

**Interbasin Compact Committee
Gunnison Basin Roundtable Meeting
Holiday Inn Express
Montrose, Colorado
November 2, 2015**

Voting Members Present:

Thomas Alvey	North Fork WCD
Mike Berry	Tri-County WCD
Rick Brinkman	Mesa Municipalities
Allen Distel	Bostwick Park WCD
Joanne Fagan	Ouray Municipalities
Steve Fletcher	At-Large Member
John Justman	Mesa County
Jay Jutten	Montrose County
Austin Keiser	Grand Mesa WCD
Frank Kugel	At-Large Member
Dixie Luke	At-Large Member
John McClow	House and Senate Ag Committees, CWCB Liaison
Bill Nesbitt	Gunnison Municipalities
Mark Roeber	Delta County
Hugh Sanburg	Industrial
Ron Shaver	At-Large Member
Steve Shea	Agricultural
Bill Trampe	Colorado River Water Conservation District
Adam Turner	Local Domestic Water Supplier
Stan Whinnery	Hinsdale County
Martha Whitmore	Ouray County
Rufus Wilderson	Gunnison County

Voting Members Absent:

Kathleen Curry	Upper Gunnison River WCD
Cary Denison	Environmental
Henry LeValley	Crawford WCD
Chuck Mitisek	Ute WCD
Dan Murphy	Hinsdale Municipalities
Neal Schwieterman	Recreational
Pending	Delta Municipalities
Pending	Montrose Municipalities
Pending	Saguache County

Liaisons and Non-Voting Members Present:

Sharon Dunning (Assistant Recorder), David Kanzer (At Large).

Public: Julie Nania (HCCA), Hannah Holm (Water Center at CMU), Jason Ullmann (CO Division of Water Resources), Vern Hillis (reservoir owner), Mary Smith (reservoir owner).

Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Interim Chairperson Tom Alvey.

Roll Call/Introductions

1. Seating of Appointed Members

Following roll call a quorum of appointed members was declared to be present.

2. Election of At-Large Members

The first order of business was the election of 10 At-Large members. Five of the At-Large members represent specific interests. They have all reapplied to represent those same interests. Those five are:

- Cary Denison, Environmental
- Hugh Sanburg, Industrial
- Neal Schwieterman, Recreational
- Steve Shea, Agricultural
- Adam Turner, Local Domestic Water Provider

There are no other applications for those positions.

Bill Nesbitt moved to reappoint the five members to the same seats. Bill Trampe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

There are 7 applications for the remaining 5 At-Large seats. A 2/3 vote by the original appointed members for each seat is required, and at least 3 of the remaining seats have to have water rights. Ballots were passed out. The four incumbents were all reappointed by unanimous vote.

- Steve Fletcher
- Frank Kugel
- Dixie Luke
- Ron Shaver

The three new applicants; Bruce Bair, Fred Raisch and Gail Schwartz, divided the votes. According to the bylaws another ballot was passed out. A third ballot was passed out and Bruce Bair was appointed the final seat.

Roll call was done again to assure that a quorum still existed. A quorum was declared present.

Approve Agenda

Interim Chair Tom Alvey stated there were a few changes proposed to the agenda. First, after the reports from committees, Hannah Holm has a project she would like to report on, John Justman has a project he would like to discuss, and the Roundtable also needs to appoint IBCC representatives.

Austin Kaiser moved to approve the agenda as amended. Ron Shaver seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Approve October 5, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Bill Nesbitt moved to approve the October 5, 2015 meeting minutes as presented. Marti Whitmore seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Report from the IBCC Representatives

Bill Trampe had no IBCC report.

Report from the Educational Committee

With George Sibley's resignation from the Roundtable, there was no report for the Educational Committee.

Tom Alvey asked Hannah Holm if there was anything she would like to discuss. Hannah stated that she will try to get with George sometime soon. They had been contemplating meeting with other water shed groups to see if they can work together on some project. She will be happy to work on that with whoever becomes the new Education and Outreach Committee Chair.

John McClow suggested that they should get a volunteer to chair this committee because the chair has also filled the roll as the liaison to the statewide Public Educational Public Outreach group, which is a formal statewide effort that provides a budget for each of the Roundtables to do educational work.

Marti Whitmore stated she would be interested in the position, and the members agreed and appointed Marti to the position of Educational Committee Chairperson.

