



**MINUTES OF THE
GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT SUBDISTRICT OF THE
CENTRAL COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
JANUARY 20, 2026**

The regular monthly meeting of the Groundwater Management Subdistrict of the Central Colorado Water Conservancy District was held on Tuesday, January 20, 2026, at the office of the Central Colorado Water Conservancy District located at 3209 W. 28th St. Greeley, Colorado. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by Chairman Ralph Anders and the following Directors were present: Ralph Anders, President; Chad Schafer, Vice President; Bret Schmidt, Treasurer; Dan Kammerzell, At-Large; Dave Bernhardt; Steve Bruntz; Doug Dill; David Eckhardt; Travis Hergert; Calven Goza; Randy Knutson; John Mark; Alan Mazzotti and Brian Rosenbrock. Everett Kissler was absent.

Others present were Randy Ray, Executive Director; Billy Mihelich, District Engineer; Danyelle Hart, Financial Analyst; Courtney Jones, Water Quality Coordinator and Lynn Kramer, Contracts Manager. Special guests were Brad Grasmick and David Strait of Lawrence Custer Grasmick Jones & Donovan and Ed Armbruster of White Sands Water Engineers.

President Anders welcomed the two new board members David Eckhardt and Travis Hergert.

ACCEPT INTO THE RECORD THE CONSENT CALENDAR, FINANCIALS, AND ALL MINUTES OF NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2025 AS PRESENTED.

MOTION: DAVE BERNHARDT

SECOND: BRET SCHMIDT

MOTION CARRIED

Public Discussion

There was none.

Election of Officers

President Anders opened the nominations for the 2026 Board Officers.

Dave Bernhardt nominated Ralph Anders as President, Chad Schafer as Vice President, Bret Schmidt as Treasurer and Dan Kammerzell as At-Large. Doug Dill seconded the nominations.

MOVE TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS AND CAST A UNANIMOUS BALLOT FOR RALPH ANDERS AS PRESIDENT, CHAD SCHAFFER AS VICE PRESIDENT, BRET SCHMIDT AS TREASURER AND DAN KAMMERZELL AS AT-LARGE.

MOTION: STEVE BRUNTZ

SECOND: RANDY KNUTSON

MOTION CARRIED

Action Items

Lynn Kramer presented Petitions for Class D Irrigation Water Allotment Contracts for approval.

MOVE TO APPROVE THE REVISED GMS CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #1306
WESTERN EQUIPMENT AND TRUCK INC.
MOTION: ALAN MAZZOTTI
SECOND: BRET SCHMIDT
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO APPROVE THE NAME CHANGE ON GMS CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT
CONTRACT #699 FROM SCHMIDT ESTATE REVOCABLE TRUST TO SCHMIDT ESTATE REVOCABLE
TRUST AND KCS SCHMIDT FAMILY FARM LLC.
MOTION: ALAN MAZZOTTI
SECOND: DOUG DILL
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO TERMINATE GMS CLASS D NON-IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #728
SPARBOE SUMMIT FARMS INC AND DELETE THE WELL FROM THE GMS DECREE.
MOTION: ALAN MAZZOTTI
SECOND: DAN KAMMERZELL
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO ADJOURN THE OPEN MEETING AND GO INTO AN EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR A
CONFERENCE WITH THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING LEGAL ADVICE ON SPECIFIC
LEGAL QUESTIONS UNDER SECTION 24-6-402(4)(B) C.R.S.
MOTION: DAVE BERNHARDT
SECOND: BRET SCHMIDT
MOTION CARRIED AT 10:18 A.M.

MOVE TO ADJOURN THE EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RETURN TO THE OPEN MEETING.
MOTION: STEVE BRUNTZ
SECOND: BRET SCHMIDT
MOTION CARRIED AT 11:22 A.M.

Legal Action Items

There were no legal action items.

Legal/Legislative Reports

Brad Grasmick reviewed the November and December 2025 resume.

