

Barr Lake/Milton Reservoir Watershed Association

BMW Board Meeting
March 23, 2010 - 9:00am - 12:00pm
Metro Wastewater Reclamation District, Board Room

Draft MINUTES

Board Attendance:

- Laurie Rink - FRICO
Shelley Stanley - Northglenn
Alice Conovitz - Integral Consulting, Inc.
Jill Piatt-Kemper - Aurora
Steven Janssen - Henrylyn
Michelle Seubert - Barr Lake State Park
Blair Corning - S. Adams Co.
Sarah Reeves - SPCURE
Steve Lundt - Metro
Kipp Scott - ECCV
Vic Lucero - Thornton
Kelly DiNatale - United

Public Attendance:

Joni Nuttle - CDPHE

Meeting Objectives

- Committee Updates and Action Items
Phased TMDL approach
Hire next coordinator
Plan for April meeting

1. Opening

Attendance sheet was passed around along with the in-kind hours log book. Minutes from 01/26/10 were e-mailed out prior to the meeting. The minutes were unanimously approved. Steve Lundt will finalize the minutes.

2. Updates and Action Items

CDPHE Update - Tammy will not resume her position as watershed coordinator for the BMW group. Lucia M. will be the main contact for CDPHE. For the grant, Alice W. will do monthly billing and will get one out soon to CDPHE. It has been a while since BMW has submitted a bill to CDPHE.

Integral Update - Integral's contract ended on March 20th. Alice W. provided two addenda for the Association to sign. The first addendum is to extend the existing contract to end on 12/31/10 and to leave it wide open to cover the transition to the next coordinator. This will spend the left over \$15K and will probably cost around \$6,000. The second addendum was for finalizing the 319 report not to exceed \$10,000 (this is paid by the grant). Alice and Mike R. will be the lead contacts for both addenda. The board unanimously approved both addenda.

Contract Updates - Integral contract over and there is \$5,701 remaining plus the additional \$15,300 that was not used for the watershed plan update. Integral will use the \$5,701 for the transition to the next coordinator. AECOM's contract has about \$4,300 remaining in the TMDL project.

Treasurer's Report – There is \$123,400 in the BMW bank account. \$43,700 has come in as dues for 2010/11. Alice listed those that have joined BMW.

Coordinator Search – Vic Lucero provided the board with a summary of the three candidates and how the interviews went. Glenn Patterson, Mary Stahl, and Amy Conklin/Susan Thornton were the three that were interviewed. Vic then gave the hiring committee's recommendation to hire Amy Conklin/Susan Thornton as the new coordinators. The cost would be \$58,925 for one year with a 6 month evaluation to see how the contract estimates are going. Laurie R. proposed to have a contingency approved by the board to allow for over runs if they happen. Laurie R. also provided a draft contract that she modified from Integral's contract. Laurie removed the insurance requirement. The board discussed that the executive committee has the authority to approve less than \$5,000 over runs and the new coordinator will provide monthly updates of their contract like Integral does. The board approved unanimously to hire Amy Conklin/Susan Thornton and to prepare accordingly for any over runs.

3. Committee Updates

Technical Committee: Steve Lundt gave the committee update. Steve said that the committee is working on the logistics of conducting the limnocorral studies without the grant money. Steve is looking into seeing how much they are and how soon they can be delivered. Ken W. stated that by just putting them in with just an aerator, you will be able to witness some water quality changes. The state said that we would need a discharge permit if we were to use alum in the corrals. The board unanimously agreed to move forward with the limnocorrals and that BMW would have enough money to pay for them. Steve L. will purchase 4 limnocorrals and an aeration system. Steve L. will write up a monitoring plan for these studies also.

Information/Education: Michelle Seubert gave the committee update. Michelle S. stated that it is most likely that she will get the Adams Co. Open Space grant again for about \$3,500 and the money will be used for give-aways at Lake Appreciation Month event. Like last year, the major groups will be contacted to see if they can bring their people. FRICO is donating the lunch and Michelle is putting together a big poster for the event. There is money from the grant that Lucia said can be used for public education and outreach for the TMDL. Laurie checked with Lucia and we can spend the money but not on food and other such items. The new coordinator might have an idea on how to spend roughly \$20K on a public outreach campaign. Steve handed out the most recent newsletter.

Budget Committee: Kipp Scott gave the update. Steve L. passed around a summary sheet explaining the differences between a 501(c)3 and 501(c)6. The board unanimously agreed to change the nonprofit status in order to be eligible for grants. Steven J. offered his assistance on what ever was decided. There is a fee to file for the different NP status and it will cost about \$850. One idea for spending the remaining \$20K grant money is to have a Manager's Conference and target the City Managers which will spread to the elected officials. Laurie will check with Lucia on this idea and if the grant can pay for this kind of public outreach. Kipp S. sent around a 5-yr estimate on how much money is needed for special studies. Based on the analysis of the coordinator contract and how much money comes in for dues, it was the Budget Committee's recommendation to the board to increase the 2011/12 dues to \$12,000 for

Sustaining, \$4,000 for Active, and \$1,200 for Supporting. It is estimated that these dues increases would cover the needed \$50,000 annual to do special studies. A couple of board members had to leave so there was not a quorum present to vote. This recommendation will be discussed via e-mail and voted on at the next board meeting. Vic L. also added that he would like to see a maximum amount that can be in the bank incase less studies are done and there is an opportunity to lower dues.

Implementation Subgroup: Sarah Reeves gave the committee update. Steve Lundt just e-mailed around the latest draft version of the TMDL from Ken Wagner so the workgroup to write the phased TMDL has not done it yet so the next meeting has been canceled.

Watershed Plan Committee: No report

4. Finalize agenda for Stakeholder Meeting

Alice C. will write up an agenda outline and get it to Amy C. Integral will give a good-bye speech at the meeting. The new coordinator will be introduced. Metro will give a talk about the new Northern treatment plant. There will be a brief update on the DIA spill into 3rd creek. Also, the draft phased TMDL and implementation plan will be presented to the stakeholders.

5. New Business/Topics

Sarah R. stated that the BMW Association can put up their poster at the upcoming Meet & Greet at the Aquarium during the national monitoring convention.

It is time again to revisit and update the BMW vision, mission, values, and goals statements. They were passed around and were last updated in 2006.

6. Next Meeting

Next board meeting will be May 25, 2010 from 9am to Noon at Metro.

Next Stakeholder meeting will be April 27, 2010, from 9am to noon.