



RUETER-HESS ADVISORY BOARD

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2024

MINUTES

Friday, September 13, 2024

9:00 AM

13939 Ancestry Dr.
Parker, CO 80134

1. Call to Order

a. Roll Call

PRESENT Board Member Bill Wasserman.
Board Member Austin Good
Alternate Marne Hansen
Board Member Mary Colton
Alternate David Anderson
Alternate Amy Knopp

EXCUSED Alternate Ron Redd
Board Member Jeff Brauer
Board Member Larry Nimmo
Board Member Steve Shoultz
Alternate Michael Lawson
Alternate Seth Hoffman

STAFF

PRESENT Maleia Good, PWSD
Celeste Deal, County Liaison

b. Approval of the Agenda

Board Member Austin Good moved that the Board approve the agenda for September 13, 2024.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: Austin Good

SECONDER: Mary Colton

AYES: Wasserman, Good, Hansen, Colton, Anderson, Knopp

EXCUSED: Redd, Brauer, Nimmo, Shoultz, Lawson, Hoffman

2. Approval of Minutes

Board Member Mary Colton moved that the Board approve the minutes from the August 9, 2024 meeting.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: Mary Colton

SECONDER: Austin Good

AYES: Wasserman, Good, Hansen, Colton, Anderson, Knopp

EXCUSED: Redd, Brauer, Nimmo, Shoultz, Lawson, Hoffman

3. Citizen Comment

Amy Knopp briefed the board on a citizens request to use stabilizers on their kayak. The Board discussed and will allow use as long as it is authorized by PWSD. The Board sees no problem with allowing this safety apparatus for kayaks and canoes as long as it is clean, dry, and free of any debris or residual water.

4. Discussion and Action Items

a. Master Plan Review with Individual Agencies Elected Officials

Amy Knopp, Manager, has attended Agency meetings as requested. Each partner will have been briefed by October with the exception of Castle Rock which passed on the opportunity.

Approval vote of the Master Plan Amendment is planned for the October meeting.

b. Fishery Update September 2024

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

Aqua Sierra has notified PWSD that the Creel fishery survey has increased greatly this last month and angler comments from the survey were shared with the Board.

Aqua Sierra will be doing the fall fish assessment. Once completed, fishing regulations may change depending on the findings. This change could impact staff out at the reservoir as they would need to regulate anglers are following the regulations.

PWSD is requesting a quick snapshot from Aqua Sierra in October so the Board can make decisions on fishing habitat and regulations. The first quote for creating the stone/block habitat was \$8,000 for each Douglas County and PWSD at a total cost of \$16,000. Staff is waiting on a second quote.

The county is researching manufacturers for the docks. Once boulders are placed for the fishery habitat and the plan for docks can be finalized and then installation can be in early spring.

c. Rueter-Hess Update for August 2024

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

The Board discussed the issue of property safety and what some solutions may be for Rueter-Hess trail heads.

The County is working with the Sheriff's department to improve safety at trail heads. Whenever the Board is ready to move on other safety enhancements the County is ready to research options.

d. Budget Update for August 2024

Amy Knopp, Manager, Rueter-Hess, shared the year-to-date budget for 2024. There will be salary savings on staff for this year. There still are several invoices outstanding which include fish habitat, e-coli testing, and entrance station improvements.

5. Other Business and Discussion

Approval of the meeting calendar and partner days for 2025 will be discussed and finalized in October.

The Board brought up the possibility of changing to a bi-monthly or some type of modified meeting schedule now that the reservoir is up and running. This will be discussed further at the October meeting.

Other items discussed were: Special Use fees, races, fee structures, possibility of reduced fees in the off season, annual pass structure or a punch card, and the limitations of the reservation system. If the reservation software is holding us back from moving forward than we need to fix it.

6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:47 a.m.

The Next Regular Meeting Will be Held on Friday, October 11, 2024 @ 9:00 a.m.