

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
SOUTH METRO WATER SUPPLY AUTHORITY**

HELD:

Monday, November 28th, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. in person at the Edward Building Conference Room and via Zoom.

ATTENDANCE:

This regular meeting of the Board of Directors of South Metro Water Supply Authority ("Authority"), Douglas and Arapahoe Counties, Colorado, was called and held as shown above and in accordance with the applicable statutes of the State of Colorado, with the following directors present and acting:

Mark Harding, Rangeview Metropolitan District
Mark Marlowe, Castle Rock Water
Dave Kaunisto, East Cherry Creek Valley W&SD
Ron Redd, Parker Water Sanitation District

Also present:

Lisa Darling, SMWSA, Executive Director
Erik Jorgensen, SMWSA
Kate Bandel, SMWSA
Angie Grunder, SMWSA
Sheila Giusti, SMWSA
Samuel Calkins, Centennial Water & Sanitation District
Russ Dykstra, Spencer Fane
Emilie Abbott, Parker Water Sanitation District
Kathryn Gienger, Pinery Water
Barbara Biggs, Roxborough District
Luis Tovar, Cottonwood / Inverness Water & Sanitation Districts
Matt Benak, Castle Rock Water
Steve Balcerovich, Ratliff & Associates
Sandor Rebek, ACWWA
Andrea Cole, Dominion W&SD
Steve Coffin, Steve Coffin Strategies
Lauren Pulver, Douglas County
Kat Weismiller, CWCB
Greg Baker, Aurora Water
Nathan Travis, Castle Pines North Metro Water District
Linda Gould, Castle Rock Water
Rick Schultz, Castle Rock Water

CALL TO ORDER:

President Harding noted that a quorum was present for the purpose of conducting a meeting of the Board of Directors and called the meeting of the South Metro Water Supply Authority to order at 1:00 p.m.

APPROVE/REVISE AGENDA:

The Board reviewed the agenda. Upon motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the agenda.

MINUTES:

Minutes from September 21st, 2022 were reviewed. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the Minutes as presented.

CLAIMS:

The Board reviewed interim claims for October 2022 and November 2022. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the claims and financial statements as presented. The Board reviewed the financial statements for September 2022 and October 2022.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Legislative Report – Steve Balcerovich provided the legislative report covering the significant activities regarding the outcome of the election. He provided information on some current events happening around water issues, such as, land use, the Colorado River, water conservation, and Chatfield Watershed Authority.

Federal Funding – Steve Coffin provided an update on funding opportunities.

ACTION ITEMS:

2023 Meeting Schedule – The Board reviewed the proposed 2023 meeting schedule. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the proposed 2023 meeting schedule.

2023 Public Budget Hearing – A public hearing was opened for discussion regarding the 2023 Budget. Lisa Darling, Erik Jorgensen and Sheila Giusti provided information and answered questions regarding the annual budget. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the 2023 Annual Budget.

Revised Employee Handbook – The Board reviewed the revised handbook. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board accepted the revision of the Employee Handbook.

Steve Balcerovich 2023 Engagement Letter - Lisa Darling gave an overview of the scope of work for Steve Balcerovich. The Board reviewed the agreement. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the proposed agreement.

Steve Coffin - Lisa Darling gave an overview of the scope of work for Steve Coffin. The Board reviewed the agreement. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the proposed agreement.

Blended Learning - Lisa Darling gave an overview of the scope of work for Blended Learning. The Board reviewed the agreement. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the proposed agreement.

Water Ambassador – Lisa Darling gave an overview of the scope of work for the Water Ambassador Trainer agreement. The Board reviewed the agreement. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the proposed agreement.

PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Castle Rock Ordinance Presentation– Rick Schultz from Castle Rock Water gave a presentation on the recent Turf Replacement Ordinance. He gave information regarding traditional yards versus “ColoradoScaped” yards. He explained that builders are required to submit landscape and irrigation plans. The water budget is created based on that approved plan. The builders are incentivized to complete landscaping and irrigation. Rick explained this has many benefits such as, adhering to Castle Rock regulations.

Aurora Water Ordinance Presentation – Greg Baker from Aurora Water gave a presentation on the recent Conservation Ordinance. He explained Aurora’s challenges and opportunities. Prior to the new ordinance Residential Front Yards were permitted 40% turf or up to 1,000 square feet. The backyard was permitted 45% turf. Commercial and Multi-Family buildings were permitted 33% turf. The new ordinance is forward looking, it is for new development and redevelopment. Under the new ordinance Residential front yards eliminate turf entirely. Backyards are permitted 500 square feet of turf. Commercial and Multi-Family landscape eliminate all turf in areas that are not designed as an active recreation area.

CWCB Turf Replacement Program Presentation – Kat Weismiller from Colorado Water Conservation Board gave a presentation on the recent Turf Replacement Program. She gave information on how the funds will be used during two seasons. The funds are designated to help existing and new programs in relation to turf replacement.

UPDATES:

A written report was provided to the Board and Members.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Water Ambassador School Visit (11/29)
- MRT Agenda Setting Meeting (11/29)
- Front Range Drought Coordination Meeting (11/30)
- Water Ambassador School Visit (12/5)
- M&I Subcommittee Meeting (12/6)
- One World One Water Center Advisory Council Meeting (12/7)
- WISE WDA Amendment Coordination Meeting (12/8)
- MRT Regular Meeting (12/8)
- SPROWG-PLOP Regular Meeting (12/9)
- Regional Messaging & Conservation Meeting (12/12)
- WEco Executive Committee Meeting (12/13)
- WISE Board Meeting (12/14)
- Water Ambassador School Visit (12/19)
- Water Ambassador School Visit (12/20)
- Christmas Day (12/25)
- Christmas Observed (12/26)
- MRT/SPBRT Joint Agenda Setting Meeting (12/27)
- New Year's Day (1/1)
- New Year's Day Observed (1/2)
- WEco Executive Committee Meeting (1/10)
- M&I Subcommittee Meeting (1/12)
- WEco Winter Board Meeting (1/20)
- SMWSA Board Meeting (1/23)

OTHER BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon a motion duly made, the meeting was adjourned 2:44 p.m. The next board meeting will be scheduled for **January 23rd, 2022**, at 1:00 pm.

The foregoing minutes constitutes a true and correct copy of the minutes of the above-referenced meeting and was approved by the Board of Directors of the South Metro Water Supply Authority.

RECORD OF PROCEEDING

Director of the Authority