

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
RURAL WATER AUTHORITY OF DOUGLAS COUNTY
HELD
February 21, 2018**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Rural Water Authority of Douglas County (RWADC) was held on February 21, 2018, at the Douglas County Phillip S. Miller Building, Conference Rooms A & B, 100 Third St., Castle Rock CO.

Call to Order Director Bucknam called the regular meeting to order at 7:02 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:
Ed Sutton and Jon Jung, owners of an agricultural well near Franktown
Geoff Withers, Secretary to the RWADC Board, Circuit Rider of Colorado

Disclosure of Conflicts Director Bucknam asked if any Board member had a conflict of interest with any item on the Agenda. There were none.

Approval of Agenda The following changes were made to the published Agenda:

- Under New Business, two unknown referrals were made.
- “Web Site” was added to Old Business

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

Public Comments There were none.

Approval of The minutes for the November 15, 2017 Budget Hearing were

Minutes

reviewed, and amended to include Director Delaney as being in attendance. The minutes were approved by a **motion (Gager/Giclas)**, which passed 5-0.

The minutes for the November 15, 2017 Business Meeting were reviewed, and amended to include Director Delaney as being in attendance. The minutes were approved by a **motion (Gager/Delaney)**, which passed 5-0.

Officer Reports

Chairman Director Bucknam reported that Cottonwood WSD's "water expert" meeting is scheduled at their attorney's office in Lakewood on March 15, 2018, and that he will attend. The subject is storage of the District's water in Chambers Reservoir.

Vice Chairman Director Gager had no report.

Secretary Mr. Withers had no report.

Treasurer The Board was provided the List of Claims, and Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Fund Balance for the period ending February 21, 2018. There were two claims presented: \$1,102.92 from Colorado Circuit Rider, LLC for professional staff services, and \$16,584 from US Geological Survey for well-monitoring work.

The Schedule of Cash Position showed a balance as of December 14, 2017 of \$14,226.27. There is a Receivable amount outstanding of \$16,584 from the Colorado Water Conservation Board.

The January 31, 2017 bank reconciliation was reviewed. The Treasurer's Report was accepted and the claims paid with a **motion (Kennedy/Delaney)**, which passed by a vote of 5-0.

Old Business

Possible Uses of Adjudicated Agricultural Water

Mr. Ed Sutton and Mr. Jon Jung referred the Board to the draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) they submitted to the Board on February 5, addressing their interest in working with owners of other unused wells with adjudicated tributary water rights along Cherry Creek in finding ways to better utilize and conserve their water.

They indicated that they intend to approach the Cherry Creek Valley Water Users Association, made up of the owners of wells with a similar status as theirs, namely unused tributary agricultural wells. They are not sure of the current status of that Association. They also

said that it might be possible to deliver water from their area by pipeline for storage in Reuter-Hess Reservoir for its intended use in Douglas County, which would obviate the need for delivery via Cherry Creek. The credibility and abilities of the Rural Water Authority of Douglas County (RWADC) might be useful to such a project.

The Board consented to work with Mr. Sutton and Mr. Jung toward a final MOU, which would have to include the reasons why the Board should feel inclined to participate in the project. It is possible that the project as outlined could relieve some production pressure off the aquifers that otherwise would be adversely affected by increased demand. Therefore, the project would benefit rural well owners by helping to slow the use of water in the aquifers of Douglas County, pursuing the Authority's mission of

“Providing such other services or functions reasonably related to maximizing the life of groundwater resources...”
[Sec. II(C)(v), Creation Agreement]

This perspective was absent from the first draft as submitted, although Mr. Sutton and Mr. Jung agreed that it should be included. They committed to preparing a second draft for the Board's review.

Outreach to Well Owners

Director Kennedy said Newsletter #6 is still in the drafting phase on the subject of “Water Conservation and Rainwater Collection.”

She also reported the previously delayed well owners workshop on well construction and maintenance will be scheduled soon, and she will report to the Board about its arrangements.

CWCB Well-Monitoring Program

Director Gager reported that there is no new information on the well-monitoring program.

Recruitment of Directors to Fill Vacancies

There still have been no qualified volunteers for the vacant Board positions in Districts 3 and 4, Small Water System Provider #2, or the Douglas County at-Large Board position.

Creation Agreement

Mr. Withers has not yet heard from Ron Beane that the Louviers Water and Sanitation District has signed the Revised Creation Agreement. Director Bucknam said he would try to reach Mr. Beane.

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Director Kennedy reports she has not had further discussions with Scot Marion of Admirable Consulting about how much he has done. He has been out of town, and she intends to speak with him next week.

New Business:

Douglas County Referrals

- SD2017-130, Sedalia Industrial Park (Delaney, 1/31)

Adjournment

Upon a **motion by Director Gager, with a second by Director Giclas**, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m. by a 5-0 vote.

The next regular meeting of the Rural Water Authority of Douglas County shall be held on

April 18, 2018 at the
Douglas County Phillip S. Miller Building
Conference Rooms A & B
100 Third St., Castle Rock

Minutes approved on March 21, 2018



Geoff Withers, Secretary