

Fountain Creek Watershed, Flood Control and Greenway District
Technical Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 7, 2016 – 1:00 PM

1. Call to Order and Introductions: The meeting was held at Fountain City Hall, 116 S. Main Street, Fountain, Colorado. A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 1:03 p.m.

Joan Armstrong	Pueblo County Planning & Development
Jeff Bailey	City of Pueblo, Stormwater
John Chavez	El Paso County, Stormwater
Pat Coffee	Pueblo County Engineering
Peter Galusky	PPACG
Sarah Hartley	City of Manitou Springs
Jim Heckman	Fountain Sanitation District, Wastewater
Nancy Keller	City of Pueblo, Water Quality
Elaine Kleckner	El Paso County Community Services Parks
Irene Kornelly	Citizen's Advisory Committee
Greg Langer	NRCS
Dennis Maroney	Pueblo Conservancy District
Brian Mihlbachler	USAF Academy
Richard Mulledy	City of Colorado Springs, Stormwater
Mark Shea	Colorado Springs Utilities, Watershed Planning
Brandy Williams	City of Fountain, Engineering

Others in Attendance:

- Larry Small, District Manager
- Dan Bare, Matrix Design Group
- Allison Mosser, Colorado Springs Utilities
- Jerod Barnett, Colorado Springs Utilities
- Brian McCormick, Colorado Springs Utilities
- Kurt Condie, Colorado Springs Utilities
- Jay Frost, Frost Ranch
- Ann Hanna, Hanna Ranch
- Margaret Radford, Colorado Springs Utilities
- Joseph Rassmussen, Colorado Springs Utilities
- Julie Gamec, THK Associates, Inc.
- Barbara Biggs, CDM Smith
- Kevin Shanks THK Associates, Inc.

2. Approve Agenda: Mark Shea requested that the agenda be amended so that item 7a.- Frost Ranch Fountain Creek Diversion Project - be heard before item 4. A motion was made by Irene Kornelly to approve the agenda of the December 7th meeting with the change, it was seconded by John Chavez, and approved by unanimous vote.

3. Approved Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes with a change to the last sentence on Page 1 (participates changed to participants), was made by Jim Heckman, seconded by Mark Shea, and approved by unanimous vote.

4. Presentations - none

5. Reports

- a. The Governing Board did not meet in November.
- b. The CAG meeting was held November 18. Creek Week was discussed. The CAG recommended approval of the Frost Ranch Fountain Creek Diversion Project. Rich Skorman was named CAG representative to the District Board with Mary Barber named as his alternate. The Greenway fund will finance an intern from Colorado College to help Allison Plute.
- c. The Monetary Mitigation Committee met November 16 at the office of Matrix. They had a presentation on what methodology was used to rank projects. The issues at Highway 47 in Pueblo were discussed and it appears that it needs to be a District/CDOT/City of Pueblo project. It was decided that the WARSSS assessment needs to be periodically updated - probably on a project by project basis.
- d. AFCURE – Pete Galusky said that all data has been received and is currently being compiled. He anticipates having a draft report at the end of January. Mark Shea continues meeting with stakeholders and is getting good participation. Jordan Harmon with Metro gave a presentation at the last stakeholder’s meeting.
- e. Projects Updates:
 - i. The Monument Creek Restoration Master Plan is complete and has been approved by the Board. A presentation to the TAC will be scheduled for the January meeting.
 - ii. Evaluation of Flood Control Alternatives – a meeting was held at the Southern Colorado Conservancy District on November 21. 47 attended. The report should be substantially completed by the end of December and ready for the last meeting scheduled for January 16. The grant ends January 31.
 - iii. WARSSS – There is a project meeting scheduled next week. The risk analysis is completed for the top 5 projects. This project should be completed in March.
 - iv. District Drainage Criteria Manual & Floodplain Policy – Dan Bare with Matrix provided a project update handout that contained a list of MS4’s, key points previously discussed and revegetation information. Some non-standard MS4’s needed to be added to the list. Julie Gamec with THK Associates gave a presentation on what is being looked at as far as revegetation. Seasonal seed mixture requirements are being considered and consideration for seasonal shrubs will be added. Bare said that other forms of stabilization will be discussed in a chapter specific to stabilization.

6. New Business

- a. There was lengthy discussion on the TAC bylaws and the role of the TAC in the district. After the discussion failed to come to a resolution of the issues Pete Galusky made a motion to schedule this for a 30-minute time slot at the January meeting. John Chavez seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
- b. In January the District will need to appoint the 2017 TAC members. Mark Shea said at this time he believed Kevin Niles, Arkansas Groundwater Users Association, would be leaving the TAC and would not have a replacement. Susie Rohrs, Ft. Carson Stormwater, will be replaced by Chip Hahn. Nancy Keller will name her replacement and Nancy will become the alternate. Kim Gortz, CSU and currently the alternate for Mark Shea, wishes to come on as a full member due to her expertise in revegetation matters. Brandy Williams, City of Fountain (replacing Duane Greenwood), said her alternate would be Jeremy Fulks. These and any other changes need to go before the District Board in January. A list of additional items to be addressed at the January meeting is located in the TAC by-laws.

7. Old Business

- a. A presentation was given on the Frost Ranch Fountain Creek Diversion Project by Joseph Rasmussen, CSU. A copy of the PowerPoint slides and construction plans were handed out. The project consists of a permanent structure in the creek that will provide a diversion structure for Frost Ranch water. It will replace the current practice of continually building "sand" diversions in the creek thus helping to reduce sediment from those sand structures and provide easier maintenance. It will also provide a fish ladder to help with migration. The project was redesigned from a gravity feed system to a system with a pump in order to reduce the size of the ditch and reduce impact to the Hanna Ranch. It is estimated to cost \$2 million dollars and will have a life span of 50 years. The contract will include a two-year warranty on the work. The final product will be owned and maintained by Jay Frost. A motion was made by Richard Mulledy to approve the project with a second by Jim Heckman. Mark Shea recused himself. The motion was passed with one opposed.
- b. Discussion needs to be had on what type of document the TAC uses for project applications. Mulledy will provide information from the City of Colorado Springs. CWCB does have standards as well that should be reviewed for use by the TAC. Mark Shea will send out additional information with the January addenda and it will be scheduled for discussion at the next TAC meeting.

8. Future Business – Larry Small will give a presentation on the Monument Creek Restoration Master Plan in January. Richard Mulledy will give a presentation on Colorado Springs Stormwater possibly in February.

9. Public Comment - none

10. The next meeting will be held on January 4, 2017 at 1:00 pm at Fountain City Hall.

11. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Pete Galusky, seconded by John Chavez, approved by unanimous vote. The meeting adjourned at 3:28 pm.