

Fountain Creek Watershed, Flood Control and Greenway District
Citizens Advisory Group
Meeting Minutes
June 8, 2012

The meeting was held at:
Manitou Springs City Hall
606 Manitou Ave, Council Meeting Room
Manitou Springs, CO

This meeting was not recorded.

1. Call to Order, Establish Quorum and Introductions

The June 8, 2012 meeting of the Fountain Creek Watershed Citizens Advisory Group (“CAG”) was called to order by Chairperson, Mr Terry Hart, at approximately 9:35am. In attendance were the following designated members of the CAG:

Terry Hart – Chairperson	Mary Barber
Ross Vincent	Tom Ready
Dieter Erdmann	Carol Baker

Richard Skorman – CAG Representative to the Fountain Creek Watershed, Flood Control and Greenway District (“FCWD”) Governing Board
Ferris Frost – Alternate CAG Representative to the FCWD Governing Board

Members not present:

Vice Chairperson – Irene Kornelly	Jack Wallick
Vance Clifton	Dan Henrichs
Yvette Valdez-Trujillo	Elaine Kleckner

Mr Larry Small, Executive Director was also in attendance.

A quorum was noted at approximately 0945.

2. Approve Agenda of June 8, 2012 Meeting

Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the June 8, 2012 agenda was approved.

3. Approve Minutes of Prior Meeting(s)

Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the May 11, 2012 minutes were approved.

4. Reports

a. Governing Board Meeting. Mr Hart and Mr Small reported the Governing Board:
-Discussed the mil levy and public polling. The Board has not settled yet on whether or not to move forward with a ballot initiative in 2013. At the direction of the Board Mr Small and Mr Skorman will meet with the Trust for Public Land, Conservation Finance Program, who may be able to assist with financing the ballot initiative. See also Item 5.b.

- Conducted routine business.
- Discussed the role of the CAG relative to the ballot initiative, which requires clarification from the Board as to the timing and strategies for public education and outreach.
- An updated FCWD presentation is on the website for anyone to view or use.

b. TAC/CAG Joint Meeting. Mr Hart, Ms Barber and Ms Frost attended the Technical Advisory Committee (“TAC”) and joint meeting and reported:

- The TAC conducted normal business.
- The joint meeting agenda item consisted of a presentation by Mr Graham Thompson, Matrix Design Group, on the draft Fountain Creek Watershed Policy Evaluation Report and a discussion about the upcoming workshop. Upon completion of the workshop and report, the grant will be closed out. Members discussed or commented on:
 - Enforcement of land use and storm water policies;
 - Commitment by governmental bodies to the policies;
 - The criteria manual as a tool for engineering watershed protections;
 - Incentives/Disincentives;
 - New and redevelopment compared to existing development mitigation;
 - Desired outcomes for the June 20, 2012 workshop at 2:00pm, Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments (“PPACG”);
 - Integration of engineering with site planning;
 - Education/Outreach of technical personnel, government staff and policymakers, and the general public;
 - Maintenance of infrastructure;
 - All jurisdictions within the District participating in development of the manual and their potential for adopting the criteria;
 - Potential for future spin-off projects via Intergovernmental Agreement.

c. Outreach Group. Nothing to report; June meeting cancelled.

d. Oil and Gas Exploration Subcommittee. Ms Frost reported the Colorado Springs Oil and Gas Exploration Subcommittee will be meeting with City Council on June 26th, purpose unknown. The subcommittee has been reviewing Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (“COGCC”) regulations and trying to determine what can be regulated at the city level. The area of most concern is the inability to regulate the industry because of pre-emption by the State especially water monitoring relative to both constituents and timeframes for testing. Ultra Petroleum’s areas of interest lie within the Sand and Jimmy Camp Creek basins. The CAG will continue to monitor governmental, exploration and drilling activities.

e. Website Working Group. Mr Jeff Besse is administering the website and continuing to work on content.

5. Current Business

a. Sediment Collector Pilot Project Status: Mr John McArthur presented to the Pueblo County Commissioners per Mr Hart. Mr McArthur made several recommendations for future projects involving the sediment collector. The pilot project began in July 2011 and will conclude in August 2012. The project data should be adequate for assessing the collection system. The City of Pueblo will need to prepare a report to close out the grant. The City will decide whether to continue to operate the collector or not. Mr Hart will request a presentation on the project after August.

b. Ballot Question. Also discussed under Item 4.a. Points of discussion included when the initiative might be on the ballot; funding for the FCWD for polling and other costs; whether there should be (or must be for legal reasons) separate ballot questions for jurisdictional storm water management or a single ballot question with the District distributing funds to storm water control agencies; the roles of governmental entities to control storm water compared to the role of FCWD to achieve healthy and safe waterways throughout the watershed. Additional discussion will be needed.

6. Other Business: None

7. Public Comment: None

8. Executive Session: None Required

9. Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled CAG meeting will be July 13, 2012, 9:30am, currently planned in Avondale followed by a tour.

10. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:55 am.