

Center of Colorado Water Conservancy District
Meeting of the Board of Directors
February 8, 2023

The monthly meeting of the Center of Colorado Water Conservancy District was held on Wednesday, December 14, 2022 at the water district offices located at 548 Front Street in Fairplay. Briggs Cunningham, Board Chairman, called the meeting to order at 1:01 PM.

The members present in the office were Briggs Cunningham, Lisa McVicker, Lynne Buchanan, Chris Fuller and Craig Steinmetz. Nola Knudsen, Administrator, was present in the office as was Lisa Barden Brown, Operations Manager's Assistant and Ryan Farr, legal counsel. Dan Drucker Emeritus, joined at 1:22 PM. Members present from the Upper South Platte Water Conservancy District were Bob Slagel, Jon Rice, and Madoline Wallace-Gross.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Under Old Business 4.2, discussion of the budget shall be deleted. Chris Fuller moved to approve the agenda as amended. Lynne Buchanan seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Briggs Cunningham requested a change under Operations Manager's to add information regarding fencing and to correct the premium amount for insurance for the building. Chris Fuller moved to accept the January minutes as amended. Lisa McVicker seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

2.1 Administrator's report on Accounts: Nola Knudsen reviewed the check register with the Board. Expenses for February totaled \$15,776.41. Total cash assets after bills have been paid is \$1,452,534.81.

2.2 Treasurer's Review: Lynne Buchanan reported the deposits for the month for office rental and small interest in the amount of \$4,916.97. The property tax receipts were not available before this meeting. Lynne received an engagement letter from Hoelting and Company for the 2022 Audit and discussed with the Board whether to hire them again.

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

OPERATIONS MANAGER'S REPORT

Prior to today's meeting, Lisa Brown distributed an Operations Manger's report to all Board members. Regarding the Chatfield Reallocation Project, Lisa addressed the removal of trees by helicopter and water level accounting. The new accounting spread sheet reflects the 10

additional shares that CCWCD purchased last summer. Lisa reviewed water releases and storage at the James Tingle Reservoir and the 2022 monitoring report from Schnabel that was distributed. The grading project on the access road and crest are anticipated to be completed this summer. The Smelter Pipeline Reservoir is stable; the ice is very thick. The road was plowed of snow four times in January but the ice dam next to the access road is no longer a concern.

Lisa virtually attended the South Platte Enhancement Board and shared information about the presentation by Dr. Caine of the USGS and by Denver Water's representative, Nathan Elder regarding the moratorium on applications for development of the Two Forks Right of Way that are set to expire in 2023. This includes the Gross Reservoir off Boulder Creek and just downstream of Rollinsville. Lisa McVicker said the neighbors are not happy about this.

Lisa assisted with the USGS Snow Survey and provided information on snow pack. The area surrounding the Fairplay area is at 81% whereas the whole South Platte Basin was at 117%. Additionally, they are now doing aeriels.

OLD BUSINESS

4.1 Big Timbers Building Update: Lisa Brown said the insurance company has been dragging their feet. Glatfelter renews on the 10th. The renewal premium quote for property is \$1,723.00, general liability is \$1,885. The total annual fee is quoted as \$4,722.00. Their manager got another quote at \$6800 just for property insurance. A lot of insurance companies are hesitant to take on property insurance.

Craig Steinmetz discussed the report summary of items found during the environmental assessment and handed out page 5 of report. Craig asked board members to familiarize themselves with these things and to put a discussion of these items on the agenda for next month.

NEW BUSINESS

None

UPDATE ON LEGAL ISSUES

To be reviewed in executive session

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

6.1 Lisa McVicker made a motion to enter into executive session pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(b) C.R.S. for purposes of receiving legal advice re: USPWCD's Change of the Rosalie Ditch, Case No. 22CW3200. The motion was seconded by Craig Steinmetz and carried unanimously. No decisions were made in executive session.+

DIRECTORS ISSUES

Briggs Cunningham said it is time for all three entities to resolve issues when they come up. Lisa McVicker asked for a summary of jurisdictions to help us remember. Lynne Buchanan said the District is in our 26th year and previously talked about a celebration. We can discuss this at the March meeting. Craig Steinmetz said he looks forward to CCWCD taking a more active role as owners.

Lynne Buchanan made a motion to adjourn. Chris Fuller seconded the motion which was carried unanimously and the Board adjourned at 2:01 PM.