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MINUTES OF THE
CENTRAL COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
January 21, 2025

The regular monthly meeting of the Central Colorado Water Conservancy District was held on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, 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; Frank Eckhardt, At Large; Dave Bernhardt; Steve Bruntz; Doug Dill; Calven Goza; Gary Herman; Dan Kammerzell; Everett Kissler; John Mark; Alan Mazzotti; Don Rosenbrock and Bret Schmidt. Randy Knutson was absent.

Others present were Randy Ray, Executive Director; Billy Mihelich, District Engineer; Evan McCurnin, Water Resources Analyst; Courtney Sandoval, Water Quality Coordinator; and Lynn Kramer, Contracts Manager. Special guests were Brad Grasmick of Lawrence Custer Grasmick Jones & Donovan and Ed Armbruster of White Sands Water Engineers, Inc attended by video conference.

ACCEPT INTO THE RECORD THE CONSENT CALENDAR, FINANCIALS, AND ALL MINUTES OF NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2024 AND JANUARY 2025 AS PRESENTED.
MOTION: DAVE BERNHARDT
SECOND: DOUG DILL
MOTION CARRIED

Public Discussion

There was none.

Election of Officers

President Anders opened the nominations for the 2025 Board Officers.

MOVE TO NOMINATE THE CURRENT SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR 2025.
MOTION: GARY HERMAN
SECOND: DAVE BERNHARDT
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS AND CAST A UNANIMOUS BALLOT TO RETAIN THE CURRENT SLATE OF OFFICERS. RALPH ANDERS PRESIDENT, CHAD SCHAFER VICE PRESIDENT, BRET SCHMIDT TREASURER, FRANK ECKHARDT AT-LARGE AND RANDY RAY SECRETARY.
MOTION: STEVE BRUNTZ
SECOND: DAVE BERNHARDT
MOTION CARRIED

Legal Action Items

Brad Grasmick reviewed the November and December 2024 Resume.

MOVE TO FILE A STATEMENT OPPOSITION IN CASE 24CW10.
MOTION: DAVE BERNHARDT
SECOND: BRET SCHMIDT
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF OPPOSITION IN CASE 24CW3164.
MOTION: EVERETT KISSLER
SECOND: DOUG DILL
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF OPPOSITION IN CASE 24CW3168.
MOTION: DAVE BERNHARDT
SECOND: FRANK ECKHARDT
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF OPPOSITION IN CASE 24CW3187.
MOTION: STEVE BRUNTZ
SECOND: BRET SCHMIDT
MOTION CARRIED

Legal/Legislative Reports

Brad Grasmick gave a Water Court update including the Town of Frederick application, the Rangeview case, the Poudre Flows augmentation plan case, ACCWA change case, Western Ditch change case and the H2FM case.

Brad gave a legislation update.

MOVE TO ADJOURN THE OPEN MEETING AND GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION CONCERNING THE PURCHASE, ACQUISITION, LEASE, TRANSFER OR SALE OF REAL, PERSONAL OR OTHER PROPERTY INTEREST UNDER 24-6-402(4)(a) C.R.S.
MOTION: EVERETT KISSLER
SECOND: DAVE BERNHARDT
MOTION CARRIED AT 10:55 A.M.

MOVE TO ADJOURN THE EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RETURN TO THE OPEN MEETING.
MOTION: DON ROSENBROCK
SECOND: FRANK ECKHARDT
MOTION CARRIED AT 11:50 A.M.

District Action

President Anders read aloud a letter of resignation from Don Rosenbrock. The board thanked Director Rosenbrock for his contributions to the board.

MOVE TO APPROVE THE 2025 ATTORNEYS RATE INCREASE.
MOTION: BRET SCHMIDT
SECOND: STEVE BRUNTZ
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO RETAIN THE ANNUAL RATE FOR RECHARGE CREDITS AT $40 PER ACRE FOOT.
MOTION: CHAD SCHAFER
SECOND: GARY HERMAN
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO TABLE THE MEMORANDUM REGARDING GUIDELINES FOR PERMANENT TRANSFERS UNTIL THE APRIL 2025 BOARD MEETING.
MOTION: ALAN MAZZOTTI
SECOND: EVERETT KISSLER
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO APPROVE A MORITORIUM ON ALL PERMANENT TRANSFERS TO REACH F UNTIL APRIL 2025.
MOTION: GARY HERMAN
SECOND: DAVE BERNHARDT
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO APPROVE THE TWO RECENT PURCHASES OF GREELEY IRRIGATION COMPANY SHARES.
MOTION: DAN KAMMERZELL
SECOND: BRET SCHMIDT
MOTION CARRIED

Randy Ray presented the schedule at Sweet Valley and a request from Hall Irwin to remove liquidated damages.

MOVE TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER #2 FROM HALL IRWIN.
MOTION: EVERETT KISSLER
SECOND: DAVE BERNHARDT
MOTION CARRIED

Randy presented two sponsorship requests.

MOVE TO CONTRIBUTE $500 TO THE WELD COUNTY FAIR AND CONTRIBUTE $2500 TO COLORADO AG IN THE CLASSROOM.
MOTION: CHAD SCHAFER
SECOND: BRET SCHMIDT
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO APPROVE RENTING 5 SHARES OF FARMERS INDEPENDENT DITCH.
MOTION: EVERETT KISSLER
SECOND: JOHN MARK
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO APPROVE A LEASE TO ECKHARDT FARMS FOR THE EWING/CLEMENT FARM.
MOTION: CHAD SCHAFER
SECOND: BRET SCHMIDT
MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTOR ECKHARDT ABSTAINING

Billy presented a request from Burnco for a lease at Bernhardt Reservoir.

MOVE TO APPROVE THE LEASE WITH BURNCO.
MOTION: CHAD SCHAFER
SECOND: ALAN MAZZOTTI
MOTION CARRIED

Randy presented the Walker Recharge Hydraulic study.

MOVE TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDED 42 INCH PIPE SIZE AT WALKER.
MOTION: EVERETT KISSLER
SECOND: JOHN MARK
MOTION CARRIED

Staff Action

There was no Staff Action.

Presidents Report

There was no Presidents Report.

Education Report

There was no Education Report.

Water Quality Report

Courtney Sandoval presented the 2024 River Water Quality Report. Discussion followed.

Subdistrict Report

Billy Mihelich provided the operational reports and precipitation outlook.

District Report

Randy updated the board on the Chatfield Reservoir tree removal.

Secretaries Report

Brad updated the board on the Beebe Draw Operating Agreement and discussed amending the stipulation.

MOVE TO APPROVE MODIFICATIONS TO THE 10CW306 STIPULATION AS DISCUSSED.
MOTION: GARY HERMAN
SECOND: BRET SCHMIDT
MOTION CARRIED

Secretary Ray reviewed the board calendar.

New Business

There was no new business.

MOVE TO ADJOURN.
MOTION: EVERETT KISSLER
SECOND: JOHN MARK
MOTION CARRIED

The regular meeting was adjourned at 2:48 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lynn Kramer

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