



Arkansas Basin Roundtable

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Arkansas Basin Roundtable Executive Committee Meeting
Wednesday June 14, 2023, 10:30 am
Pueblo Convention Center
320 Central Main St,
Pueblo Colorado

1. Executive Committee/Guests Present

Mark Shea – Chair	Abba Aahmed – Aurora	Jonathan Paklaian
Bob Hamel – Vch Env/Rec	Water	Doug Brgoch
Jeris Danielson - IBCC	Steve Kastner – Vch Cons	Russ Sands
Al Tucker – Recorder (ex)	Gracy Goodwin – NAC	Sarah Mudge
Sandy White – Past Chair	Greg Felt – CWCB	
Jeff Rodriguez - CWCB	Terry Scanga – Upper Ark	

2. Greetings, Introductions, Establish Quorum

- Mark called on Sandy White to introduce Doug Brgoch to the Executive Committee to fulfill the Water Right Seat currently vacant. Sandy introduced Doug as a past Water Commissioner and current La Veta town Mayor, as well as, many other qualifying positions Doug has held in his career.
- Mark called the meeting to order noting there was a quorum present.
- Mark asked if anyone wanted to add to the Agenda. Agenda approved/no changes.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting – Amendments & Approval

- Mark asked for amendments or changes to the May 10th Minutes hearing none called for consensus to approve the May 10, 2023 Executive Committee Minutes.

4. Reoccurring Matters

- **Chair Comments** – Mark gave a brief summation from attending the Water Quality Summit at the Otero Jr. College stating it was well attended by both Colorado and Kansas water users. Mark pointed out the drought problems inflicting water along the Arkansas River that had been discussed. Mark discussed the Water Quality Control Division policy documents outlining water protections regarding water rights and agricultural needs. Mark also discussed the Supreme Court Ruling on water rights and the changes these decisions have made within Colorado regarding small water users and domestic wells.
- **Outstanding Reports – Executive Committee Members**

5. Roundtable Business

- Other – Bob Hamel asked about a Forum grant for the work being done with regards to the education and outreach programs that they're responsible for since the deadline for the submissions is nearing. Jeff Rodriguez replied that the WSRF grants and the Water Plan grants may become available with the inclusion of new funding coming available. To be considered is the WSRF grants may be the grant program to be considered due to its wider approval criteria. Gracy Goodwin confirmed either grant could be appropriate a lot depends on timing of the application process



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- Mark discussed filling our roster regarding vacancies and the need for members to continue looking for candidates. Bob said he is looking at some of the lower basin communities to fill some of these vacancies.

6. Upcoming Meetings

- Arkansas Basin Roundtable – July 12, 2023
 - o Executive Committee – 10:30am
 - o Roundtable – 12:30pm
- Committees
 - o Needs Assessment – As Necessary
 - o PEPOW – TBD
 - o Environmental/Recreation Committee – June 26, 2023 (10:00 am)
 - o Agriculture/Municipal Committee – TBD
 - o IBCC – October 17, 2023
- CWCB Board Meeting – July 19-20 Gunnison Basin (hybrid)
- C-9 Summit, November 14, South Platte Basin, specific time & location TBD

7. Adjourn

- Mark called for adjournment at 12pm.

- ----- Committee membership: Mark Shea (Chair), Bob Hamel (Vice Chair-Non-Consumptive), Steve Kastner (Vice Chair-Consumptive), Al Tucker (Recorder), Sandy White (Past-Chair), Greg Felt (CWCB), Jeris Danielson (IBCC), Terry Scanga (IBCC), Tim Canterbury (IBCC Alternate), Gracy Goodwin (Needs Assessment), Vacant (Legislative Rep), Vacant (ARWC Board Member), Sara Mudge (ARWC Board Member) Additional distribution: Jeff Rodriguez (CWCB Staff), Vacant (Secretary), Jonathan Paklaian (ARWC Director)