

**Fountain Creek Watershed, Flood Control and Greenway District  
Citizens Advisory Group**

**Meeting Minutes  
August 12, 2016**

The meeting was held at:  
City of Fountain, City Hall  
116 S. Main Street, 2nd Floor  
Fountain, CO

**1. Call to Order, Establish Quorum and Introductions**

The August 12, 2016 meeting of the Fountain Creek Watershed, Flood Control and Greenway District (FCWD) Citizens Advisory Group (CAG) was called to order by Irene Kornelly, Chair, at 9:30 a.m. A quorum was noted, with the following CAG members in attendance:

Irene Kornelly – Chair  
Ferris Frost – Alternate CAG Representative to the FCWD Governing Board  
Jack Wallick – CAG Secretary  
Mary Barber – FCWD Web Manager  
Lisa Godwin  
Ian Hartley  
Allison Plute  
Tom Ready

**CAG Members not present:**

Duane Greenwood – TAC Representative  
Dana Nordstrom  
Amber Shanklin  
Richard Skorman - CAG Representative to the FCWD Governing Board  
Ross Vincent – Vice Chair

**Also in attendance:**

None

**2. Approve Agenda of August 12, 2016 Meeting**

**Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the August 12, 2016 agenda was approved.**

**3. Approve Minutes of July 8, 2016 Meeting**

**Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the July 8, 2016 minutes were approved.**

**4. Presentations:**

None

## 5. Reports.

### a. Governing Board Meeting.

Irene reported on the July Board meeting. The Board meeting was held in Manitou Springs, for tours of flood restoration and mitigation work, followed by a luncheon and the regular Board meeting.

- The group toured work areas in Crystal Park where the 2013 and 2014 floods had caused damage. That was followed by Williams Canyon, another site of extensive damage and remediation work.
- The Board met following lunch, and the biggest issue of the meeting was the source of \$145K to produce the Drainage Criteria Manual for the entire District.
  - The point of contention was that the only source of funds the District has is the \$10M of SDS money. That money is slated only for construction projects, and the DCM is not technically a construction project, although it is vital for all construction projects.
  - In the end SDS money was approved for the DCM, without dissenting votes. As Irene explained it, there really was no other option.
  - Colorado Springs Stormwater is adding \$44.5K to the contract for additional work on the city's DCM. This saves the city the expense of issuing their own RFP, and the city's DCM will be in concert with ours.
  - Although the District sent an RFP for the DCM to 4 firms for their individual bids, the four chose to submit a joint bid, with each firm contributing in a separate area. The companies are Matrix, which will lead; Michael Baker; PHK; and Wright Water Engineers. Completion will be in March of 2017.

### b. TAC Meeting.

Irene reported that the TAC heard a presentation by the USGS on all the various studies done on Fountain Creek.

- The point of interest was sedimentation, and that perhaps there is a need for a whole new approach.
- Discussion also concerned the varying effects of the 2013 and 2015 floods, and how it seemed that while the 2013 floods were certainly bad, they also loosened up the underlying bank structure. Then the 2015 floods then came and tore it all out. Drone video taken over the Masantonio Ranch showed how the most recent floods had destroyed banks and completely changed the creek channel.

### c. Outreach Group.

Allison Plute reported for the Outreach Group.

- The annual Arkansas Basin Watershed Forum will be held in El Paso County next April, although the actual location is still to be determined.
- Allison is working with Utilities and others on a Childrens' Water Festival, likely to be held next May at Colorado College during the inter-block break.
- Allison passed around a spreadsheet with Creek Week proclamation dates and asked CAG members to sign up to attend and represent us at the listed times and locations. All eight communities in the watershed are now officially on board and we need representation at their individual proclamations of support.
- There will be a Leinenkugel-sponsored Clean and Crawl fundraiser to publicize the first day of Creek Week, September 24. This is a different take on the traditional pub crawl, in that as participants walk (crawl?) between the four locations; they pick up trash, cigarette butts, mark storm sewers, educate the public, etc. The \$20 donation gets each participant a T-shirt, as well as a beer at each of the venues. There will also be contests and fun for all, including Uber and cab availability to take participants safely home.

- Anglers Covey is facilitating a Pikes Peak clean up. Participants get free admission to the Pikes Peak Highway September 24th in exchange for joining in the cleanup activities. Afterward there will be paddleboard, kayak and fishing activities for participants.
- Donations continue to come in.
  - Coupons from McDonalds and other merchants,
  - 2000 bags from American Rivers,
  - A cheaper source of buffs has been found, and
  - We have \$8,300 in the bank.

**d. Monetary Mitigation Fund Committee.**

- Irene reported that the meeting's focus was also that of the Board meeting – the DCM funding.
- Matrix has begun the first phase of the Masantonio bank stabilization project. This was a field survey, which used a drone to help show the massive changes to the creek since 2013, as discussed earlier in the meeting.
- The September meeting will include a report from Matrix on their survey.

**e. Website.** Lisa reported on the website redesign of the four buttons at the bottom of the page, which combined Flood Control and Sediment Control into one button to make a new Stormwater Projects button. Lisa asks we click on each of the icons to ensure they're working properly in our various browsers. At this time she has put in a link to City of Colorado Springs Stormwater projects, but would like suggestions for Pueblo and other links or sources to populate the page.

**6. Current Business.** There was no current business.

**7. Other Business.** Irene reported that The Fountain City Hall would be closed on our usually scheduled meeting day. Friday November 11 is Veterans Day. She suggested we move the meeting to the third Friday in November - November 18. She also noted that we usually do not have a meeting in December and suggested we continue that practice. With no apparent objection to either suggestion, she asked for a supporting motion.

**Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the CAG approved moving the November meeting to Friday November 18 and not meeting during December.**

**8. Public Comment.** There were no public comments.

**9. Next Meeting.** The next scheduled CAG meeting will be Friday September 9, 2016, at 9:30 a.m. at the Fountain City Hall, 116 S. Main, 2nd Floor, Fountain, CO.

**10. Adjourn:**

**Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at approximately 10:15 a.m.**