

**Upper Clear Creek Watershed Association
Meeting Minutes
October 13, 2022**

Call to Order/Establish Quorum

A regular meeting of the Upper Clear Creek Watershed Association was called to order at 8:31 am by Chair Kerry Major on October 13, 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 September 8, 2022, UCCWA meeting; motion carried unanimously.

Secretary/Treasurer Report

The following invoice was presented for approval: Kielty Diversified Projects Invoice #562 for \$750.00. Motion made to approve KDP invoice #562 for payment for \$750.00; motion carried unanimously.

Referrals

- Field House Private Lift Station Clear Creek County, Diamondback Engineering & Surveying
The question of emergency backup power was fielded by the proponent at the Idaho Springs presentation. They do not have an answer to this need currently. UCCWA has until November 14, 2022, to respond.

Water Quality Incident Reports

- None received.

Other Business

- UCCWA Letter of Support for Clear Creek County USDA Forest Service Community Wildfire Defense grant application was approved and sent to Clear Creek County.
- Clear Creek County Call-Down List Update (Lisa Leben) – Suzanne Boccia will be the Clear Creek County call-down list lead. Golden dispatch moved into Jeffcom. Notifications are made to respective systems and those centers are to contact the other systems when call-downs come in. This step should be added to the checklist for the system. The Jeffcom system has a very limited list. The larger list has been truncated. The Jeffcom call-list needs to add Clear Creek and Gilpin. Entities lower entities in the watershed would like to have the full contact list to ensure ditch companies and others are informed. Flush out old list and compare to new list and locate new contacts. Ben Moline confirmed Jeffcom tests their system. UCCWA members Ben Moline, Brad Benning, along with Shelley Stanley, City of Northglenn, will communicate with jurisdictions to ensure call-down systems are in contact.

Action: UCCWA contact the offices of emergency response in each county and invite to present at UCCWA.

Action: Ben Moline will send Jeffcom contact person to Lisa Leben for Suzanne Boccia with CC dispatch. Lisa Leben will get Suzanne Boccia's contact info to Shelley Stanley and Andy Cross for invoicing on call-down.

Action: Shelley Stanley volunteered to take the new list and compare to old list. This will be brought back to group and be cleaned up to provide to Jeffcom.

Action: Create process and contact diagram for UCCWA reference.

- 2023 Budget Committee Update (Pat O’Connell) – Committee is continuing to review and by the November meeting will have suggestions to bring to the members.
- 2023 Nomination Committee Update (Ben Moline) – Brad Benning has agreed to continue to as Chair and Geoff Niggeler is standing for Vice-Chair.
- 2021 Annual Report presentation to the Water Quality Control Commission December Meeting **will be virtual only** on Dec 12, 2022 at 9:00 am. We are provided 20 – 30 minutes. Generally present for 15 – 20 allowing 5 minutes to field questions. UCCWA member Ben Moline will work with John Winterton to add UCCWA slides to the presentation. The presentation PowerPoint needs to be given to the Commission two weeks before the meeting. The call-down list and household hazardous waste programs are elements included in the past. Four slides are a good number of slides for UCCWA to present.

Member Updates

Standing Items:

- LRE Regulatory Bulletin (Jessica DiToro) –The memo with links was provided in the meeting packet. A review of the highlights relevant to UCCWA was presented. Request to include in the next update the status on the periphyton issue, specifically downstream of wastewater plant outfalls. Recommend treatment plants take photos of this periodically. There is a small growing season. Only 3 or 4 photographs would need to be taken. This is attached algae on rocks, etc., not a plant. Mostly it is an aesthetic standard with a short growing season. One sample can be pulled by the Division and used to be put on the monitoring and evaluation list.
- Clear Creek Watershed & Forest Health Partnership Update (Diane Kielty) – CCWFHP is preparing for the next field reconnaissance to the Empire corridor of projects on October 18th. The Bakerville to Silver Plume corridor of projects (from the Wildfire Study) are in the scoping phase. The Partnership MOU is in place and the Partnership has their bylaws close to finalized.
- Integrated Watershed Management Plan (Ashley Giles) – No report.
- CDPHE Stormwater Weblink: [Notice of Responsive comment period for Stormwater Discharges Associated with Active and Inactive Mining Industrial Activity COR040000](#).
- Brad Benning has been working with Diane Kielty to develop a template and terms and conditions for UCCWA Small Projects Grants. This template will be sent to the membership for review.
- CSM will present the Missouri Creek Project at the November UCCWA meeting.

Announcements

- [October 20th, 2022, 12-1:15pm | Stream Management Plans: 101 | River Network](#). Join River Network and the Colorado Water Conservation Board to learn the basics of Stream Management Planning. Stream Management Plans (SMPs) are a priority activity in Colorado as a result of the state’s 2015 Water Plan, which called for 80% of locally prioritized streams to have an SMP by 2030.
- Non-standard MS4 Permit PDD Template and Program Strategy Templates. SPLASH members and SEMSWA worked with CP Compliance to create resources to educate permittees. It may also assist permittees with implementation of the new Non-standard MS4 Permit. Please click [HERE](#) to access the material.

- [October 26th, 2022, 9am-4pm | 2022 Water Conservation Symposium | Colorado WaterWise.](#) Colorado WaterWise invites you to the 2022 Water Conservation Symposium! Join more than 100 other water professionals from across Colorado for a day packed with networking, professional development, and engagement. Don't miss out on the early bird pricing for both members and non-members.

Adjournment

At 9:39 am, Chair Kerry Major adjourned the meeting. The next meeting will be Thursday, November 10, 2022.

Diane Kielty, Secretary/Treasurer

MEMBERS ROLL CALL:

Albert Frei & Sons: Absent
 Black Hawk: Jessica DiToro
 Black Hawk/Central City San. Dist.: Jessica DiToro
 CDOT: Absent
 Central City: Absent
 Central Clear Creek San. Dist.: I (opted)
 Clear Creek County: Lisa Leben
 Clear Creek Ski Corp.: Cindy Olson
 Empire: Absent
 Georgetown: Ryan Zabel
 Gilpin County: Brad Benning
 Golden: Kerry Major
 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: Absent

OTHERS PRESENT, PER SIGN-IN SHEET:

Diane Kielty, Secretary/Treasurer UCCWA
 Shelley Stanley, City of Northglenn
 Andy Cross, City of Westminster