

**Upper Clear Creek Watershed Association
Meeting Minutes
September 9, 2021**

Call to Order/Establish Quorum

A regular meeting of the Upper Clear Creek Watershed Association was called to order at 8:32 am by Chair Ben Moline in GoToMeeting September 9, 2021. A quorum was declared established.

Agenda Approval

It was moved and seconded to approve the agenda with the addition of an update on the Colorado Forest Restoration Institute QRA for the Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests and sharing fire planning study data in Other Business; motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the August 12, 2021 UCCWA meeting; motion carried unanimously.

Secretary/Treasurer Report

The following invoices were presented for approval: Kielty Diversified Projects invoice #519 for \$600.00 and Clear Creek Consultants invoice #2485 for \$990.00. The invoices were within the budgeted/approved limits. It was moved and seconded to approve the invoices for payment totaling \$1,590.00; motion carried unanimously.

Referrals

- Clear Creek County's Short Term Rental Regulations update to the existing regulations referral was received. This information will be sent to the membership.

Water Quality Incident Reports

- None received.

Presentations

- **2020 Clear Creek/Standley Lake Watershed Agreement Annual WQ Report** – Shelley Stanley, City of Northglenn and Trea Nance, City of Westminster. Presentation is available by request.

Other Business

- **Appoint Budget Committee for 2022**
 - Funding to monitor road salt application along the I-70 corridor
 - Funding to receive monthly CDPHE regulatory/funding bulletins
 - Refund Status for 2021

Committee: Ben Moline, John Curtis, Patrick O'Connell

- **Appoint Nominating Committee for 2022**

Committee: Ben Moline, Brad Benning, Kerry Major, John Curtis

- **Colorado Forest Restoration Institute QRA for the Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests.** An Assessment is being conducted for the USFS and would help get areas within the

watershed that could impact our critical infrastructure on the USFS radar for future mitigation efforts. This study also goes further into fire modeling, which was not a huge part of the Matrix study and could benefit UCCWA members who could use this assessment for member modeling. CFRI understands the sensitive nature of the critical infrastructure data and it would only be used privately and internally with CRFI as they conduct the assessment.

A motion was made by Kerry Major to share the fire study data with CRFI that would include a confidentiality agreement and second by Brad Benning; motion approved unanimously.

Announcements

- **OCTOBER 5TH - 7TH, 2021: 2021 SUSTAINING COLORADO WATERSHEDS CONFERENCE “TOGETHER LIKE NEVER BEFORE” Hybrid Virtual & Live Event at the WESTIN in AVON COLORADO.** The conference will cover a cross-section of topics ranging from forest health to flood risk management, stakeholder outreach to climate change, streamflow protection to protecting private lands, river restoration to stormwater management, project permitting to water quality protection, and all aspects of adaptation. **Click here for information and to register.**
- **The Clean Water Certificate (CWC)** training program for workforce development provides high quality training opportunities that promotes job growth in the stormwater industry and delivers industry-specific, job-readiness skills and knowledge. Click [HERE](#) to learn more about this training program offered by the **Center for Watershed Protection.**

Member Updates

- October meeting will be field visit to Golden portion of Peaks-to-Plains project. We will meet at a Golden office for a hybrid business meeting. Information will be provided. The UCCWA business meeting will be followed by a walk to the trail.

Adjournment

At 9:45 am, Chair Moline adjourned the meeting. The next meeting will be Thursday, October 14, 2021.

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: Gary Hague, Lisa Leben
Clear Creek Ski Corp.: Cindy Olson
Empire: Absent
Georgetown: Absent
Gilpin County: Brad Benning
Golden: Kerry Major
Henderson Mine: Geoffrey Niggeler, 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
Trout Unlimited: Lauren Duncan

OTHERS PRESENT, PER SIGN-IN SHEET:

Diane Kielty, Secretary/Treasurer UCCWA
Andrew Cross – City of Westminster
Trea Nance – City of Westminster
Evelyn Rhodes, City of Arvada
John Winterton – City of Northglenn
Emily Vonhagen – City of Northglenn
Allison Rhea – CO Forest Service