

**Coal Creek Watershed Coalition**  
**ANNUAL MEETING Minutes**  
**February, 9 2011, 9:00-12:00**  
**Crested Butte Town Hall**  
**507 Maroon Ave. Crested Butte, Colorado 81224**

**Attendance:** Nicki Devanny, Anthony Poponi, Harvey Castro, Steve Glazer, John Hess, Jim Starr, Tari Tafi, Kevin McGruther, Robin Wehmeyer, Wendy Brown, Mel Harper, Rodney Due

**Announcements (9:07-9:10)**

- The Colorado Division of Reclamation of Mining and Safety (DRMS) clarified that their contribution to the Non-Point Source grant DRMS money needs to be spent before July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011.
- Robin Wehmeyer has submitted her letter of resignation to the Coal Creek Board of Directors

**AGENDA ITEMS**

**1. Successes and Progress (9:10-9:50)**

The Board discussed a summary of the organization's accomplishments in 2010.

- The CCWC still needs to find a place to put the Forest Queen Mine sign. Will brainstorm ideas, possibly on forest service land.
- Macroinvertebrate samples from 2010 have not analyzed due to lack of funds. Tara suggested use of DRMS money towards this expense. Wendy Brown will create a scope of work/proposal for the Board and DRMS to review.
- The Western Hardrock Watershed Team is willing to start a new 3-year VISTA service with Coal Creek. This position could be used to support the Slate River project as it gets underway.
- The group discussed the CCWC's role in supporting Poo Fest. Steve will ask Kate to put on Poo Fest again.
- The Watershed Restoration and Monitoring Plan will be brought to the Board meeting in March for approval.
- We are waiting for a draft of the Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) report from the Water Quality Control Division.

**Steve moved to amend the agenda to include the discussion of the By-Law changes at the March meeting. John seconded. The motion was approved unanimously. (9:50-9:58)**

- The Board will review the By-Laws during the March Board meeting

## **2. Strategic Plan (9:58-11:34)**

The Board will be reviewing the Strategic Plan annually. The following changes were made to the draft presented electronically prior to the meeting:

- Change the values statement to include fiscal responsibility
- Strengths:
  - Acknowledge core volunteer contributions and commitment
  - Generate data for quality use with versatile benefits in support of mission and goals
- Weaknesses:
  - Eliminate 'call to action'
  - Limited human resources
  - Remove number 6 and incorporate into number 3
- Threats:
  - Change number 3 to include all grant funds
  - Include competition for all resources in the valley
- 1.2 specify sediment samples as Wollman pebble count
- Goal 2 will include projects and program objectives
- 3.1 will be completed annually not on a deadline
- 3.2 will be completed in winter and summer instead of specific months (semi-annual)
- Remove '2011', so it doesn't need to be replaced every year
- Include 3.4 to expand our public communication outlets through a comprehensive communications plan
- 4.3 change the timeline to budget in December to ensure resources for the following year
- 4.4 we will review a quarterly operating plan (we will alter the summary of accomplishments as content for our operating plan) and annually review the strategic plan
- 5.1 take out the last sentence and include operating plan development under objective 2.3
- 5.3 remove 'at least four'
- 6.1 use the term 'sponsorship', include additional watershed support to be considered by the board as it arises

## **Board of Directors Assessment (11:35-12:05)**

Based on the board assessment analysis tool the CCWC Board decided to pursue individuals in these focus areas:

- 35-50 age range (committed to area)
- understanding of endowments
- interest in promoting volunteer recruitment
- interest or skills in fundraising
- human resources or personnel experience

- access to donors/investment, important to include raising money
- Include event planning role as part of future Steering Committee agenda items
- Public relations/media will be included as future Steering Committee agenda items. Harvey will take the lead on this for now.

**Elect New Board Member (12:05-12:10)**

- Steve motioned to add Jim Starr as a board member effective immediately. Harvey seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.**
- Steve Glazer moved to approve a slate of officers with the role of President being filled by Steve, with Mike as Vice-President, and Harvey as Secretary/Treasurer. John seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Meeting Adjourned 12:10**