

Center of Colorado Water Conservancy District
Meeting of the Board of Directors
July 12, 2023

The monthly meeting of the Center of Colorado Water Conservancy District was held on Wednesday, July 12, 2023 at the main meeting room of the district offices located at 548 Front Street in Fairplay. Lisa McVicker, Board Chairman, called the meeting to order at 1:06 PM.

The members present in the office were Craig Steinmetz, Chris Fuller, Lynne Buchanan, and Lisa McVicker. Nola Knudsen, Administrator, was present in the office as was Lisa Barden Brown, Operations Manager. Also present was Dan Drucker, Emeritus Board member. David Shohet was present via teleconference.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Lynne Buchanan moved to approve the agenda as amended by moving New Business item 5.1 after approval of the minutes. Chris Fuller seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Chris Fuller moved to approve the minutes as amended. Lynne Buchanan seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Filling Briggs Cunningham's vacancy: The board members received Dan Drucker's letter of interest in filling the vacancy on an interim basis until Briggs Cunningham may return at which time Dan Drucker would return to full time retirement. Lisa McVicker said Dan and Briggs will continue to seek other interested parties from the Bailey region in the meantime. Dan Drucker has provided service since the formation of the District and filling the position as President of the Board and Operation's Manager. David Shohet believes the Judge will have to appoint the new individual on an interim basis.

Chris Fuller moved to accept Dan's letter of application to fill Briggs Cunningham's position as an interim director and concomitantly authorize David Shohet to send the judge Dan's letter and a letter indicating the vote of the board accepting Dan as the interim director filling Briggs Cunningham's term while actively seeking another board member. The motion was seconded by Lynne Buchanan and carried unanimously.

Lynne Buchanan moved to appoint members of the Board to the following positions; Lisa McVicker as President, Craig Steinmetz will assume the Vice-chair, Lynne Buchanan will continue as Treasurer, and Chris Fuller remains as Secretary. Craig Steinmetz seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Chris Fuller moved to remove Briggs Cunningham from signatory for the banks and to add Lisa Barden Brown as a signatory. The motion was seconded by Lynne Buchanan and carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

2.1 Administrator's Report on Accounts: Nola Knudsen reviewed the check register with the Board. Expenses for June totaled \$15,994.72. Total cash assets after bills have been paid is \$1,942,628.10.

2.2 Treasurer's Review: Lynne Buchanan stated she has reviewed all invoices for payment and approved all of them. Lynne reported in June, the District received utilities and rent from Nola Knudsen. \$1289.99. Deposits into Colorado Trust with interest and property taxes minus the Treasurer fees were \$106,403.59. The interest was \$7,882.41.

2.3 Approval of Invoices and Warrants: Chris Fuller moved to approve the invoices and warrants as presented. The motion was seconded by Lynne Buchanan and carried unanimously.

OPERATIONS MANAGER'S REPORT

Operations Manager's Report for June 1, 2023 – June 30, 2023

Smelter Pipeline Reservoir (SPR): At the beginning of June, there was 26.55 AF in storage. On July 1, there was 25.31 AF in storage. We started drying out around the middle of the month and evaporation began. I have obtained measurements of the head gate structure to write the invitation for bids on replacing it.

Chatfield Reallocation Project (CRP): Accounting for May was received at the end of June. As of May 31, CCWCD had our full amount of 141 AF in storage. There have been a number of meetings to discuss the accounting in the reallocation pool, and participants' ability to refill. As I understand our decree, we have the ability to refill (some participants do not). Also discussed are lease agreements relating to the environmental pool, CPW, and CWCB. Each participant needs to be fully versed in how all the agreements and governing documents work together. The operations budget for 2023-2024 is projected to cost about \$90/share. Mitigation efforts are going well, but it remains to be seen how the full pool will affect tree health, and how much die-off there will be.

James Tingle Reservoir (JTR): Accounting for May was received in June. On May 31st, CCWCD had 97.44 AF in storage. Accounting for June was recently received. On June 30th, CCWCD had a total of 95.99AF in storage. The difference is due to evaporative loss, beginning in mid-June. The dam crest road resurfacing project was started on July 11th. Equipment was being mobilized and survey work to program the heavy equipment to exact levels was being done at the time of my visit on July 11th. Road base material will start to be moved onsite beginning July 12th. Centennial's engineer, Austin Long, was onsite. He will be there again on July 14th, possibly with a drone pilot, and I plan to stop by.

South Platte Enhancement Board (SPEB): I virtually attended the June 21st meeting. The next meeting will be July 19th. A presentation was given by American Whitewater discussing boat able days on the SPEB segments of the S. Platte. Their full report will come out by the end of this month. They mostly talked about ideal flows and whitewater usage. The Lake George dam removal project is moving according to schedule. The design has been submitted, and they are just waiting for final contractor pricing. The project was expected to begin in early July, with actual dam removal potentially happening sometime in August. Roberts Tunnel has been off since May 12th, and is forecast to be off for an unknown amount of time, depending on the weather. New parking lots at Happy Meadows (segments A & B) are being constructed. River Patrol has been brought on for the summer in segments E & H.

