



## RUETER-HESS ADVISORY BOARD

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9, 2024

### MINUTES

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Friday, August 9, 2024

9:00 AM

13939 Ancestry Dr.  
Parker, CO 80134

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#### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m.

a. Roll Call

**PRESENT** Board Member Bill Wasserman.  
Alternate Ron Redd  
Board Member Austin Good  
Alternate Marne Hansen  
Alternate Michael Lawson  
Alternate David Anderson  
Alternate Amy Knopp

**EXCUSED** Board Member Jeff Brauer  
Board Member Larry Nimmo  
Board Member Mary Colton  
Board Member Steve Shultz  
Alternate Seth Hoffman

STAFF

**PRESENT** Amy Knopp, Manager, Rueter-Hess Recreation  
Maleia Good, PWSD  
Celeste Deal, County Liaison

b. Approval of the Agenda

Board Member Bill Wasserman asked for a motion for the Board to approve today's agenda.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**MOVER:** Austin Good

**SECONDER:** Marne Hansen

**AYES:** Wasserman, Redd, Good, Hansen, Lawson, Anderson, Knopp

**EXCUSED:** Brauer, Nimmo, Colton, Shultz, Hoffman

**2. Approval of Minutes**

Board Member Bill Wasserman asked for a motion for the Board to approve the Minutes from July 12, 2024.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**MOVER:** Austin Good

**SECONDER:** Marne Hansen

**AYES:** Wasserman, Redd, Good, Hansen, Lawson, Anderson, Knopp

**EXCUSED:** Brauer, Nimmo, Colton, Shoultz, Hoffman

**3. Citizen Comment**

There were none.

**4. Discussion and Action Items****a. Master Plan Update**

Staff shared the 2024 Master Plan Amendment. The appendix has been left off due to the size of the document. The sources have been formatted and the Master Plan is ready to present to town councils if requested.

Partners will give dates to Amy Knopp, Manager if they would like a presentation.

Partners will complete this presentation process in time for the October 11, 2024, meeting for the approval process to keep moving forward.

## b. Fishery Update August 2024

Maleia Good, PWSD shared the most recent fishery update with the Board.

Aqua Sierra stocked 13,200 4-6-inch size blue gills into the reservoir July 25th, 2024. Approximately 8,000 were placed in the new scrub oak habitat at the very southern part of the reservoir. The remaining 7,200 were placed along the eastern shores. (\$1.91 per fish)

New fishing habitat locations were analyzed and native rock from PWSD's Canyon's tank site may be used.

Awaiting pricing and bids from JHL that is onsite already. The rock will be placed not dumped.

Amy Knopp, manager asked about a possible cost sharing with County resources utilizing Road and Bridge. Once the pricing is in, then options of using County resources can be analyzed.

If rocks can be brought over in 2024. The placement of rock can be done in January or February of 2025.

Aqua Sierra will be doing the fall fish assessment in late September as temperatures allow.

Aqua Sierra concerned with little (or no) fisherman survey data coming in. There has been a drop in fishing reservations recently which may have impacted the amount of fishing reservations. Resulting in less surveys turned in. Weather could also be a factor. There was a 40%+ drop in fishing from June to July.

Staff will check the QR code and remind the rangers to share the code with anglers to submit.

A fishing event may be something that staff and the RAB may offer in the future.

c. Rueter-Hess Update for July 2024

Amy Knopp, Manager Rueter-Hess shared the update with the Board.

The Board asked questions regarding citations for fishing.

Safety data and personal floatation devices were discussed. The ranger's goal is to educate people not to give out citations.

South Metro is working with staff on emergency response plan for the Rueter-Hess Property.

The Board asked about an update of the boat rentals for the season. The cost of the boat rentals may be too expensive. The vendor just posted a price reduction at the beginning of August. Usage and revenues will be revisited next month.

The Board would like to meet in October to schedule dates for partner days and programming for 2025.

Austin Good, Board member asked about the usage of wind surfing. There has been no usage from wind surfers so far this season.

The visitation data has now switched to comparison figures from 2023 to 2024. The Board asked to change report to show similar numbers and not year to date and 2023 actuals as it is confusing and looks like we are running a deficit in visitation for 2024.

Amy Knopp, Manager updated the Board on staff changes at the reservoir. Two rangers have resigned, and the County has been interviewing replacements.

d. Budget Update for July 2024

Amy Knopp, Manager Rueter-Hess shared the year-to-date budget for 2024.

We have added a few business units for lake management and CIP projects which will help track expenditures. The changes will be on next month's budget report.

**5. Other Business and Discussion**

a. Reservoir Entrance Station and Roadway Improvement Update

Amy Knopp, Manager Rueter-Hess briefed the Board on the entrance station and roadway improvements.

Staff shared pictures showing where the improvement plan would use recycled concrete and recycled asphalt further down the road at the entrance.

The entrance station would be narrower and longer with a shaded area for inspections.

The recent partner days were a great indicator at how the new traffic flow may work with the new entrance station.

b. Dock Procurement Update

Staff shared the vendor has dropped as they are not able to secure the bonds required. Staff is researching next steps and possible in-house installation.

c. Safety Boat Update

The safety boat was approved by the Board of County Commissioners and will be ordered in the next few weeks.

**6. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

*\*\*The Next Regular Meeting Will be Held on Friday, September 13, 2024 @ 9:00 a.m. \*\**