

COCONINO PLATEAU WATER ADVISORY COUNCIL
501(c)(4)
BOARD/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Friday, February 28, 2014

LOCATION: USGS Building #3, 2255 N. Gemini Drive, Flagstaff, AZ 86001

1. Call to Order

Chair Mandy Metzger called the meeting to order at approximately 9:00 AM

PRESENT

Mandy Metzger, Coconino County
John Davison, Coconino NRCD
John Martinez, City of Sedona
Amanda Acheson, Coconino County
Krystal Creek (sp?), Councilor Phelps
Deborah Tosline, Bureau of Reclamation
Mary Reece, Bureau of Reclamation
Ron Doba, CPWAC

2. Approval of the Minutes from the 1/31/2014 CPWAC Board/Executive Meeting

John Martinez made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by John Davison and carried.

3. Consideration of General Liability and Directors & Officers Insurance

Ron Doba handed out a spreadsheet with quotes from insurance companies. State Farm had indicated they would be submitting a quote for D&O insurance but it has not been received yet. More information is also due from John Creps. Currently the best quotes are from Wells Fargo for both general liability and D&O insurance. The board unanimously agreed Ron should proceed with obtaining both coverages for both organizations from Wells Fargo unless better quotes come in by next week. A motion was not made.

4. Legislative Day Update

Ron reported the Legislative Day is planned for June 12th at the Prescott Valley Library. An invitation letter has gone out to six gubernatorial candidates. Michael Lacey from ADWR has committed to be a speaker. Congressman Gosar was asked to be the keynote speaker but he has a schedule conflict. Ron will try for Senator Flake. We may also try to get Steve Pierce as a speaker. Brief presentations will be given by the co-sponsors (NAMWUA, CPWAC, and YCWAC). Emails with "Save the Date" information have gone out to 183 people.

Mandy indicated she will be meeting with the Acting Commissioner of Reclamation next week. John Davison reported on State bills that deal with the NRCDs.

5. Bylaws Discussion Relating to Voting Membership and Common Board

Ron started the discussion by reviewing information he had found that discussed common boards on affiliated 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Although not required, the information indicates that it may be beneficial to have different individuals on each board to demonstrate the organizations are truly separate. Ron was suggesting the bylaws be amended to permit a common board but not require it. Some individuals may be able to serve on the CPWP board but not the CPWAC board due to the lobbying activities.

Ron indicated this item was on the agenda because the question had been raised by Supervisor Archuleta whether Coconino County still had two votes on the CPWAC. Mandy indicated the reason for two votes was that previous to becoming a non-profit the County was providing all the support for the CPWAC. She believed the Board of Supervisors is comfortable with one vote now that the situation has changed. Ron stated the current bylaws do not indicate the number of votes a voting member or participant is allowed to have. There is also some question who are the voting participants and who are not voting participants. Ron will query the participants to update the status of participants.

Ron will prepare draft bylaws amendments that address the common board and number of votes per participant for both organizations and references to "members" for the CPWAC.

6. Financial Report

Ron reviewed the CPWAC financial report ending January 31, 2014.

7. CPWAC Adjournment

The board meeting adjourned at approximately 9:40 AM