

**CROSS CREEK METROPOLITAN DISTRICT  
MINUTES  
BOARD MEETING**

Thursday September 9, 2021, 12:00pm

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Cross Creek Metropolitan District was held September 9, 2021. Board members met at Cross Creek Church, 1320 C & S Rd, Fountain, CO 80817.

Board members present: Greg Hanus, Kim Hittle, Pat Skinner, Gerry Martinez, Teresa Cain  
Others present: Elise Bergsten, Laurel Bergsten, Pete Susemihl, Chris Liebert, Bryn Iten

The meeting was convened at 12:03 pm.

**Consent Calendar (see packet)**

- August 2021 meeting Minutes
- Bill Payments as shown below:

Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
<b>September 2021 Bill-Pay</b>		<b>General Fund</b>		
09/10/2021	autopay	City of Fountain Utilities	8201 Fountain Mesa Rd	2,816.93
09/10/2021	autopay	City of Fountain Utilities	8098 Hurley	1,863.14
09/10/2021	autopay	City of Fountain Utilities	7205 Village Meadows Dr	848.90
09/10/2021	autopay	City of Fountain Utilities	7405 Village Meadows Dr	621.81
09/10/2021	autopay	City of Fountain Utilities	Glenburn/Park B2	800.12
09/10/2021	autopay	City of Fountain Utilities	Brook Valley/B1	527.98
09/10/2021	autopay	City of Fountain Utilities	8107 Parkglen Dr	9,944.02
09/10/2021	autopay	City of Fountain Utilities	8115 Parkglen-electric	117.65
09/15/2021	eftps	IRS	941 payment	76.50
09/15/2021	3629	Gerry Martinez	August	92.35
09/15/2021	3630	Greg Hanus	August	92.35
09/15/2021	3631	Patrick Skinner	August	92.35
09/15/2021	3632	Teresa Cain	August	92.35
09/15/2021	3633	Balanced Management Services	21-41	5,389.75
09/15/2021	reimbursement	Balanced Management Services	Bird Dog BBQ & Checks	389.01
09/15/2021	3634	David Rudin	Fall bird hikes	300.00
09/15/2021	3635	Land Management, LLC	CCMD0821	7,293.00
09/15/2021	3635	Land Management, LLC	CCMD0821	8,481.50
09/15/2021	3636	Susemihl, McDermott & Downie, F	33658	638.75
				<b>40,478.46</b>
		<b>Capital Fund</b>		
09/15/2021	2265	Applegate Group	51719, 51720, 51721	8,437.50
09/15/2021	2266	NES	12783	2,690.20
				<b>11,127.70</b>
				<b>51,606.16</b>

- Financial Reports

*A motion to approve the consent calendar was made by Kim Hittle, seconded by Teresa Cain, and approved unanimously.*

**Legal Report – Pete Susemihl**

No updates.

## **NES Presentation – Chris Liebert and Bryn Iten**

Chris showed and discussed several workups of the park design, and drew attention to challenges and interests, with particular concern as to how the Reservoir needs to work.

Preserving and restoring the wetlands during and after the construction is of great importance to several stakeholders including the neighborhood, bird-watching groups, and environmental groups. Chris explained that they are exploring what kind of riparian restoration will work for this project. There is a range of flora that thrives at different points in relation to the water, for instance shallow water plants like cattails and shoreline plants. To have a full range, a larger footprint for the reservoir will be necessary with a range of water depths.

Elise explained that by incorporating all the detention needs into one reservoir there is opportunity for a larger, more aesthetic feature, and that is what we hope to accomplish with this reservoir.

Some challenges were brought up including the design of stormwater forebays and the management of sediment. It was noted that PFC's should not be an issue.

One concern that Chris brought up is how to create cohesion in the park, or how do we connect all the different pieces of the park? A possible way to accomplish this is to expand the walking trails throughout the park. Chris demonstrated a possibility for two walking loops around the reservoir that connect into the northern part of the park, thus joining the pieces together. The walking paths would be ADA accessible, provide access to the reservoir, and may include a section of boardwalk with interpretive signage to add depth to the park experience.

There is also an opportunity for more developed recreation. Some ideas put forward were a concert space or a sport court and the benefits of a potential pickleball court were discussed. A dog park was brought up, and arguments were made against it.

Parking challenges were discussed, including the idea of paving the lot, parking needs when the park is being fully used, and the possibility of rearranging the spots to fit more vehicles into the existing parking area. More spots would be possible with a paved lot.

Other concerns brought up regarded fishing access, proximity of projects to homes, the possibility of a maintenance barn, and the possible addition of restrooms or port-a-potties and how that may impact maintenance.

## **Manager Report**

Elise reported on new requirements for Hale Reservoir, as we prepare design revisions:

- We will need to re-establish the non-jurisdictional status of Hale Reservoir. Currently, Hale is considered isolated waters, which are not considered tributary to anything downstream. Because the reservoir is man-made, and mostly contains and releases runoff and stormwater, the argument to re-up our non-jurisdictional status is that these flows would not exist naturally.
- We now need to account for a 1,000-year flood in our planning. This will mean raising the dam by six inches. It will move from being a low-hazard dam to a significant-hazard dam.
- The 2014 drainage plan did not account for water quality. We will now be held to different standards, which will require forebays that treat for water quality before water enters the reservoir.
- The cost estimate for the project has increased considerably. The original cost was 3.6 million, which was revised to 4 million, but the latest estimate is 5 million. There is a new gap in funding that must be addressed. In order to meet this gap and have assistance meeting the above challenges, Elise proposed that the board hire Gary Barber as a consultant.

*A motion to approve engaging Gary Barber's consulting services was duly made, seconded and approved by consensus.*

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Greg Hanus, seconded by Kim Hittle, and approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 1:16 pm.

Respectfully submitted by

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Laurel Bergsten, Acting Secretary