

**Upper Clear Creek Watershed Association
Meeting Minutes
February 10, 2022**

Call to Order/Establish Quorum

A regular meeting of the Upper Clear Creek Watershed Association was called to order at 8:30 am by Chair Kerry Major on February 10, 2022. A quorum was declared established.

Agenda Approval

It was moved and seconded to approve the agenda as presented; motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the January 13, 2022 UCCWA meeting with change under member updates that Henderson may not be able to provide water in the future. They are providing it at this time; motion carried unanimously.

Secretary/Treasurer Report

The following invoices were presented for approval: Kielty Diversified Projects Invoice #534 for \$750.00 and Historic District Public Lands Commission Dues for \$100.00. Total invoices for payment, \$850.00; motion carried unanimously.

Action: Include update on incoming invoices. Attach budget summary with agenda meeting packets.

Referrals

- None received.

Water Quality Incident Reports

- On Friday, January 21st at 4:00 PM Jeffcom 911 gave notice of a vehicle crash into clear creek, highway 6 at mile marker 264. There was no spill.

Presentation

- **Young Ranch Research Quarry** – (Bob Young, Young Ranch) A background on the Ranch and their concept to support maintenance of the Central City Parkway through a construction quarry that would provide an income stream for continued maintenance. They are looking to eliminate the 8% grades. Quarry contours would mirror existing contours of the area at a 2:1 slope. Have done studies on revegetation that would blend back to reforestation based on hillside locations. Conducted wildlife study that included the quarry permit area and 6.5 miles of Young Ranch Parkway frontage. Design includes a Parkway offramp, a Parkway underpass, and a Parkway onramp. Ridge remains in place to shield quarry from recreationists, wildlife viewing, and serves as a wind buffer. Working with Central City to pay road fee that goes into a fund to pay for Parkway maintenance. Anticipate finishing the DRMS review process in the next couple of months then they will submit into the local process. They anticipate the property will be annexed into Central City which will take approximately 6 months. They anticipate the quarry itself will function for 80 years and involve approximately 335 acres over the life of the project.

Other Business

Standing Items:

- **LRE Regulatory Bulletin** (Jessica DiToro) (*Attachment 2*) A regulatory update was in the meeting packet. A summary was provided.
- **Clear Creek Watershed & Forest Health Partnership Update** (Ryan Gilliom)
 - CSM Capstone Project - Preparing for Post-Fire Impacts: Missouri Creek/North Clear Creek Holistic Stream Restoration Project Design (Kerry Major) The City of Golden is the sponsor and Trout Unlimited is a lead project partner. The CSM Senior Design team has been selected. A presentation was provided and is available by request.
- **Integrated Watershed Management Plan** (Ashley Giles) – Not present.

Member Updates

- Colorado Forest Restoration Institute Data Sharing Agreement Executed (Kerry Major) (*Attachment 3*) Critical infrastructure is being added to a Colorado Forest Risk Assessment. UCCWA approved including the Matrix Study data. The agreement has been signed allowing them to add the Pre-Fire Study data to this larger risk assessment data set.

Announcements

- First-round initial proposals are **due Tuesday, March 15, 2022**, for Metro Roundtable WSRF 2022 Cycle 1 Water Supply Reserve Fund (WSRF) Basin Grants. Click on the **[GUIDELINES](#)** for more information on how to submit your initial proposal.
- **MARCH 7-9th, 2022 | Asset Management for Water Utilities.** This introductory course to asset management takes the participants on a visually engaging journey through the broad landscape of asset management concepts. A series of interactive exercises will demonstrate how the concepts are applied into practice in a way that will help Water and Wastewater Utilities design strategies to realize value from their assets. **[Click here for more information and to register.](#)**

Adjournment

Next Meeting: **March 10, 2022**

Adjournment

At 9:42 am, Chair Major adjourned the meeting. The next meeting will be Thursday, March 10, 2022.

Diane Kielty, Secretary/Treasurer

MEMBERS ROLL CALL:

Black Hawk: Jim Ford
Black Hawk/Central City San. Dist.: Jessica DiToro
CDOT: Josh Giovannetti

Central City: Absent

Central Clear Creek San. Dist.: I (opted)
Clear Creek County: Lisa Leben
Clear Creek Ski Corp.: Cindy Olson
Empire: Sally Rush

Georgetown: Ryan Zabel
Gilpin County: Sarah Baciak
Golden: Kerry Major
Henderson Mine: Absent
Idaho Springs: John Curtis
Jefferson County: Pat O'Connell
Molson Coors: Ben Moline
Saddleback: I (opted)

Silver Plume: Absent

St. Mary's Water & San. Dist.: Chris Oeland
Trout Unlimited: Lauren Duncan

OTHERS PRESENT, PER SIGN-IN SHEET:

Diane Kielty, Secretary/Treasurer UCCWA
Bob Young, Young Ranch
Evelyn Rhodes, City of Arvada
Andy Cross, City of Westminster
Trea Nance, City of Westminster
Mary Boardman, CDPHE Superfund
JoAnn Sorensen, Clear Creek County

UCCWA PRESENTATION TOPICS 2022

- **FEBRUARY: BOB YOUNG, YOUNG RANCH RESEARCH QUARRY**
- **MARCH: ALBERT FREI, JR., FREI QUARRY UPDATE**
- **APRIL: JOSH GIOVANNETTI, CDOT UPDATE**
- **MAY: SITE VISIT, MISSOURI CREEK/NORTH CLEAR CREEK PROJECT**
- **JUNE: JONI NUTTLE, CDPHE TMDL 101**
- **TBD: XCEL CABIN CREEK (SITE VISIT) – CHRISTINE JOHNSON**
- **TBD: FRONT RANGE COMMUNITY COLLEGE GIS, TAMMI RENNINGER**
- **TBD: TROUT UNLIMITED PROJECTS UPDATE, LAUREN DUNCAN**