MOVE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF OPPOSITION IN CASE 25CW3158.
MOTION: CHAD SCHAFER
SECOND: DAVE BERNARDT
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF OPPOSITION IN CASE 25CW3168.
MOTION: RANDY KNUTSON
SECOND: BRET SCHMIDT
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF OPPOSITION IN CASE 25CW3185.
MOTION: ALAN MAZZOTTI
SECOND: JOHN MARK
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF OPPOSITION IN CASE 25CW3189.
MOTION: BRET SCHMIDT
SECOND: CHAD SCHAFER
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF OPPOSITION IN CASE 25CW3195.
MOTION: RANDY KNUTSON
SECOND: BRIAN ROSENBROCK
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF OPPOSITION IN CASE 25CW3196.
MOTION: CHAD SCHAFER
SECOND: BRET SCHMIDT
MOTION CARRIED

Brad gave a legislative update including a recap of the Regulation 87 Rulemaking Hearing.

District Action

MOVE TO APPROVE THE 2026 ATTORNEY RATES.
MOTION: BRET SCHMIDT
SECOND: DOUG DILL
MOTION CARRIED

Randy presented the Residential Lease Agreement for the house at Sweet Valley.

MOVE TO APPROVE THE RESIDENTIAL LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CCWCD AND MICHAEL SELLMER FOR THE HOUSE LOCATED AT 19529 HWY 60 PLATTEVILLE.
MOTION: CHAD SCHAFER
SECOND: DOUG DILL
MOTION CARRIED

Subdistrict Action

Randy presented a Weld County Notice of Inquiry regarding Nissen Reservoir. Discussion followed.

Billy Mihelich presented the Use of Diversion Structure Agreement between Whitney Ditch Company and GMS.

MOVE TO APPROVE THE USE OF DIVERSION STRUCTURE AGREEMENT WITH THE WHITNEY IRRIGATING DITCH COMPANY AS PRESENTED SUBJECT TO NON-SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES.
MOTION: CHAD SCHAFER
SECOND: JOHN MARK
MOTION CARRIED

Lynn Kramer presented a request from Shelton Land & Cattle regarding their 2026 Annual Assessment for two industrial use contracts.

MOVE TO DENY THE REQUEST FROM SHELTON LAND & CATTLE TO REDUCE THE ACRE FEET OF CONSUMPTIVE USE AND MAINTAIN CONTRACTS 1328 AND 1329 AT ONE ACRE FOOT EACH WITH AN ANNUAL ASSESSMENT OF \$800 PER CONTRACT.
MOTION: ALAN MAZZOTTI
SECOND: JOHN MARK
MOTION CARRIED

Randy discussed the Services Agreement between Longitude 103 and CCWCD to implement the HydroData software.

MOVE TO TERMINATE THE SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH LONGITUDE 103 AND DIRECT THEM TO CEASE ANY FURTHER WORK ON BEHALF OF CCWCD REGARDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE HYDRODATA SOFTWARE.

MOTION: RANDY KNUTSON

SECOND: BRET SCHMIDT

MOTION CARRIED

Staff Action

There was no staff action.

President's Report

President Anders presented Director Steve Bruntz with a plaque for 10 years of service on the board. He then recognized Don Rosenbrock for his years of service and presented Director Brian Rosenbrock with a plaque and Resolution to deliver to Don.

Subdistrict Report

Billy Mihelich provided an operational report and precipitation outlook.

District Report

A video of the Chatfield tree removal was shown.

Secretary's Report

Billy Mihelich is the new representative from CCWCD on the South Platte Basin Roundtable.

Secretary Ray presented the board calendar.

New Business

Brad Grasmick updated the board on the status of the industrial water right for the wells at Sweet Valley.

MOVE TO ADJOURN.


MOTION: BRET SCHMIDT

SECOND: DAVE BERNHARDT

MOTION CARRIED

The regular meeting was adjourned at 1:50 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,



Lynn Kramer