

CAC MINUTES

FOR THE MEETING OF JUNE 17, 2010

CAC MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Don Schlup, Barry Hudson, Jim Ives, Mel Rettig, Becky Long, Carol Pace, David Spector, Phil Lidov

GUESTS: Tim Flynn

DENVER WATER STAFF: Marie Bassett, Joe Sloan, Ellen Cinchock, Jim Lochhead

OPENING REMARKS, PUBLIC COMMENTS, AGENDA AND MINUTES

The May minutes and agenda were approved with two changes to the minutes.

DENVER WATER UPDATE (Marie Bassett) -

After this month's Distributors Forum, Denver Water realized that the Distributors do not have adequate resources if a boil order was necessary for their district. Denver Water agreed to have a half day preparedness session for Read & Bill and Master Meter Distributors – noting that Denver Water must also be prepared to assist the districts if a boil order is required. Barry Hudson agreed, and noted that many Distributors do not have enough staff available to enact a boil order. David Spector asked Marie what lessons were learned with Denver Water's recent boil order. Marie replied the citizens were pleased with the quick response but some were angry when they lost water pressure. Having a standard list of responses at the call center would have been helpful. A reverse 911 call was also sent out to customers affected by the main break, as well as Denver Water employees going door to door, distributing flyers and advising customers of the boil order.

Becky Long asked if Denver Water will take a stance on Proposition 101 – Marie said Jim Lochhead is waiting for the results of the litigation, but Marie imagines there will be a Board resolution on it.

David Spector attended the Toast and Celebration of Denver Water Manager Chips Barry, and noted it was a very meaningful event and thanked everyone who worked to make it so.

NEW MANAGER DENVER WATER– (JIM LOCHHEAD) –

The CAC members introduced themselves to Jim Lochhead, CEO/Manager of Denver Water. Becky Long asked him if he had any issues the CAC could assist him with as the CAC would like to be more of an advisory committee to the Denver Water Board. Jim thanked the CAC for their interest in Denver Water, and said he would like to sit with the CAC and explain how the mediation with the West Slope will evolve, and how the CAC can help build a foundation for the new relationship with the West Slope once the mediation is complete.

David Spector said the community feedback on the hiring of Jim Lochhead as CEO/Manager of Denver Water has been very positive. Phil Lidov asked Jim if he knew of any future changes to water utilities – Jim said Denver Water has a very diverse system, but currently the existing infrastructure needs to be replaced, as well as the rehabilitation of the treatment plants.

Mel Rettig asked if there was a timeline on the West Slope mediation. Jim said the lawyers are finalizing drafts and it may be complete in a few months.

Becky Long thanked Jim again for attending the meeting and said the CAC would be happy to assist him and Denver Water with any project.

CAC TOUR –

The CAC will hold its annual tour on Wednesday, July 14, following the 8:00 AM Breakfast with the Denver Water Board and a presentation on reforestation. The tour will be of Cheesman and Strontia Springs Reservoirs.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:37 PM.