

# South Platte Water Related Activities Program, Inc.

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## Meeting Minutes of the Interim Board of Directors

June 21, 2007

1. Call to Order

Lisa Darling for President David Little called the Interim Board of Directors meeting at Denver Water to order. There was a quorum of Directors.

2. Additions to the agenda.

Ted Kowalski asked if time allowed discussing current water activities such as leasing water for the Future Depletion Replacement Plan in May and June 2007.

3. Minutes of the April and May 2007 board meetings were adopted. April minutes were adopted at this June meeting because there was not a quorum at last month's meeting.

4. Dennis Harmon presented the financial report with a handout. There is \$5,284.96 in checking and \$1,421,304.35 in money market. Other items pointed out were a receipt of \$48,960.00 from the City of Westminster and a May interest payment on the money market of \$4,881.95. Lisa Darling noted that Aurora's payment has been approved and will be forthcoming. Dennis discussed going with the Vanguard group to increase interest payment. Dennis presented a handout/proposal from Hunt, Spillman & Associates CPA of Ft. Collins to provide financial services to SPWRAP—they recently completed the SPWRAP Federal Non-profit Tax Form 990. The Board approved this proposal from the CPA. The Board approved payments to Trout, Raley, et al for legal services of \$6,012.10 and Hunt/Spillman for tax form preparation of \$650.

5. Kevin Urie discussed printing expenses for SPWRAP stationary with letterhead and envelopes totaling about \$1,200. Lisa Darling mentioned that the City of Aurora print shop might be able to save some dollars. Final decision on printing will be held off until a permanent SPWRAP address is known. Currently the address of Northern Water is utilized. Also discussed was the location to store SPWRAP documents and the schedule and need for hiring a SPWRAP executive director. This discussion will continue at future meetings.

6. Duck's Unlimited (DU) NAWCA Grant Funding.

Greg Kernohan of DU was present and discussed that the South Platte Lower River Group (SPLRG) was providing \$35,000 from a \$150,000 CWCB grant toward the Heyborne NAWCA (North American Waterfowl Conservation Act) recharge/waterfowl project near the Colorado Nebraska Stateline. A request has been made for SPWRAP to contribute \$8,000 to the project. This request for \$8,000 was approved.

Greg also made a power point presentation to the Board on DU activities and future partnering of SPWRAP and DU on a 2007-2008 \$1M NAWCA grant for recharge/waterfowl projects on the lower S. Platte River in Colorado. To obtain the \$1M from NAWCA, Greg is putting together \$2.6M in matching funds from various partners for cash, land easements, and services. Greg proposed that SPWRAP consider contributing \$0.5M over the next two years. He is also making a presentation to the South Platte Roundtable Committee for a \$0.5M contribution from their SB179 funds. These contributions from SPWRAP and SB179 funds will develop recharge projects that provide some of Colorado's water contribution to the PRRIP. After Greg left the meeting, the Board discussed this request and a potential draft commitment letter in July. Jon

Altenhofen will write a Memo describing why this commitment is a good approach and works with future SPWRAP and State efforts on developing PRRIP water contributions. It was pointed out that such funds are included in SPWRAP's current budget. SPWRAP representatives will need control on where the projects are developed so acceptable water credits result. Deb Freeman noted that the commitment letter should state that projects will be mutually agreeable and payment made on a project-by-project basis. Deb will work on a draft commitment letter.

7. Joe Frank discussed the Ovid Reservoir Study. He mentioned that the South Platte Roundtable Committee approved \$176,000 to do the Phase 1 studies. Ted Kowalski noted that the CWCB is also doing part of the study on this reservoir such as the legal issues.
8. Austin Hamre was not present so no discussion or action was taken on a new Class X-3 membership for the Center of Colorado Water Conservancy District. This will be handled at next months Board meeting.
9. Alan Berryman briefly discussed the Federal Depletion issue and their request to SPWRAP for a mechanism in Colorado for water replacements. With time at this meeting running short, this will be discussed next month.
10. Next Meeting:  
July 19, 2007  
NCWCD Board Room at 10:00 am