

**UPPER SOUTH PLATTE WATER CONSERVANCY
DISTRICT
FEBRUARY 13, 2019
WEDNESDAY
MONTHLY MEETING
548 FRONT STREET
FAIRPLAY, CO 80440**

At 12:43 p.m. the February 13, 2019, meeting of the USPWCD was called to order by Dave Wissel, President. Members present: Dave Wissel, Lynda James, Bob Slagle, Jon Rice, Brian Woodyard, Madoline Wallace Gross, USPWCD Attorney and District Secretary, Lillian Wissel.

APPROVAL/MODIFICATION OF PROPOSED AGENDA

Agenda – Jon moved to approve the February 13, 2019 agenda. Bob seconded the motion. Ayes carried.

PUBLIC INPUT/COMMENTS

Elaine Campbell and Steve King were present as USPWCD guests.

Steve gave an overview of what his project is doing. He stated Instead of hiring people to help he is looking at college student that could help him and they could benefit from the project. There was discussion.

Dave gave a brief overview of the water conference in reference to the education process. He stated that there are

many people interested in the education process and think the USPWCD is a leader in the field. There was discussion.

Dave and Bob have a date with the Foundation for Water Education for Friday, February 15, to see what they have to offer for us already developed.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

- a. **Swearing in of Board Members – Lillian Wissel, Notary, administered the oath of office to new board member Brian Woodyard and returning board members Bob Slagle and Dave Wissel. Dave was administered the oath today because he never had his administration of oath given in 2018. Although he had been appointed by the district court in December 2017 for a 4 year term. Lynda has to be sworn in as Director at large because she too was not administered the oath of office in 2018.**

- b. **Minutes of previous meeting – November 14, 2018**

Jon moved to approve the January 10, 2019 minutes as presented. Brian seconded. Ayes carried.

- a. **Financial report- Bob gave an overview of the financial report for January 2019.**

General Fund - \$ 12,722.60
Chase Trust Fund - \$134,789.14
Project Reserve Fund - \$ 73,323.89
Colo Trust Pubic Ed Fund \$25,065.10
- \$245,897.73

There was discussion.

Tom discussed the transfer of our web site domain name and what would be happening with the web site. There was discussion.

Leesa Busch, whose company is Daisy Design, was asked by Dave if she would be interested in becoming the USPWCD webmaster and she would then be all three water entities webmaster. She has agreed and will be looking into what all will be involved in redoing the current website. There was discussion.

Tom will transfer over domain name to Bob.

Brian moved to approve the Treasurers' report. Jon seconded. Ayes carried.

- b. **Invoices for legal services, bills needing review for payment & directors expenses – Bob gave an overview of the bills for January 2019. There was discussion.**

Jon moved to approve the payment of the January 2019 USPWCD bills and Director's expenses for February 2019. Bob seconded. Ayes carried

- c. **Legal report – update on current legal actions/issues of concern. Madoline will give in joint meeting.**

DISTRICT PROJECTS

Jones/ Colin Bills water - At the direction of the USPWCD in consideration of keeping records and releasing water

USPWCD would pay the HASP fees but Curtis needs to follow through with his tasks.

There was discussion and adjustments made to the agreement. Quantification is 10 acre feet of water. Jon stated USPWCD may have to pay for a measuring device to meter at some time. Structure has historically been used to divert as much as he can. Tim Buckley allows Curtis to flush the ditch whenever he wants. Divert in priority whenever available as much as he can divert.

Madoline stated that she suggested having two leases instead of one. The board can decide which one they want to have.

- 1. First version Direction to attorney is the USPWCD will pay HASP directly.**
- 2. We pay Curtis and he will pay HASP.**

Madoline will have them ready for the March meeting.

DIRECTORS ISSUES

- a. Lynda – CUSP - Lillian gave an update on Lynda. She spoke with Lynda a couple of days ago. She was in a bad accident the evening of our January meeting on the way home. She was injured pretty badly and will be in the hospital/rehabilitation facility for quite a while. She needs help with her dog if we know of anyone who can take the dog until she can come home please let her know. If not she will have to give the dog up to the shelter. Bob stated he will help her with the dog. Lillian will let her know.**

- b. **Jon - gave his new email address to the board members. It is jonriceoffice@gmail.com**

Jon asked if we should pay mileage to board members who attend various board meetings. There was discussion. Yes mileage should be paid.

Jon stated Dave and Lillian were on vacation and Dick Elsner asked Jon to file the budget with DOLA.

Jon asked if the USPWCD still wants to purchase laptops/tablets. There was discussion. It was decided that yes laptops or tablets would be purchased and Bob will check into laptops/tablets with John Cain. John Cain is our network support person. Lillian has used him for a couple of years and told Bob about him. Bob has been using him also, as does Nola and CCWCD for their computer support. Bob will ask John Cain to see about the purchase of 4 laptops/tablets and will let Bob know the best product (laptop or tablet) to purchase. Only 4 will be ordered because Lynda stated previously she didn't need a new computer because she could use her own.

Jon asked if the USPWCD would want to pay all or part of his continuing education water course tuition fee at Red Rocks College? There was discussion.

Dave stated that we could create a line item for Directors continuing education. Dave thinks with everything that is going on with water today continuing

education is a good idea and supports paying for Jon's tuition as long as he passes and finishes the course.

Dave made the motion to pay Jon Rice Red Rocks College tuition fee as long as he finishes the course. Bob Seconded. Ayes carried.

- c. **Bob – Good conference. The Colorado Water Conference has grown substantially and is changing its culture. There were over 600 hundred people in attendance. The POND networking event had Bob and Brian involved to the end. Bob stated it was very productive. Jon and Bob spoke to an engineer for Aurora and all were interested in working together on Wild Horse Reservoir. There was discussion.**
- d. **Brian Woodyard – none**
- e. **Dave Wissel – Dave will assume the leadership of CUSP and Round Tables representative. Since Dave is no longer working he can now devote his time, as the Bylaws allow, in representing the USPWCD. Jon made a comment about Steven King. Jon is not real impressed with the project. It has to be the Upper South Platte Basin. There are some that are a little leery of Mr. Ling and Jerry Mallet who are involved with Steve King and the education project. There was discussion.**

Jon stated Shawnee wants us to give them \$70,000 for the reservoir. We are not involved in this project. There was discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

The next regular board meeting of the USPWCD is scheduled for March 13, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.

Next joint meeting is – May 8, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. (CCWCD will host).

With no further business to come before the board the meeting was adjourned at 1:57 p.m.

Moved, seconded and passed this ___ day of _____ 2019.

President, David Wissel

Attest:

District Secretary, Lillian Wissel