Michigan Creek Restoration Plan (MCR): No changes since last report.

Bar Star Corporation (BSC): No changes since last report.

Indian Mountain Plan (IMP): No changes since last report.

Guffey-area Augmentation Plan (GAP): No changes since last report.

Division Two Delivery (DTD): No changes since last report.

Currant Creek Two (CCT): No changes since last report.

Kenosha Trout Club (KTC):

Water started being stored in Lininger Lake at the end of May, and was anticipated to fill by mid-June. I will be going up there on July 14th to meet with the caretaker.

CCWCD Website Issues:

The website designer is running regular maintenance on the site. She also has just regained ownership of our Google listing, and has updated CCWCD's status there.

OLD BUSINESS

4.1 Burro Days Open House: The board members discussed progress made for the open house. Lisa Brown said she has received the water bottles. There was a discussion regarding hanging the new shades for the conference room. The Board agreed to pay Kevin Knudsen \$20 per shade to hang. Lisa Brown has an ad ready to run in the Flume next week. The paper is now coming out on Friday. Banners have been ordered. Nola has borrowed two sandwich boards from the town of Alma. Chris Fuller will obtain the two benches.

Lisa McVicker will pull together an article for the paper. Lisa Brown received a letter from David Shohet regarding the history of the water district. It can be updated as a starting spot. The slides are about 10 minutes and rotates. The board reviewed the slide presentation that will be running during open house.

The Board decided to be at the office at 11:00 on Friday to set up the room. The open house will run on Saturday from 10:00 to 3:00. Lisa McVicker presented a photo by Tony Etsell. Lisa said

it was \$500 a couple of years ago. Once they get prices she will send an email for a vote. Board members shall reply only to Lisa Brown.

4.2 548 Front Street building updates: Craig Steinmetz discussed the exterior signs to be order. One will be an elongated sign for CCWCD and to right of that sign, an open space to put USP and HASP. Lynne Buchanan will put the package together and forward to the sign company and get a proposal.

Craig Steinmetz has lined up various subcontractors. Valley Glass will put panic bars on the front and side door and the door to the foyer. We will put panic devices on three doors. He said we don't have to buy new ones.

We will pour a concrete step to the elevation of the tile and lightly slope the concrete stoop. We will cut the transom to size. Craig also met with Chris Benzie to get pricing on sidewalks in two sections and for voids under the building, through the alley and back up the side to take out vegetation and pour a curb. Chris Benzie will pour three stoops.

Craig said a public building requires exchange air for a Certificate of Occupancy. He will get a proposal for exchange air. Craig still wants names and numbers for the carpet to be cleaned and stretched, an electrician for emergency and exit lighting, and a business to install stucco.

Craig wants three exit signs with emergency lighting on them.

Lynne suggested flexible furniture for the conference room.

UPDATE ON LEGAL ISSUES

Case 22CW3185 Application of City of Aurora. Madoline Wallace-Gross is handling this case. She is presently receiving comments. Wheeler has been obtained to help.

Case 22CW3200, Application of HASP. HASP is required to provide comments back to Aurora on the initial engineering and proposed decree circulated by Aurora n or before September 8, 2023. Madoline Wallace-Gross is the lead on this case.

HASP Applications: HASP has received two new applications. One is for a large pond for bible retreat college near Woodland Park on Trout Creek in Teller county and the second application is for a second domestic supply and 600 sq. ft. of lawn and garden. The Applicant wants 9.567 AF of water.

David Shohet said he sent out the monthly Wheeler report.

Lease of Big Timber – David Shohet said has talked to the dental group interested in leasing space; they are having a board meeting on July 26, and are still very interested in serving the Fairplay area and are working on possible funding sources. Leases were sent to the USP and HASP to lease the center area. Dave Wissel was told the space can't be leased. Craig Steinmetz contacted Kyle, the head building inspector. There is nothing required in this building.

Nola will follow-up with Dave Wissel and discuss options that would satisfied their needs. Nola discussed the possibility of electronically storing old CCWCD records and files. Chris Fuller suggested obtaining an external drive for scanning documents.

DIRECTOR'S ISSUES

Lisa McVicker welcomed back Dan Drucker and appreciates his willingness serve the District again and to seek new members. Chris Fuller said Wildhorse has been busy for three full weeks. Aurora is there all the time drilling and surveying. Aurora was here at the last meeting but Dawn didn't know what was going on. We can inquire when we have the joint meeting in August.

Lynne Buchanan moved to adjourn. Chris Fuller seconded and the meeting adjourned at 2:48pm.