

**Fountain Creek Watershed, Flood Control and Greenway District
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**

June 27, 2014

The meeting was held at: City of Pueblo City Hall, City Council Chambers, 3rd Floor,
1 City Hall Place, Pueblo, CO 81003

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

Chair Montoya called the meeting to order at 1:15 pm. In attendance were the following duly designated members of the Board of Directors of the District:

Name:

Ferris Frost	Alternate CAG Liaison
Val Snider	City of Colorado Springs
Jane Rhodes	Fountain Creek Land Owner
Eva Montoya	City of Pueblo
Melissa Esquibel	Lower Arkansas
Dennis Hisey	El Paso County
Gabriel Ortega	City of Fountain

Excused:

Michael Maddox	EPC Small Municipalities
Terry Hart	Pueblo County

A quorum was noted. Also present was Larry Small, Executive Director and Cole Emmons, Attorney.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Upon motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the agenda was approved.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MAY 23, 2014 BOARD MEETING

Upon motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the minutes were approved.

4 PRESENTATION – COLORADO SPRINGS UTILITIES WATER PLAN, LEON BASDEKAS

Leon Basdekas presented the Colorado Springs Utilities Integrated Water Resources Plan. His presentation covered Water planning and the system today; Why now; Purpose and goals; Key factors affecting Colorado Springs water resources: IWRP opportunities: Technical analysis overview; and public and stakeholder involvement. He stated that CSU has an excellent system today due to past planning and steady implementation of water projects since the City was founded. CSU relies on a complex system of water storage, transport and treatment to bring water from where it falls to where it is used. Approximately 70% of CSU water comes from over the Continental Divide from the Colorado River basin. The water is transported from as far

away as 100 miles west of the city. He stated that the main recommendations of the 1996 Water Resources Plan have been completed. He stated that the 2014 plan is a Road map for the future 50+ years and examines water supply, water demand, water quality, infrastructure, energy, regulatory and legal issues, public opinion. He Stated that the IWRP goals are to ensure customers have a continued sustainable, long-term water supply; ensure resilient and reliable water supply; Deliver water cost effectively; Deliver water in an environmentally responsible manner; and Develop a plan that is acceptable and explainable to customers.

Chris Woodka asked if the report is going to get in to options of reuse or new water that were subjects of the 1996 plan. Mr. Basdekas responded that it would.

Scott Hobson asked how this plan will be integrated with the State Water Plan. Mr. Basdekas stated that the State Water plan would be used as input to this plan but they were separate and independent plans.

4. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Director Esquibel stated that the Lower Ark Board was concerned about the District's use of the IGA funds and offered to have the Lower Ark attorney brief the District Board on the terms and conditions of the IGA. Chair Montoya stated that she had heard of the issues and agreed that they needed attention. Director Snider stated that he and Director Hart, when Director Hart returned from his trip, would set up a meeting between District Board members and Lower Ark Board members to discuss the issues. Chair Montoya stated that she agreed with that approach.

Director Snider stated that the El Paso County Stormwater Taskforce work continues to develop a ballot question and an Intergovernmental Agreement for the proposed Regional Stormwater Authority. He stated that the objective remained to have a question on the November 2014 ballot in El Paso County.

Chair Montoya stated that she was concerned with the amount of debris in Fountain Creek and would like to see all the communities have a plan for debris removal.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Anthony Nunez, former Pueblo County Commissioner and currently a member of the Lower Ark Board stated that the Lower Ark Board was concerned that IGA funds were being used without going through the IGA Steering Committee. He stated that those funds and the SDS funds belonged to Pueblo for the benefit of Pueblo and he was concerned about the use of those funds in El Paso County. He supported a meeting between the District Board and the Lower Ark Board to review this issue.

7. REGULAR REPORTS

7. A TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

The TAC did not meet June 4, 2014 and the TAC meeting scheduled for July 2, 2014 is cancelled.

The next TAC meeting is scheduled for August 6, 2014 at 1:00 PM at Fountain City Hall.

7. B CITIZENS ADVISORY GROUP

Irene Kornelly reported that the CAG met June 13, 2014 at the Fountain City Hall. She reported that the CAG discussed the current activities of the El Paso County Stormwater Task Force. She stated that the CAG would receive a briefing at the next meeting on the Frost Ranch Bank Restoration Project and the El Paso County Fire and flood recovery efforts.

