

BCWA Board Meeting Summary

October 12, 2016



Members and Participants Present Pat O’Connell, Jefferson County; Bert Weaver, Clear Creek; Mike Towner and Alan Searcy, Lakewood; Dave Lighthart, Evergreen; Chris Schauder, West Jefferson Metro District; Tony Langowski, Kittredge Water and Sanitation District; Chris Brownell, Genesee; Fritz Fouts, Morrison; Kim MacDonnell, Jefferson County schools; Cindy Brady, Denver Water; Russell Clayshulte, Manager

Call to Order – Chris Schauder called meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., a quorum was present. The meeting was held at the Evergreen Metro District Offices.

Board Action Items

1. **September 2016 Meeting Summary** –A motion was made by Tony Langowski and seconded by Mike Towner to accept the meeting summary as presented. The motion passed.
2. **Billings** - A motion was made by Chris Schauder and seconded by Mike Towner to pay the bills as presented. The motion passed.
3. Policy Updates
 - **Policy 15 Nonpoint Source Strategies and BMPs and Policy 20 preferred Management Strategies for EGL and BCR.** The manager reviewed the changes and updates to these policies. There was considerable discussion about the purposes and merits of having these policies, which are a component of the watershed plan and partially meets elements identified in the control regulation. There was discussion about having a simpler version, as a fact sheet. that shows just the practices and standards being used by the counties and Lakewood. There was a concern about having too many documents within the watershed plan. A motion was made by Alan Searcy and seconded by Tony Langowski to accept policies 15 and 20 as presented. The motion passed.
4. **TRS Recommendations**
 - **Revised PGO28 Membership In-kind Program.** Membership Entities and Participants as defined in the *PGO16 2015 By-Laws* and in *BCWA Policy 16 Membership* support the program by providing various types of in-kind services and costs. These in-kind services and costs are essential in reducing the overall program and monitoring costs covered under the annual Cost Share Program (*BCWA Policy 33 Cost Share Program*). The TRS identified several additional in-kind services that should be included in PGO28. The board noted that there are other members who have provided in-kind services and they should be added to PGO28 when information is provided to the manager. A motion was made by Chris Schauder and seconded by Pat O’Connell to accept PGO28 as revised. The motion passed.

Discussion of Revised Policy 30 Financial Plan and Policy 33 Cost Share Program. There was general discussion about these policies and the value of the program to the membership. Several concerns were identified by the members that need to be discussed with state staff.

- What would the states response be to a BCWA member, as listed in the control regulation #74, that wants to no longer participate? Would the state require the organization to meet the intent of the control regulation? This would include several small treatment facilities who have already dropped cost sharing. There is a strong opinion that non-participation would not affect their discharge permits.
- What does the state expect from BCWA as a designated management agency?

- Several members say they have heard the state water quality staff is “displeased” with the Association and that the Association is doing too much?
- What could the state do to a land use agency (e.g. county without an MS4) that didn’t want to participate?
- What is the state’s reaction if the BCWA disbanded?

The membership directed the manager to arrange a meeting with state staff (Nicole Rowan) and discuss these issues before the next meeting. Because of this extensive discussion, the chair Chris Schauder made a motion to table these polices, the motion was seconded by Pat O’Connell. The motion passed.

5. Other Actions

- **Position on Rezoning C470/ Alameda, 2nd Referral.** The rezoning response to the Association’s first letter was reviewed. A motion was made by Alan Searcy and seconded by Dave Lighthart to have the manager send in a second referral letter as follows: The BCWA Board reviewed the documents contained in the 2nd referral listings as posted on the Jefferson County web site at the October 12, 2016 Board meeting for the rezoning of the planned developments at the northwest and southeast corners of the C470/ Alameda interchange. The Board specifically addressed the sanitation response contained in the *First Referral Response Letter – C-470/Alameda Southeast – Rooney Ranch Business Center Case No. 16-108148RZ*. The BCWA recommends adding the following language into the ODP:

A specific sanitation district is not identified, but viable options are available. The applicant will not utilize a temporary or interim sanitation solution. The applicant will demonstrate the availability of water and sanitation service to the property prior to Final Plat approval. No structures will be allowed a Certificate of Occupancy on this site until such time as a permanent, reliable sewer connection is made to an established public sanitation system and provider. A will-serve letter from a sanitation provider (permanent solution/system) will be supplied before this application is heard by the Planning Commission and Board of County Commissioners. Although an application for platting the property is currently being processed, the plat will not be approved without proof of sanitation services.

Board Discussion Items

The manager reviewed the climate modeling minimal concept steps that the Association should undertake to better manage the watershed in future years. The Board referred the temperature monitoring concept to the TRS and opted not to pursue communication plans or a public advisory system.

Membership Updates and Issues Forum

Evergreen – The district noted the FEMA project closure process is continuing and a new bottom contour survey is completed.

Jefferson County – No update

Jefferson County Health Department –No update.

Clear Creek County – No update.

Lakewood - Provided an update on BCR conditions and fishery.

Denver Water – No update.

Wastewater Dischargers – Morrison provided an update on the pump station for Red Rocks.

Corps of Engineers – No update or recent involvement with Association.

Jeffco Schools – No update.

Administrative Items – No discussions.

Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 11:25 p.m. (Motion by Alan Searcy and seconded by Kim MacDonnell).