

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
RURAL WATER AUTHORITY OF DOUGLAS COUNTY
HELD
July 19, 2017**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Rural Water Authority of Douglas County (RWADC) was held on July 19, 2017, at the Douglas County Miller Building, 100 Third St., Castle Rock.

Call to Order Director Bucknam called the regular meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Attendance In attendance were Directors:

Charles Bucknam
Jack Delaney
Barry Gager
Hank Giclas
Chris Kennedy

A quorum was declared.

Also in attendance were:

Geoff Withers, RWADC Administrator, Circuit Rider of Colorado
Gabe Hale, Grandview Estates resident

Disclosure of Conflicts Director Bucknam asked if any Board member had a conflict of interest with any item on the Agenda. No conflicts were mentioned.

Approval of Agenda The Agenda was approved as amended by a **motion (Giclas /Gager)**, which passed 5-0.

Public Comments There were no comments from the public.

Approval of Minutes The minutes for the June 21, 2017 Business Meeting were reviewed and approved by a **motion (Giclas/Kennedy)**, which passed 5-0.

Officer Reports

Chairman Director Bucknam reported that dissolved manganese above the action threshold is still present in Chambers Reservoir. ACCWA claims that it doesn't come from the reservoir, so its effect on local wells is not their responsibility.

Vice Chairman Director Gager had no report.

Secretary Mr. Withers had no report.

Treasurer The Board was provided the list of Claims and Financial Statements for the period ending July 19, 2017. There was one claim presented: \$1,155.77 from Colorado Circuit Rider, LLC for professional staff services. Mr. Withers reported that the invoice was in error, having included 1.5 hours from May which the Board had already paid. The Board's **Motion (Giclas/Delaney)** to defer payment of the invoice until the August meeting, when the error will have been corrected. The motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

The July 19, 2017, Schedule of Cash Position showed that the General Fund Balance would have been \$43,694.44, had the one July claim of \$1,097.40 been paid, so the actual ending balance amount is \$44,791.84; however, the corrected invoice of \$902.40 is payable, reducing the effective balance of available funds to \$43,891.44. The June 30, 2017 bank reconciliation was reviewed.

The Treasurer's Report was accepted and the claim paid with a **motion (Giclas/Kennedy)**, which passed by a vote of 5-0.

Old Business

Outreach

Director Kennedy has contacted, Doug Stephenson, Chief Well Inspector for the Colorado Division of Water Resources, who has agreed to do a workshop on well construction. She will send out a message to those who attended the Biennial Meeting, to inquire about specific questions so that Mr. Stephenson can tailor his talk to our needs. The date is TBD, but will be on a Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday in September.

Newsletter #6 is in search of a topic. Possibilities include expanding on topics that readers of the previous newsletters "clicked through" in the email messages. Director Kennedy will update the Board at the August meeting.

CWCB Well-Monitoring Program

Director Bucknam reports that Rhett Everett from USGS is coming up with a cost figure for speaking to well owners on an update to the known water levels from the Well Monitoring Program. The public would be invited at a cost to break even for 50 attendees.

The grant application to continue the Well-Monitoring Program for one more year has been approved by the Colorado Water Conservation Board in the amount of \$49,750; the RWADC match will be \$10,000. Three cheers for Director Gager resounded in the meeting hall.

Recruitment of Directors to Fill Vacancies

There still have been no volunteers yet for the vacant Board positions.

Creation Agreement

The latest version of the Creation Agreement will be sent by Mr. Withers to Ron Beane of the Louviers Water and Sanitation District. Grandview Estates RWCD is ready to sign, and Thunderbird Water and Sanitation District is considering it. The Board approved a **motion (Gager/Kennedy)** to recommend that each Board sign this final draft, or suggest any changes that may be necessary, which passed on a vote of 5-0.

RWADC.org

Mr. Withers said he has been unable to reach Square Space without having an account with them. He collected some information from his own hosting service, BlueHost. They have a “Plus Plan” for \$10.99/mo that offers sufficient email addresses for RWADC use; the “Prime Plan” is the same price if you pay for three years, and domain privacy. WordPress is free with either plan.

To build the site, they offer a “Word Press Live” plan for \$149/mo. With no contract (cancel anytime), during which they hold your hand and walk/talk you through the steps to build your own site. Alternatively, they will build a site for you for \$2000, or free if you sign up for Search Engine Optimization for six months.

New Business:

Douglas County Referrals

The following referral was mentioned as being in process (with Board assignment and due date):
SB2017-023, Hilltop Prelim. Plan (Bucknam, 8/7/17)

Greenland Ranch Groundwater Extraction


The letter Trish Bernhardt sent to Director Kennedy was discussed, and the general reaction of the Board was “What can we do?” Director Kennedy will contact the Governor’s office to see if John Stulp is still the water czar (or whoever is now). Perhaps they have a suggestion of a course of action.

Adjournment

Upon a **motion by Director Giclas, with a second by Director Kennedy**, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m. by a 5-0 vote.

The next regular meeting of the Rural Water Authority of Douglas County shall be held on August 16, 2017 at the Parker Library, in “The Loft,” 10851 Crossroads Drive, Parker, CO at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes approved on August 16, 2017



Geoff Withers, Secretary