Ms. Kornelly reported that the Outreach Subcommittee met June 16, 2014. She stated that Outreach Subcommittee was planning to have a one day booth at the El Paso County Fair. She stated that the Outreach Committee was planning a nine day creek cleanup event the last Saturday of September through the first Sunday in October. She stated that groups across the Fountain Creek Watershed would be encouraged to select the creek they wanted to clean up. Ms. Kornelly stated that the Outreach Subcommittee was looking at future projects and had considered the State Fair, but felt that the need to man a booth during the full fair was not feasible.

The next CAG meeting will be July 11, 2014 at 9:30 am at the Fountain City Hall.

The next Outreach Subcommittee meeting will be July 14, 2014 at 10:00 am at Fountain City Hall.

7. C FINANCIAL REPORT

Larry Small presented the Fountain Creek District Balance Sheet as of May 31, 2014. The District had total assets of \$228,568.11 and total liabilities of \$35,852.25. Profit and Loss Budget vs. Actual report for the period January 1, 2014 through May 31, 2014 indicated total revenues were \$165,285.45 and total expenses were \$165,013.26 for a net income of \$272.17 resulting in a District total equity of \$192,715.86. The General Fund cash on hand as of May 31, 2014 was \$106,420 and the Restricted Fund cash on hand was \$85,140. The total cash on hand was \$191,560.

7. D LEGAL REPORT - None

7. E EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Larry Small reported that he attended the Arkansas Basin Water Forum in Colorado Springs on June 3. He stated that this was the opportunity for citizens to give input on the State Water Plan. He reported that he attended a CDOT public open house for the I-25/Cimmaron Interchange on June 3. He reported that he attended the Arkansas Basin Roundtable on June 11 in Pueblo. He reported that he attended the Colorado Springs Mayors State of the City luncheon on June 12. The Mayor presented his plan for a future ballot issue to fund infrastructure and stormwater

improvements in Colorado Springs. His plan was in competition with the El Paso County Stormwater Task Force plan. He reported that he attended the Waldo Recovery Group meeting on June 16 and with Graham Thompson gave a presentation on the Upper Fountain Creek/Cheyenne Creek Watershed Restoration Master Plan grant. He reported that he attended a meeting in Longmont on June 18 sponsored by CWCB where the ten coalitions who received Watershed Restoration Master Plan grants could share their approach to planning for corrective actions to deal with the flooding of 2013. He stated that he presented the Evaluation of Flood Control Alternatives for the Fountain Creek Corridor WSRA grant application to the Arkansas Basin Roundtable Needs Assessment Committee on June 20 and received good suggestions to strengthen the application. He reported that he attended the State Highway Research Planning meeting on June 23 and provided input on waterway needs associated with future State Highway projects. He reported that he attended the El Paso County Stormwater Task Force meeting on June 26 where the plan for the IGA, ballot question and public outreach was presented.

8. 0 OLD BUSINESS (BOARD ACTION MAY BE REQUIRED) - None

9. NEW BUSINESS (Board Action Required) - None

10. OTHER BUSINESS

10. A APPROVAL OF INVOICES

**Presented for Payment
6/27/2014**

General Fund				
<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>For</u>
Larry Small				
	06/06/14	120	\$2,500.00	Frost Ranch Grant Project Management
Matrix Design Group				
	04/24/14	14769	\$5,893.50	Frost Ranch Grant Engineering
	05/30/14	14877	\$8,307.00	Frost Ranch Grant Engineering
	05/08/14	14809	\$3,750.50	Frost Ranch Grant Engineering
		TOTAL	\$17,951.00	
Aztec General Contractors, LLC				
	04/30/14	AZ14-03A-2	\$15,048.00	Frost Ranch Bank Reconstruction
TOTAL - General Fund			\$35,499.00	

Master Plan Fund				
<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>For</u>
Matrix Design Group				
	5/30/2014	14877	\$2,853.25	Frost Ranch Grant Engineering
TOTAL – Master Plan Fund			\$2,853.25	

Upon motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the invoices were approved for payment as presented.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF REQUIRED) - None

12. CONFIRM NEXT MEETING TIME AND LOCATION

Chair Montoya stated that the next Board meeting will be held July 25, 2014 at 1:00 pm at the Lower Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District office at 801 Swink, Rocky Ford, Co 81067.

13. ADJOURN

Upon motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.