

MINUTES
Coconino Plateau Watershed Partnership
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Friday, July 25, 2014
9:30 A.M.

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

Present

Art Babbott, Coconino County
John Martinez, City of Sedona
Mary Reece, Bureau of Reclamation
Ron Doba, CPWP
Karen Modesto, ADWR
Deborah Tosline, Bureau of Reclamation
Thomas Siyuja Sr., Havasupai Tribe
Ray Benally, Navajo Nation
David Newlin, LCRP RC&D
Tom Klimas, Westland Resources
George Mase, Hopi Tribe
John Davison, CNRCD
Brad Hill, City of Flagstaff
Don Bills, USGS
Judy Sulltrop, Congresswoman Kirkpatrick's office
Ben Tobin, NPS/GCNP
Jane Rodgers, NPS/GCNP
Leo Manheimer, Navajo Nation
Amanda Acheson, Coconino County
Joanne Keene, Coconino County
Clint Chandler, Senator Flake's Office
Charles Mosley, City of Sedona

Some attendees did not sign in

1. Welcome and Introductions

Chair Mandy Metzger opened the meeting at approximately 9:35 A.M.
Self-introductions were made by all present.

2. Approval of Minutes – Meeting of June 27, 2014

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

3. Action Items

A. Election of Officers for FY2015 and FY2016

Ron Doba provided the background for the officer and board election requirements per the CPWP bylaws. The recent bylaws changes do not require the board members for the CPWAC and CPWP to be the same individuals. A nominating committee had determined Mandy Metzger, Mark Woodson, John Martinez and John Davison were willing to continue to be considered. Don Bills had also indicated he was willing to serve but could not vote on issues involving the Federal Government. John Martinez made a motion to nominate Mandy Metzger as Board Chair. The motion was seconded by John Davison and unanimously carried. Brad Hill made a motion to nominate Mark Woodson as Vice Chair. The motion was seconded by John Martinez and unanimously carried. John Davison made a motion to nominate John Martinez as Secretary/Treasurer. The motion was seconded by Brad Hill and unanimously carried. John Martinez made a motion to nominate John Davison as an at-large board member. The motion was seconded by Brad Hill and carried unanimously. Brad Hill nominated Don Bills as an at-large board member. The motion was seconded by John Martinez and carried unanimously.

John Davison suggested the bylaws be amended to provide for four at-large board members instead of two.

4. Non-Action Items

A. Presentation on City of Sedona Recharge Project

Charles Mosley was introduced by John Martinez. Charles Provided a PowerPoint presentation titled The Sedona Effluent Management Master Plan: Past, Present, and Future. The presentation can be seen on the CPWAC/CPWP website. Charles was asked if there was a market for the resale of the effluent and indicated there was not due to the location of the plant. The City is also hoping that effluent credits can be obtained from the recharge in the future.

5. Committee Reports

A. CPWP Technical Advisory Committee

Deborah Tosline reported the Red Gap Ranch effort is doing calibration right now. For the North Central Study, the geotechnical work is being worked on for the Hopi alignment. We should hear about the WaterSMART Grant application next month. Deborah has contacted an economics professor at NAU to see if a student may be interested in working on the Economics/Social aspect of the sustainable water management effort. Mandy suggested we could talk to the Diablo Trust regarding the economic/social aspects. They have done work in that area.

The USFS has also proposed a directive that will impact water use from Forest Service land. The comments are due by August 4th. Mandy asked Joanne to draft a letter requesting an extension on the comment period as most of the folks in the room were unaware of the proposal. If the comment period is extended we should ask for a presentation by the Forest Service at our next meeting.

B. Public Outreach Committee

Amanda Acheson reported the Public Outreach Committee met yesterday. The Festival of Science event will be September 20th and John Davison will be manning the booth. If anyone can help they should contact Amanda. The POC is gearing up for the 4th grade water ethics contest. They have decided to move forward with the Youth Council as service learning projects. They are also considering continuing the efforts for the film project.

NOTE: The meeting was temporarily adjourned at 10:47 A.M. and reconvened at 10:52 A.M. to consider an item (Item 3.A.) on the CPWAC agenda.

6. Member Corner

Amanda Acheson provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Coconino County Sustainable Building Program. The presentation is posted on the CPWAC/CPWP website.

7. CPWP Roundtable

John Martinez reported that Coconino County has implemented a hands free cell phone regulation that has caused Sedona to do the same (Sedona is part in Coconino County and part in Yavapai County). Sedona will also be doing a laser light show on the red rocks for the holidays.

Deborah Tosline reported she had met Johnathan Metzke that has developed a business model using very minimal resources. He could be a good speaker for the future. Ron asked for his information.

Brenda Smith reported the US F&W Service published a number of proposed rules lately dealing with critical habitat and the final listing for the Zuni blue head sucker as endangered species.

George Mase reported the Hopi were issuing permits for elk.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:22 A.M.