

HUERFANO COUNTY WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

Minutes of Board Meeting February 26, 2018

The monthly meeting of the Huerfano County Water Conservancy District was convened at the Spanish Peaks Library, Walsenburg, CO by President Scott King on Monday, February 26, 2018 at 6:00 pm.

Directors present: Lewis "Beaver" Edmundson, Michael "Sandy" White, Scott King, Kent Mace, Juan Vallejos.

Secretary: Carol Dunn; Attorney: Ryan Farr

Guests: Rick Dunn, Larry Waide, Mayor James Eccher, Jeffrey Swoncher, Susan Bensman, Doug Winter.

White moved and Edmundson seconded to approve the agenda. Board approved.

MINUTES - White moved and Edmundson seconded to approve the January 22, 2018 and January 29, 2018 minutes as presented. Board approved.

TREASURER REPORT – White moved and Mace seconded to approve the Treasurer's report. Board approved.

New Business – There was a White/Mace motion to change the April board meeting to April 16. Board approved.

King reported that no offers were received on the Ranch since the last board meeting.

Rick Dunn presented a tour of the new HCWCD website.

White spoke about the input into the Huerfano County Master Plan. He will present the HCWCD suggestions to the Huerfano County Planning Commission on March 22.

SMAF update – Rick Dunn reported he's been to the Sheep Mountain reservoir site and it is still not eroding. There appears to be dust blowing from the gravel operation.

John Faux notified Rick that he wants HCWCD to start running water in late March and start filling the recharge pond in mid-April.

The board authorized the Property Committee to meet with Steve Wardell about cleaning out the irrigation ditch at the HCWCD Ranch. Wardell is willing to do the work if HCWCD rents a small trackhoe – estimated 2 days rental.

White reported that the Arkansas Basin Roundtable has been talking about funding and Parks & Wildlife reportedly has a lot of money available for duck habitat (10" deep water).

GUEST COMMENTS: There was a question about the sale of the Ranch.

At 6:40 pm King called a recess. Meeting reconvened at 6:56 pm.

BILLS: White moved, Edmundson seconded and board approved paying the following bills, which total \$33,943.74:

Mountain States Financial group, bookkeeping	\$120.00
Monson,Cummins&Shohet: bd mtg, SMAF, aug plan, Perrino, Ranch, SO, exchg storage	\$14,489.62

Monson, Cummins & Shohet: work for 5 marijuana growers	\$296.80
Dunn Write, contract, mileage, postage, coffee maker, coffee, sign repair supplies	\$1,800.23
Dunn Write, BIP Coordinator grant admin, 1/22/18 – 2/23/18	\$227.50
Dunn Write, Infrastructure improvements project, 1/22/18 – 2/25/18	\$399.75
Dunn Write, Phreatophyte control grant admin, 1/22/18 – 2/24/18	\$113.75
Dunn Write, PRWCD grant admin, 1/13/18 – 2/25/18	\$166.25
La Veta Carpentry, water analyst contract for February	\$200.00
La Veta Carpentry, water analyst, SMAF Phase 1 inspections for TZA, 1/8/18 – 2/17/18	\$528.11
La Veta Carpentry, web site development, billed at 100% completion + 1 mo maintenance	\$1,025.00
TZA Water Engineers: SMAF construction phase 1 & 2, exchange application	\$5,103.00
Garald Barber, BIP Coordinator invoice for January 2018	\$5,323.14
Pinnacol Assurance, workers comp insurance (electronic funds transfer)	\$231.00
Sheep Mountain Ranch, royalties on gravel removed Sept to Dec 2017	\$3,776.50
World Journal, Legal ads for leasing Ranch	\$22.80
Century Link, January phone bill (electronic funds transfer)	\$55.29
Spanish Peaks Library, February rent	\$65.00

At 7:00 pm, there was a motion by White, seconded by Mace, to go into executive session to discuss matters involving the regional augmentation plan, ongoing litigation and SWSP, including the purchase, acquisition, lease or sale of real, personal or other property interest as in CRS 24-6-402(4)(a); conference with an attorney representing the District for the purposes of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions pursuant to CRS 24-6-402(4)(b); and determine positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations, and instructing negotiators pursuant to CRS 24-6-402(4)(e).

At 8:07 pm, White moved, Edmundson seconded and board approved closing the executive session and returning to open session. The meeting was called back to regular session at 8:08 pm.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Scott King, President

Carol Dunn, Secretary