

**Upper Clear Creek Watershed Association  
Meeting Minutes  
April 9, 2020**

**Call to Order/Establish Quorum**

A regular meeting of the Upper Clear Creek Watershed Association was called to order at 8:35 am by Chair Katie Fendel using GoToMeeting on April 9, 2020. 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 12, 2020 meeting; motion carried unanimously.

**Secretary/Treasurer Report**

The following invoices were presented for approval: Kielty Diversified Projects Inv# 469 for \$900.00, Clear Creek Consultants Inv# 2304 for \$1,050.00 and Historic Public Lands Commission Dues for \$100.00. The invoices were within the budgeted/approved limits. It was moved and seconded to approve the invoices for payment totaling \$2,050.00; motion carried unanimously.

**Referrals**

None received.

**Water Quality Incident Reports**

- On March 16th, 2020 at 6:37 pm, Golden dispatch center received information of a possible contamination of the water in Clear Creek east of tunnel 1 due to a vehicle accident.
- On April 5th, 2020 at 1:55 pm, the Golden Police Department dispatch center received information of a possible contamination of the water in Clear Creek east of tunnel 1 due to a vehicle accident.

**Other Business**

- Membership Support Fund and Community Support Project Fund Distribution Policy-Final (In Meeting Packet). TU provided brief description of a community project. They applied to do soil and water quality work in Gilson Gulch. Committee will be ready with a recommendation at the May meeting.
- Pre-Fire Study Update  
Committee is at standstill for now due to Covid-19 restrictions. The next action is a workshop with all members. Committee will check in at the end of April to determine when we can have the workshop post Covid-19. City of Westminster and Town of Golden are close to an IGA agreement for City of Westminster funding support of project. The additional money for an add-on study of fluvial hazard zones and sediment debris flow scenarios post-fire grant from CWCB scope and budget is being revised per feedback from CWCB.
  - Committee needs new representative from Jefferson County. Jefferson will have a person selected from the County soon.

- UCCWA 208 Agency Status
  - 208 Agency document requests made through DORA and DRCOG. Requested a signed Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG) Resolution that established the Upper Clear Creek Basin Association as a Designated Management Agency and a letter or other documentation returned from the Governor that the Governor's Office concurred with the designation of the Upper Clear Creek Basin Association as a Designated Management Agency (agency/instrument of the United States under the Clean Water Act). Other organization structure options were summarized in the meeting packet and was presented. Input on the 3 suggestions were split on the value of changing UCCWA organizational framework.

**Action:** Input from Jeffco and Town of Golden legal on what it would take to change UCCWA structure.

**Action:** UCCWA Secretary research Governor's designation further.

### Member Updates

- Dan Wolf has resigned. Idaho Springs is looking for a replacement. The project is moving forward. The Road & Bridge Superintendent has taken the lead on the project. John Curtis will check and confirm that IS has a direct line with the Hidden Valley plant to ensure communication continues to take place.
- St. Mary's WSD had 14 contractors at their pre-bid meeting for upcoming projects. They will be selecting a contractor in the next few weeks.

### Announcements

- National Watershed and Stormwater Conference will be a robust **online format** that will allow for wider participation during the same time that the original conference was scheduled. Find out more about the conference [HERE](#).
- **JULY 23rd & 24th, 2020: Certified Stormwater Inspector (Municipal) Training | National Stormwater Center | 8:30 - 4:30 p.m. | Denver, CO.** All classes are subject to be changed to online delivery via interactive webinars. Designed specifically for municipal personnel, this course offers training and certification to demonstrate, for the record, that inspectors are qualified. You will receive a discount of \$50.00 for registration forms submitted 30 days or more prior to the training date. Payment is not due at the time of registration. Please download the announcement [HERE](#) with course details and registration information. Graduates of the Certified Stormwater Inspector course receive certification for 5 years and continuing education units, and ongoing, unlimited support of the National Stormwater Center. Register [HERE](#).

### Adjournment

At 9:41 am, Chair Fendel adjourned the meeting. The next meeting will be Thursday, May 14, 2020.

*Diane Kielty, Secretary/Treasurer*

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#### MEMBERS ROLL CALL:

Black Hawk: Jim Ford  
 Black Hawk/Central City San. Dist.: Katie Fendel  
 CDOT: Josh Giovannetti  
 Central City: Absent  
 Central Clear Creek San. Dist.: I (opted)

Clear Creek County: Absent  
 Clear Creek Ski Corp.: Absent  
 Empire: Absent  
 Georgetown: Ryan Zabel  
 Gilpin County: Absent  
 Golden: Stephanie Crabtree, Kerry Major

Henderson Mine: Aaron Hilshorst  
Idaho Springs: John Curtis  
Jefferson County: Patrick O'Connell  
Molson Coors: Ben Moline  
Saddleback: I (opted)  
Silver Plume: Absent  
St. Mary's Water & San. Dist.: Chris Oeland

**OTHERS PRESENT, PER SIGN-IN SHEET:**

Diane Kielty, Secretary/Treasurer UCCWA  
Tara Kratzer, City of Arvada  
Shelley Standly, City of Northglenn  
Tom Matthews, US Forest Service  
Lauren Duncan, Trout Unlimited  
Andy Cross, City of Westminster  
Trea Nance, City of Westminster  
Mary Boardman, CDPHE Superfund  
Karl Gulau