Report from the CWCB Representative

John McClow stated the CWCB had a work session early in October to try to fine tune the Colorado Water Plan. It was a very productive meeting. They worked with staff to better define some of the terms. The CWCB rewrote some sections and instructed the staff to rewrite some other sections. Another draft is due Friday, November 6. There will be one last chance to edit it and then it will be presented to the Governor on November 19th on the second day of the CWCB meeting in Denver. After that there is a reception scheduled to celebrate the announcement of the plan. It is by invitation only so if anyone would like to be invited let John know. The meeting is at the History Colorado Center in Denver.

Report from the BIP Committee

Frank Kugel stated the BIP Committee has not met since the last GBRT meeting. Frank said he spoke with Greg Johnson last week. Greg said there is about a \$20,000 balance in the grant with the CWCBC for the Phase II work. Greg is working with folks on the Grand Mesa on the reservoir dam inventory work. Ron Shaver said that Greg sent him some information and the Water Users and Conservancy Districts are scheduled to meet with him.

3. Hannah Holm - Preproposal

Hannah Holm presented an idea for a proposal to get high school students together from a couple of different basins in the state to learn something about their own basin and then the other basin. They will tour each other's basins and share some learning that way. They would be interacting at the Keystone Science School and also would be river rafting together.

Hannah went over what the agenda would be for a one week program. She provided a budget for the project as well. The Roundtable members discussed the idea and asked for more details on the budget and what the hoped for outcome would be. Hannah said she hoped to get some ideas from the Roundtable, and was trying to find out from the Roundtable if there was any support and if it was worth putting together a proposal. Some suggestions were made, and a request for a more concise budget was made. There were concerns that the program had too much recreational activity and not enough curriculum scheduled.

Hannah said she will take the Roundtable's feedback to the promoters of the program, and if they can come up with some more information, she will come back to discuss it more in the future.

4. Handout from Colorado Water Wise – John Justman

John Justman provided a handout from a group called Colorado Water Wise. The group is in the early stages of preparing a WRSA grant requesting funds for a storm water educational campaign. John said the idea is to get people to think about what they're doing. They are looking for as much as \$5,000 from the Gunnison Basin Roundtable. They already have grants approved from the Metro and Colorado Basin Roundtables. The proposal will be discussed more at the next meeting.

5. Meeting Schedule

Several members have requested to revisit the meeting schedule and to discuss the frequency of the meetings. Currently the Gunnison Basin Roundtable has 9 official meetings per year. It has been suggested to go to 6 meetings per year or even quarterly meetings.

Marti Whitmore asked what the duties of the Roundtable are envisioned to be moving forward. John McCloy said there are 3 things; education and outreach, implementing the BIP as much as possible with the limited resources we have available, and SWSI 2016

will be before us this next year. In addition, there is the water supply reserve account to manage.

Bill Trampe mentioned that the Gunnison Basin Roundtable remains timely and on task where other roundtables that only meet quarterly have fallen behind. John McClow suggested a bi-monthly meeting schedule may work. It was agreed if the schedule gets tight then the Roundtable can add another meeting or go back to the previous 9-month meeting schedule.

Bill Nesbitt moved to change the meeting schedule to bi-monthly, on the first Monday of every other month, beginning February 1, 2016. Mark Roeber seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Meeting dates for 2016 will be February 1, April 4, June 6, August 1, October 3, and December 5.

John McClow moved to have the next meeting be February 1, 2016. Frank Kugel seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

6. **Gunnison Basin Roundtable - Election of Officers**

The Gunnison Basin Roundtable needs to elect a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and Recorder.

Frank Kugel nominated Hugh Sanburg for Chairperson. There were no other nominations. Mark Roeber (or John McClow) seconded, and the motion carried.

John McClow nominated Frank Kugel for Vice-Chairperson. Hugh Sanburg seconded the motion then immediately moved that nominations cease and Frank Kugel be elected by acclamation. The motion was seconded by some unnamed suspect and that acclamation motion carried unanimously.

Allen Distel nominated Mike Berry as Recorder. Marti Whitmore seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

7. **Gunnison Basin Roundtable - Appoint IBCC Representatives**

The Gunnison Basin Roundtable needs to appoint IBCC representatives. The current representatives are: Bill Trampe, Rick Brinkman, and Joanne Fagan as the alternate.

John McClow moved to retain current recumbents. Marti Whitmore seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

8. **Grant Application Information – David Kanzer**

The River District is going forward with another grant application under the Regional Conservation Partnership Program. The grant is for \$10 million dollars for infrastructure in the lower Gunnison Basin. There is a deadline of November 10, 2015.

Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Gunnison Basin Roundtable will be at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, February 1, 2016, at the Holiday Inn Express in Montrose.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Roundtable, the meeting adjourned at 5:37 p.m.

Mike Berry, Recorder

Action Items

None.