

**Upper Clear Creek Watershed Association
Meeting Minutes
April 14, 2022**

Call to Order/Establish Quorum

A regular meeting of the Upper Clear Creek Watershed Association was called to order at 8:03 am by Chair Kerry Major on April 14, 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 March 10, 2022 UCCWA meeting; motion carried unanimously.

Secretary/Treasurer Report

The following invoices were presented for approval: Clear Creek Consultants invoice #2542 for \$700.00 and Kielty Diversified Projects invoice #540 for \$750.00. Total amount of invoices to be paid \$1,450.00. It was moved and seconded to approve the invoices as presented; motion carried unanimously.

Other Business

There was a request to have an UCCWA member represent the Association in the Floyd Hill Design technical Planning process. John Curtis volunteered to represent UCCWA and Jo Ann Sorensen volunteered as a community member to serve as UCCWA's alternate.

Referrals

- Mount Vernon Country Club Wastewater Treatment Facility Permitting – Derating and New Regulation 84 Discharge. A summary was provided. There were no comments.

Water Quality Incident Reports

- None received.

Presentation

- CDOT Projects Update – Josh Giovannetti & Tamara Burke, CDOT. The I-70 corridor lead is Tamara Burke, CDOT Region 1 Environmental, who provided a project overview. I-70 tolling will begin by May of this year. Concern was expressed about the sterilization of the land along I-70 and Hwy. 40 due to Mag Chloride deicing practices. CDOT is investigating deicing products that had not been applied properly in the past. They are adjusting the application and will continually monitor four Water Quality stations in place going forward. It was recommended that interested parties pay attention to what the Transportation Commission mandates and voicing concerns with that Commission. CDOT representatives will take questions from UCCWA back to CDOT management regarding dead vegetation along the highways and bring responses back to the group. The presentation is available by request.

Other Business

Standing Items:

- LRE Regulatory Bulletin (Jessica DiToro) - UCCWA April 2022 Regulatory Update. LRE will investigate status on 303d listings in the watershed.
- Clear Creek Watershed & Forest Health Partnership Update (Kerry Major & Ryan Gilliom)

- Discussion – UCCWA role as Fiscal Agent on CO Healthy Rivers Fund grant application. An emergency budgetary matter email vote was sent out regarding UCCWA being the fiscal agent for a Colorado Healthy Rivers Fund grant. This is a design and planning grant request for the Missouri Creek Project. There is no construction involved. The UCCWA email vote approved having UCCWA represent the project as Fiscal Agent. The vote needs to be ratified. The grant will pay for UCCWA as Fiscal Agent. Ben Moline made a motion to ratify the vote and was seconded by Ryan Zabel: motion carried unanimously.
- Integrated Watershed Management Plan (Ashley Giles) – There is a meeting this afternoon. Kerry Major will be present and will bring the information back to UCCWA.
- TU Grant Request – UCCWA Community Small Grant Request, Russell Gulch Characterization and Project Planning Lauren Duncan explained the project. The Community Projects Committee will review and make a recommendation to the members at the May UCCWA meeting.
- UCCWA Letter of Support for TU CO Healthy Rivers Fund Grant Submission was provided in the meeting packet.

Member Update

- The Colorado Rural Water Conference will take place the first week in May.

Announcements

- **APRIL 20th, 2022, 9am-12:30pm | Western Slope Virtual Funder Rountables.** Virtual Funder Roundtables are an opportunity to directly engage with staff from foundations and grantmaking agencies of your choosing - to introduce yourself, share a bit about your work, ask questions about fit, and speak to your needs and plans. This three-and-a-half-hour session will provide participating nonprofits and local governments with the opportunity to connect with up to six funders throughout the morning, while providing ample breaks to ensure you can take care and refresh yourselves. They will limit the number of participants to four in each round to ensure meaningful engagement and foster regional relationship building. [Click here to learn more and register.](#)
- **The MAY UCCWA Meeting will be Hybrid. The live location will be at the City of Black Hawk, City Council Chambers, 211 Church Street. It will be a short meeting to conduct general business followed by a site visit to Missouri Creek.**

Adjournment

At 10:02 am, Chair Major adjourned the meeting. The next meeting will be Thursday, May 12, 2022

Diane Kielty, Secretary/Treasurer

MEMBERS ROLL CALL:

Albert Frei & Sons: Al Frei, Jr.
 Black Hawk: Jime Ford
 Black Hawk/Central City San. Dist.: Jessica DiToro
 CDOT: Josh Giovannetti, Tamara Burke
Central City: Absent
 Central Clear Creek San. Dist.: I (opted)
 Clear Creek County: Gary Hague
 Clear Creek Ski Corp.: Cindy Olson
 Empire: Sally Rush
 Georgetown: Ryan Zabel
 Gilpin County: Brad Benning
 Golden: Kerry Major, Brian Tracy
 Henderson Mine: Aaron Hilshorst, Geoff Niggeler
 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
 Andy Cross, City of Westminster
 Trea Nance, City of Westminster
 Mary Boardman, CDPHE Superfund
 Shelley Stanley, City of Northglenn
 Kelly Cline, City of Westminster
 Tara Kratzer, City of Arvada
 Margi Kaspari, Friends of Clear Creek
 Mojo Lucas, Friends of Clear Creek
 Jo Ann Sorensen, Clear Creek Resident