



FOUNTAIN CREEK WATERSHED

Flood Control And Greenway District

Fountain Creek Watershed, Flood Control and Greenway District
Technical Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, December 5, 2018 – 1:00 PM

1. Call to Order, Introductions, and Establishment of a Quorum: The meeting was held at Fountain City Hall, 116 S. Main Street, Fountain, Colorado. A quorum was established, and the meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m.

Committee Members in Attendance

Andra Ahrens	City of Pueblo, Water Quality
Kevin Binkley	Colorado Springs Utilities/City of Colorado Springs
Joshua Carpenter	US Army Corps of Engineers, Albuquerque District
John Chavez	El Paso County, Stormwater
Jim Heckman	Fountain Sanitation District
Jason Meyer	El Paso County, Parks
Erin Powers	City of Colorado Springs, Stormwater
Mark Shea	Colorado Springs Utilities
Larry Small	FCWFCGD Executive Director

Others in Attendance:

Lisa Miller	US Geological Survey
Allison Plute	Colorado Springs Utilities
Scott Stevens	Fountain Sanitation District
Josh Watkins	Fountain Sanitation District

2. Approve Agenda: A motion was made by John Chavez to approve the agenda, seconded by Jim Heckman and approved by unanimous vote.
3. Approve Minutes of the November 7, 2018 Meeting: A motion to approve the minutes was made by Jim Heckman, seconded by Andra Ahrens and approved by unanimous vote.
4. TAC Member Comments:
 - Jim Heckman noted that Josh Watkins will begin serving as the Fountain Sanitation District's representative on the District's Citizens Advisory Group (CAG) beginning in 2019, with Scott Stevens serving as the Fountain Sanitation District's alternate representative on the TAC.
 - John Chavez noted that he had recently met with the new Stormwater Manager for the City of Manitou Springs, which included a discussion on the City of Manitou Springs role and participation on the TAC.
 - TAC Members discussed membership and attendance of District members on the TAC; discussed the need to define the TAC's plans for 2019; and discussed the TAC's desire to be updated on the District's Floodplain Management Study being completed at various stages of development.
 - Josh Carpenter updated the members on the recent Fountain Creek Wetlands Bank proposal and noted that the Maria Wetland Bank in Walsenburg had recently been approved (HUC-6).

- Mr. Carpenter also recommended that the District possibly consider looking further into the USACE In-Lieu Fee Program for projects along the corridor. Members agreed that Mr. Carpenter be able to provide a brief presentation to the group regarding the Program at the January 2019 TAC meeting.

5. Public Comments: None

6. Presentations: None

7. Reports:

- a. District Board/Water Activity Enterprise Board: The District Board/Water Activity Enterprise Board did not meet in November. The November meeting was moved to December 7, 2018 to accommodate the holiday schedule.
- b. Citizens Advisory Group: Allison Plute reported that the Fountain Creek Watershed Collaboration group had recently disbanded and that the group's momentum and membership may be moving over to support the District CAG in 2019. The CAG has also discussed another District projects tour in 2019 to be held in May based on feedback from the 2018 tour.
- c. Monetary Mitigation Fund Advisory Committee: Kevin Binkley reported that the MMFAC did not meet in November and is scheduled to meet next on January 15, 2019 to include the annual meeting and election of new officers.
- d. AFCURE: Mark Shea reported out on the most recent AFCURE events. The group met on December 4, 2018 where the group approved 2019 contracts with Brown & Caldwell for various project work; ran through standing agenda items regarding water quality and *E-coli*; and discussed where AFCURE envisions the groups role going forward once the current plans being drafted are completed. Andra Ahrens was voted in as the 2019 AFCURE Chair. AFCURE continues to look at algae and other nutrient modeling work, including additional work on the *E-coli* monitoring plan with regulatory support by Brown & Caldwell.

8. New Business:

- a. Floodplain Encroachment Panel Comments and Potential Next Steps: Kevin Binkley noted that these efforts will transition to the Floodplain Overlay Committee. Mark Shea requested that in 2019, the Floodplain Overlay Committee develop model policies that the TAC can draft for outside entities to use in the future. It was recommended that the policies be included as a deliverable from the Floodplain Overlay Committee workplan, with monthly workplan progress reporting to the TAC.
- b. 2019 TAC Officer Nominations: John Chavez nominated Brandy Williams for Chair with TAC member discussion on sharing of the Chair meeting responsibilities outside of the monthly TAC meetings with other TAC members. Mark Shea nominated Jeff Hawkins for Chair in the same capacity as Brandy's nomination of sharing outside meeting responsibilities with other TAC members. Mark Shea agreed that he was willing to continue as Vice-Chair. Jim Heckman nominated Kevin Binkley to continue as Secretary.

9. Old Business

- a. District Floodplain Overlay Committee: Kevin Binkley reported that the subcommittee will plan to meet in January to discuss the 2019 Floodplain Overlay workplan. The committee members will provide an update on the workplan at the February 2019 TAC meeting.

10. Future Business

- a. Annual Meeting and TAC Officer Elections: Scheduled for the January 2019 TAC Meeting
- b. 2019 TAC Priorities: Scheduled for discussion at the January 2019 TAC Meeting
- c. Presentation on Wetland Mitigation Banking and In-Lieu of Fee Program: To be presented by Josh Carpenter at the January 2019 TAC Meeting
- d. Floodplain Overlay Committee Workplan: Scheduled to be presented at the February 2019 TAC Meeting

11. Set Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 2, 2019 at 1:00 pm at Fountain City Hall.

12. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 2:39 pm.