

**MINUTES**  
Coconino Plateau Watershed Partnership  
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Wednesday, May 29, 2015  
10:00 A.M.

**USGS Building #3**  
**2255 N. Gemini Drive, Flagstaff, Arizona**

**Present**

Mandy Metzger, Coconino County  
John Martinez, City of Sedona  
Ray Benally, Navajo Nation  
Abe Springer, NAU  
Rusty Tweed, Woodson Engineering  
Thomas Siyuja, Sr., Havasupai Tribe  
Dalton Zanetti, Oak Creek Watershed Council  
Judy Sultrop, Ann Kirkpatrick's Office  
Karen Modesto, ADWR  
Ruth Greenhouse, ADWR  
Ed Schenk, Grand Canyon National park  
Larry Stevens, MNA – SSI  
Pete Shearer, Tusayan Sanitary District  
Charles Mosley, City of Sedona  
Sybil Smith, ADEQ  
Martha Hahn, Grand Canyon Park  
Einav Henenson, ADWR  
Erin Young, City of Flagstaff  
Hannah Griscom, AZGFD  
Ron Doba, CPWAC/CPWP  
Deborah Tosline, Bureau of Reclamation  
Kayci Cook Collins, National Park Service  
Jim Duffield, Hopi Tribe

**1. Welcome and Introductions**

Chair Mandy Metzger opened the meeting at approximately 10:00 A.M. Self-introductions were made by all present.

**2. Approval of Minutes – Meeting of March 25, 2015**

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

**3. Action Items**

**A. Approval of minutes from Strategic Planning Retreat 4/24/2015**

## **(1) Next Steps, Action Plan**

Ron discussed the minutes from the retreat that were provided by Holly Yeager. He questioned if the \$1.5 million to complete the 30% design includes the pipeline segment from Cameron to Flagstaff. Deborah confirmed that it did. The other item was the interpretation of the level of the financial reserve. Ron recalled the group had agreed the level of reserve should be one year's operating expenses, not \$100,000.

John Martinez expressed concern that the issues from the retreat need to be prioritized so the list is not overwhelming. Deborah indicated she would like to present the prioritized tasks in June and a more general approach on how the tasks can be accomplished in July.

Mandy asked Ron to have the committees bring their prioritized tasks (from the retreat) to the Executive Committee in June. The goal is to have a work plan for the Executive Committee in August.

John Martinez made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected by Ron Doba. The motion was seconded by Kayci Cook Collins and carried.

## **4. Non-Action Items**

### **A. Presentation: Springs Stewardship Institute**

Ron introduced Dr. Larry Stevens from the Springs Stewardship Institute who gave a presentation on the work the Institute has been doing. Dr. Steven's presentation can be found on the CPWAC website.

## **5. Committee Reports**

### **A. CPWP Technical Advisory Committee**

Deborah reported the TAC had a conference call yesterday. There was nothing new to report.

### **B. Public Outreach Committee**

Kayci reported on the Youth Council event that was coming up for a storm water recapture project. The group is also discussing how the speaker's bureau should be handled. The possibility of becoming more of a clearing house for speakers instead of supplying them is being discussed.

### **C. Government Affairs Committee**

Ron reported the Committee is reorganizing and Brad Hill may be the new chair. He also discussed the "Net Blue" proposal to come up with a water neutral growth ordinance. Information on "Net Blue" was handed out and a solicitation was made for participation. Mandy indicated we should ask the group to talk to us to learn more about the effort.

## **6. Member Corner**

Ruth Greenhouse and Einav Henenson gave a presentation on ADWR's water conservation programs.

## **7. CPWP Member Roundtable**

Kayci reported she would get an email out to everyone on some upcoming Walnut Canyon activities.

Jim Duffield reported the Hopi have received a grant to do watershed restoration in Keams Canyon.

Karen Modesto provided handouts from their recent Colorado River shortage meeting.

Sybil reported WIFA is now doing grants for "green" infrastructure. There is an upcoming presentation in Prescott.

Abe Springer reported they are monitoring the El Nino and the Fall Town Hall is on water.

Ray reported on the upcoming U of A Water Resources Center conference next week.

Dalton reported the Oak Creek Watershed Council is working on low impact infrastructure and landscaping in a Sedona neighborhood and holding workshops on the same.

Deborah reported Reclamation has funding opportunities for staff. She is applying for a project that would install gabions in channels for flow management and is looking for partners (to collaborate on a location).

Charles reported Sedona is drilling another injection well.

Pete Shearer reported the comment period ends June 2<sup>nd</sup> with the Forest Service for the Tusayan road and utility improvements necessary for the new development.

Larry Stevens gave the dates for the upcoming Springs Stewardship workshop in Durango.

## **8. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 12:00 P.M.