

Center of Colorado Water Conservancy District
Meeting of the Board of Directors
May 13, 2020

The monthly meeting of the Center of Colorado Water Conservancy District was held on Wednesday, May 13, 2020 at the water district offices located at 548 Front Street in Fairplay. Board President Briggs Cunningham called the meeting to order at 1:02 PM.

The member present in the office was Briggs Cunningham. Members of the Board who were present by telephone conference were Lisa McVicker, Geri Salsig, Chris Fuller and Craig Steinmetz. Dan Drucker and Nola Knudsen were present in the office. Legal counsel David Shohet was present by telephone conference as was patron Lynn Buchanan.

Lisa McVicker approved to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Geri Salsig and the motion carried unanimously. Geri Salsig made a motion to approve the April minutes as amended. Lisa McVicker seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

2.1 Administrator's report on accounts: Nola Knudsen reviewed the month's expenses with the Board. May's warrants and invoices totaled \$13,885.20.

2.2 Treasurer's Review: Craig Steinmetz has reviewed all warrants and approves.

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

OPERATIONS MANAGER'S REPORT

Prior to the meeting, Dan Drucker emailed the Operations Manager's report to all Board members.

3.1 Update on Division 2 Guffey area Augmentation Plan (GAP) esp. Currant Creek Two (CCT) plan: We now have the Wildlife 1041 permit and we are still waiting on the Water Projects 1041 permit. Dan Drucker discussed the delay related to the covid-19 issues.

3.2 Update on various specific items in Operations Manager's report: Dan Drucker discussed the difficulty of getting a report on pricing for gravel. Lisa McVicker made a motion to authorize Dan Drucker to spend up to \$5,000 in order to fix the road at the SPR, complete a contract with a diver to clean out algae and to make a boat ramp. Geri Salsig seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS:

5.1 Report from Craig Steinmetz on Audit requirement: Craig shared information about a letter received from the government about the new audit requirement. He also sent a copy of the letter to the auditors.

UPDATE ON LEGAL ISSUES

Case 16CW3184 Bureau of Land Management – David Shohet said our expert's reports were filed and we are waiting for a reply. There is a significant difference in amount of evaporative depletions the BLM wants to replace and what our engineering believes is needed. David said they are still trying to negotiate something.

Case 17CW3214 Lininger Lake – Mountain Mutual is the only party remaining in the case. Legal counsel is trying to resolve issues with Mountain Mutual in both the 17CW3214 case as well as the 19CW3154 case.

Case 18CW3100 Retreat Land - HASP entered into a stipulation with Retreat Land on March 5, 2020. A final decree was entered on April 17, 2020 and the case is now complete.

Bar Star – no updates

County's 5 acre feet storage – no updates

HASP Applications – HASP was in the process of removing two customers for non-payment, however, Cranford paid in full today and is being left in the program. Miller/Hotleaf has not paid and a lien is being filed against the property now owned by the bank.

Deer Creek Measurement Device– The construction of the water gauge is now completed. Both Retreat Land and Mountain Mutual have executed agreements with HASP for the use of the Deer Creek gauge. Colorado Parks and Wildlife and Mill Iron D are the only two parties who have not signed the agreement.

Storage in Spinney – Legal counsel for HASP has executed a lease with Aurora to provide HASP two additional acre feet of storage space in Spinney until December 31, 2042.

SPR, JTR, and Randall Water Rights Operations – In May, 2020, Randall Ditch credits became available. CCW exchanged some of those credits to get the SPR topped off.

PATRONS COMMENTS

None

DIRECTOR'S ISSUES

Briggs Cunningham asked when the slash disposal is going to be opened. Chris Fuller said after the space was cleared out. Lisa McVicker asked about progress getting scholarship announcements out. Nola has contacted a teacher at South Park High and Chris will make contact with another teacher.

Chris Fuller moved to adjourn the session. Lisa McVicker seconded and the meeting adjourned at 3:32 PM.

Nola Knudsen, District Administrator