

NEWSLETTER

Volume 1, October 2016

NEXT MEETING GERWCD:

November 17, 7:00 pm
Northgate Fire Station
16801 Northgate Drive
Parker, CO 80134

What's New with Water?

- Chambers Reservoir
- USGS Water Level Monitoring
- Budget Hearing
- Board of Directors Minutes 9-15-16

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Chambers Reservoir ACWWA Water Quality Monitoring Program Begins

In compliance with the court-ordered stipulation between Arapahoe County Water and Wastewater Authority (ACWWA) and Grandview Estates Rural Water Authority (GERWCD) to replace the program terminated by United Water and Sanitation District ((UWSD to continue to determine possible impacts on the private Grandview Wells. Two of the Dawson wells in GERWCD (GE1 and GE2) were in the original UWSD program and an additional well (GE3) has been screened also in the alluvial aquifers. Monthly sampling includes two Chambers reservoir samples; five monitoring wells; two in the Dawson aquifer (D1 and D2); three in the alluvial aquifer (S1, S2, and S3) and the three GERWCD wells already herein identified. Initial results for analytes that exceed a maximum contaminant level are GE1 for iron and GE3 for manganese. Follow up resampling results have not been received. The UWSD Final report can be found at:

<http://www.bucknam.com/GERWCD/UWSDFinal.pdf>

USGS Water Level Monitoring

The water level program for 2016 has been completed and the final report is available at:

http://grandviewestatesparker.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/07/GrandviewEstates_Memo_June2016_final_small.pdf

Overall, it is good news. The water levels in the wells monitored have been rising in all 18 wells, averaging 5.9' in the Dawson aquifer and 7.5' in the Denver aquifer. The bad news is that the USGS can no longer provide matching funds. In the USGS 2016 fiscal year, the network of wells was measured in February and June, 2016, which were included in the report. Another measurement was made in October to kick off the 2017 program. One Denver well has a level transducer which was provided by the Rural Water Authority of Douglas County's program and another transducer is installed on well GE2, which includes level, temperature and specific conductance.

Preliminary discussions regarding the 2017 program resulted in budget planning to support water level monitoring every two months as practiced in 2010 and 2013, since measurement was less frequent in 2015 (3 times) and 2016 (twice). Five measurements per year has been the norm (2009, 2011, 2012, and 2014); however, the cost has gone up due to the addition of wells. Wells GE1 and GE3 are planned to be added this year.

2017 Budget Hearing

The draft 2017 budget was discussed at the September 15, 2016, meeting in order to meet the October 15, 2016, presentation deadline. The budget hearing was conducted on October 20, 2017. Major budget items are carried in the General Fund as follows: Accounting, Internal Audit, Legal,



Adjudication/ Opposition, Education/ Communication, Water Level, Water Quality and Contingency. The certification of the mil levy will be completed at the November meeting.

Board of Directors Minutes 9-15-16

Roll call – Directors, Bucknam, Haselhorst and Kraser present, Director Acree was absent, Director Hill was excused and was available by phone. **Approval of agenda** – motion passed. **Public Comments** – None **Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes** – 8/18/2016 passed by motion. **Presentations** – None. **Officer Reports** – President and Chairman of the Board, no report, Vice-Chair, no report, Treasurer, August, one deposit and one legal bill, balance \$27,865.62. Secretary – Reviewed ACWWA minutes - they are working on discharge pipeline for Chambers Reservoir. **Committee reports** – none.

