



## CHATFIELD WATERSHED AUTHORITY

### Board Meeting Summary November 19, 2008

Member  
ATTENDEES:

Larry Moore (Roxborough)	Patrick O'Connell (Jeff. Co.)
Don Moore (Douglas C. C.)	David Van Dellen (Castle Rock)
Steve Koster (Douglas County)	Bob Deeds (Littleton)
Ronda Sandquist (Dominion, Jackson Creek))	Kevin Urie (DWD)
Tim Friday(Castle Rock)	Penny Wilkinson (Lockheed Martin)
Steve Boand (Douglas County)	
Martha Hahn (PCWA, Castle Pines)	
Diana Miller (Louviere, Perry Park)	
Robert Estes (Sedalia)	
Ed Church (Sacred Heart)	

OTHER ATTENDEES: Bill Broderick (DRCOG)  
Hope Yu (Tri-County)  
Amy Conklin (CWA Management Team)  
Julie Vlier (CWA Management Team)  
Lisa Knerr (CWA Management Team)

#### **Call to Order:**

**The Management Team requested an amendment to the Agenda to include an Executive Session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(3)(a) to develop strategy for the upcoming Rulemaking Hearing before the WQCC as the last order of business on the agenda.**

**Approval of October 22nd 2008 Meeting Summary:** Ronda Sandquist moved and Larry Moore seconded approval of the meeting summary with the addition of Bob Deeds to the list of attendees. The vote to approve was unanimous.

**Approval of Invoices:** Bob Deeds moved and Larry Moore seconded approval of the invoices from Tetra Tech, Commodore Advanced Sciences, and the invoices from GEI. The vote was unanimous.

#### **New Business:**

**Update on Proposal for Rulemaking Hearing in November –** The management team reported that the Commission had reopened the issue to receive input on what the TMAL should be, based on a chlorophyll standard of 13 and a TP standard of 35. This was a very positive development, meaning that there was movement towards a compromise in the rule-making process. Ronda Sandquist did a superb job assembling outstanding experts and testimony. Steve Boand repeated the Authority's offer to compromise which the Commission embraced. Many Authority members showed up in the audience for support and it all made a difference. If there was ever a demonstration of the relevancy and importance of having a watershed authority for the Chatfield basin it was during the hearing.

Ronda Sandquist reported that it was very good to have so many members show up. The WQCC had directed parties to come back and recommend TMAL. She distributed a summary of the WQCC action. She stated that she would need to discuss how to address responding to the TMAL request in Executive Session. She encouraged all the members to attend the WQCC meeting on December 8<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 am. The Management Team was directed to send out a reminder notice to members urging them to attend the hearing. It was also suggested that the draft summary from WQCC web page to our records.

Larry Moore thanked Steve Boand, in particular. Tim Friday worked up potential costs from a restrictive TMAL. Once the rulemaking complete we should consider posting to the web page an analysis of the potential costs. The management team will also renew an invitation to The Division of Wildlife to attend our meetings.

## **Budget–**

### **A.**

#### **Budget**

- a. **Amendment**–A motion was made to move \$2,000 from contingency to the Tetra Tech line item under Rule-making support by Larry Moore, seconded by Steve Boand. The vote was unanimous.
- b. **Membership in CLRMA and CWA** - --The Board approved including \$135 in the 2009 budget to join both groups for one year with the money to come out of contingency.
- **2009 Budget** – A lengthy discussion was held about the budget. The Authority will need a special assessment to cover legal fees resulting from the Rulemaking Hearing. Before a proposed 2009 budget can be developed, the Management Team needs a better idea of how much money will be coming in revenues. The Board directed the Management Team to try to hold a meeting of the Member Dues Strategy Subcommittee before the December 17<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. The Board also discussed expanding the membership base to include Castle Pines North. The Management Team was directed to send a letter of introduction and a brochure to Mayor Maureen Schul with the potential of including them as members in 2009. The Board agreed that sending out the invoices for 2009 membership as soon as possible was a priority. The issue of the monitoring program was also discussed. The Management Team was directed to continue conversations with Denver Water to see if there is an opportunity to share data and reduce monitoring costs. The potential of invoicing State Parks and the Army Corps of Engineers was also discussed without resolution.

### **B.**

**Contacts** – The Board reviewed both the proposed Scope of Work from Tetra Tech and the monitoring program. The Management Team will report back in December on the potential collaborating with Denver Water for monitoring and the Board will revisit the proposed Scope of Work in December also. The group expressed interest in potentially introducing legislation to assess fees on Chatfield Park users. Amy Conklin announced that for the 2009 legislative session she would be serving as Legislative Aide to Rep. Joe Rice. The Tetra Tech team would expand to include Lisa Knerr to ensure no disruption in service to the Authority.

### **C.**

#### **Referrals**

- a. **Bell Mountain Ranch**- The Board reached consensus delaying discussion about Bell Mountain Ranch's wasteload allocation request until January of 2009.
- b. **Sacred Heart Wasteload Allocation** – Ed Church from Sacred Heart explained that discussions were ongoing about renewing their discharge

permit but that their wasteload allocation was only a temporary one. Larry Moore expressed the Authority's intention to assist Sacred Heart, as a dues-paying member, in moving through the process.

- c. **Highlands Ranch Law Enforcement Training Facility** – The Board directed the Management Team to refer the Facility to the Douglas County planner for the case to determine if all the concerns raised by referral parties were being met. Tri-County Health will keep the Authority updated on any concerns they have about the project.

**F Monitoring Report** or the 2008 growing season, the average chlorophyll was 4.9 ug/L and the total phosphorus was 19 ug/L..

**Old Business:**

- A. **Updates form Water Quality Control Division Staff:** No staff was present to provide information and no WQCD staff have attended any Authority meetings since the Annual Retreat on May 14<sup>th</sup> 2008.
- B. **Update on Massey Draw PIP:** -- The management staff was directed to send the draft letter in the packet to the Division. The letter should copy all local legislators, Arapahoe and Jefferson County Commissioners, the Governor, Steve Gunderson, and Dick Parachini.

**Management Team** – The Management Team reported on their activities. For the reporting period, the Tetra Tech management team worked a total of 81 hours. During this period, approximately 60% of the effort was spent directly towards rulemaking hearing and regulatory issues. The major focus of the management team efforts in October was preparation for and presentations at the WQCC rule-making hearing. Other activities included resolving the Massey Draw grant application, preparing land use referral letters, and preparing files for the 19 Nov. Board meeting.

**2009 Schedule** - The revised schedule of meetings for 2009 will need to be adopted at the December 17<sup>th</sup> Board meeting..

**The next Authority Board meeting is scheduled for December 17<sup>th</sup> at PCWA at 2:00 pm.**

**Financial Matters** – Information from the Book keeper was prepared and distributed.

**Other** – Amy Conklin reported that she attended the Cherry Creek Stewardship Partners Annual Conference was held on Friday Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> at the Wildlife Experience.

**Executive Session-** Larry Moore moved and Penny Wilkinson seconded going into executive session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(3)(a) to develop strategy for the upcoming Rulemaking Hearing before the WQCC. Kevin Urie moved and Penny Wilkinson seconded a motion to come out of Executive Session. No one objected that anything discussed was not relevant to the Rule-making hearing. The vote was unanimous.

**Adjournment** –The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m. by acclamation.