetry for some time.

Chris Fuller moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:45 PM. The motion was seconded by Geri Salsig and carried unanimously.

Nola Knudsen, District Administrator