



Arkansas Basin Roundtable

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Arkansas Basin Roundtable Executive Committee Meeting Minutes and Recorded Decisions

Wednesday October 9, 2024

Start Time: 10:30 am

**Pueblo Community College, Student Center Building
900 W. Orman Avenue
Pueblo, CO 81004**

Executive Committee/ Guests Present

Mark Shea

Jean VanPelt

Tim Canterbury

Al Tucker

Greg Felt

Matt Heimrich

Abba Ahmed

Gracy Goodwin

Bob Hamel

Terry Scanga

Jeris Danielson

Jeff Rodriguez

1. Greetings, Introductions, Establishment of a Quorum – Mark confirmed a quorum was present.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting – Amendments & Approval – Mark called for any changes or amendments to the minutes from the previous meeting hearing none, minutes approved.

3. Reoccurring Matters –

- Chair Comments –

- Mark discussed the C9 Summit held in October reviewing the latest discussions taken place with past chairs of other Roundtables and went over the topics they discussed.
 - Discussed were some of the challenges of the hybrid meetings currently occurring?
 - Another topic was agendas and adhering to them if another topic arises of importance.
 - Of another concern was frequency of meetings, as the Ark Basin Roundtable is one of the few with monthly meetings and perhaps varying the locations.
 - Mark referred to Jean VanPelt for other areas of importance. Jean added that recruitment is an area of importance. Adding that press releases of our funding local projects may demonstrate to these communities how beneficial participating on the Roundtables could be. Jean added that when we reach out to these municipalities send them a copy of the CWCB guide showing what the Roundtables do and their importance to the communities they serve. Mark asked if Jeff Rodriguez could develop a recruitment letter. Jeff will follow through on this. The question of how to approach the counties for recruiting and filling their available seats. Al Tucker suggested first approach the County Commissioners representing all their districts then with their concurrence approach the County Seat for the Muni Rep. Terry Scanga suggested we approach municipalities individually and continue meeting Pueblo as it is centrally located.
- A suggestion from Jeff is Roundtable members serve for five year terms, but stagger their term dates. This allows fresh views and awareness on the Roundtables. Of issue is when a member no longer serves on the Roundtable they should inform their nominating committee so that their position is filled.



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- Mark considered putting forth a Roundtable discussion for input on the operation of our Roundtable programs and procedures.
- Mark discussed the upcoming Executive Committee elections scheduled for our Annual meeting today.
- Mark suggested Meeting Topics and their need for receptiveness at sessions.

- Outstanding Reports – Executive Committee Members

4. Roundtable Business

- Upcoming Annual Meeting Elections
 - Mark inquired about members interested in positions available for this year's elections

5. Upcoming Meetings

- **Arkansas Basin Roundtable – November 13, 2024**

- Executive Committee – 10:30am
- Roundtable – 12:30pm

Committees

- Needs Assessment - TBD February 2025, Zoom
- PEPO - October 17, 2024, 10:30 - 11:30 am, Zoom
- Environmental/Rec Committee - October 28, 2024, 10:00-12:00, Zoom
- Agriculture/Municipal Committee 3–7pm November 8, 2024, @ Otero Jr. Collage. Contact Dan Tucker
- ARWC - November 4, 2024, 10:00am -1:00pm, Zoom
- CWCB Board Meeting – November 20-21 – Denver Metro
- IBCC – February 2025
- Water Congress Annual Conference, January 29-31, 2025, Aurora
- Arkansas River Basin Water Forum, March 5-6, 2025, Pueblo

7. Adjourn

Executive Committee membership: Mark Shea (Chair), Bob Hamel (Vice Chair-Non-Consumptive), Jeffery DeHerrera (Vice Chair-Consumptive), Al Tucker (Recorder), vacant (Past-Chair), Greg Felt (CWCB), Jeris Danielson (IBCC), Terry Scanga (IBCC), Tim Canterbury (IBCC Alternate), Gracy Goodwin (Needs Assessment), Ariel Hacker (PEPO)

Additional distribution: Jeff Rodriguez (CWCB Staff), Jonathan Paklaian (ARWC Director), Jean Van Pelt (RT Admin)