Old Business - SWSPs. – not related to GERWCD. Resumes – One for a homeowner appears to claim 2.4 acres for a nominal 2.0 acre lot, in the Dawson and Laramie-Fox aquifers. Requires follow-up based on the stipulation with Parker Water and Sanitation. Douglas County-Parker IGA – DR2015-014 Douglas County, Joe Fowler. Open House at Planning scheduled for September 29, 4 PM. IGA15-0007 Parker, Ryan McGee, no progress at Town since meeting. ACWWA Monitoring – Final United Water Report received. First sampling results (8/15/2016) indicate high iron at GE1 and high manganese concentrations at GE3. All others met stipulation requirements. High results to be resampled. CWSD Report and Decree Review – No response from CWSD. Attorney Huff Contact – None, other than bill payment. Financial Records Review Results – no report. IRS Letter for Donations – Estimated cost was higher than anticipated at up to \$1,000.00 according to Director Hill. Director Bucknam made a motion to increase the budget to \$1k, second by Director Kraser and passed unanimously. Director Hill recommended that households in GERWCD do radon testing due to her health issues.

2017 Budget schedule - 8/25/2016 Assessors Deadline assessed value was used to estimate mill levy for budget drafting. October 15, 2016 Treasurer's Deadline to Present Budget to Board – Director Kraser made a motion that the current draft budget discussed at the meeting be accepted to meet the October 15 deadline for annual budget presentation. Second by Director Hazelhorst and passed unanimously. USGS Estimate was discussed and it is proposed to include \$11K for 20 wells bi-monthly for 2017. Legal Estimate was maintained at \$1K and adjudication/opposition was reduced to \$5K with CWSD pending. Internal Audit Estimate placeholder \$1K. December 15, 2016 Deadline to Adopt 2017 Budget and Certify Mill Levy to County, the budget hearing will be conducted at the October meeting as per past practice. January 31, 2017, Deadline for submitting adopted 2017 budget to DOLA.

Chambers Reservoir Liner Repair - According to ACWWA minutes, \$45K is authorized to install a pump to empty Chambers Reservoir. GERWCD was asked to notify the homeowners of the activity. Rocky Mountain Energy Summit – No one attended using free tickets offered to Local Government Designees by the industry. Referrals – SUBDIVISION Minor Development Platt, SKETCH PLAN, and PRELIMINARY PLAN, Compark Village South, September 19, 2016. Information will be provided concerning the differences in the master plan and ordinances vs. development plans presented at the hearing on September 19, 2016. GERWCD Newsletter – Director Bucknam to draft for next meeting discussion.

New Business Missed Deadline for 2015 Audit Exemption- Discussion of the lost application indicated that it was signed by four Directors in January 2016 at the meeting but not received by DOLA. Three Directors prepared and signed a duplicate application on August 31, 2016 and Director Bucknam delivered it to the Office of the State Auditor in order to correct the situation and avoid withholding of mill levy. Director Bucknam made a motion to approve the urgent action taken. Director Hazelhorst seconded and it passed unanimously.

Adjournment- 7:40 PM

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

DRAFT Agenda for 11/17/2016

Meeting 7:00 p.m. South Metro Fire District: Station 45

Roll call – Directors Acree, Bucknam, Haselhorst, Hill and Kraser

Approval of agenda –

Public Comments –

Prior Meeting Minutes – 10/20/2016

Presentations –

Officer Reports –

President and Chairman of the Board

Vice-Chair

Treasurer

Secretary

Committee reports –

Old Business –

SWSPs

Resumes

- Constituent 16CW3109 Water Right Application monitoring.

Douglas County-Parker IGA

ACWWA Monitoring

CWSD Report and Decree Review

Attorney Huff Contact

2017 Budget Schedule – Signing, Submission to DOLA

- December 15, 2016 Deadline to Certify Mill Levy to County
- January 31, 2017, Deadline for submitting adopted 2017 budget to DOLA
- March 31, 2017, Deadline for Exemption from Audit - Financial Statement and application.

Chambers Reservoir Liner Repair

Referrals - Compark South Final Plat, Phase I

GERWCD Newsletter

Renewal of Bonds

Internal Audit

New Business -

USGS Contract

Stonegate Annual Water Usage CA-1

Chambers Reservoir Leak Adjustment

Adjournment

Next Scheduled Meeting 7:00 p.m. South Metro Fire District: Station 45 12/15/2016

