

Colorado Association of Stormwater and Floodplain Managers
General Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2005 – SEH, Denver, Colorado

Meeting Attendees

Name	Organization
David Mallory - Treasurer	Urban Drainage and Flood Control District
Tom Browning – Vice Chair	Colorado Water Conservation Board
Chris Carlson – Outreach Committee Chair	City of Loveland
John Hunt	Ayres Associates
Robert Krehbiel – Conference Committee Chair	Matrix
David Bennetts	Urban Drainage and Flood Control District
Kevin Gingery – Membership Committee Chair	City of Loveland
Susan Hayes	City of Fort Collins
Kevin Houck	Colorado Water Conservation Board
Jeremy Franz – Scholarship Committee Chair	Ayres Associates
Brad Anderson - Chair	Anderson Consulting Engineers
Debbie Haferman – Northeast Regional Rep.	HEI
David Krickbaum - Secretary	Olsson Associates
Joe Chaplin	City of Loveland
Chuck Childs	SEH
Bill Schenderlein	Applegate Group, Inc.
Aaron Asquith	McLaughlin Rincon

The following is a summary of the interactions, comments and items discussed. While this summary is not intended to represent a complete or comprehensive account of the meeting, it is intended to reflect the salient points raised and issues for further consideration. Should the attendees believe that anything might be misrepresented or misleading, please bring this to the attention of David Krickbaum, CASFM Secretary.

1. Secretary Report - David Krickbaum

With Brad Anderson, Tom Browning, David Mallory, Debbie Haferman, Aaron Asquith and David Krickbaum attending, a quorum was present. Minor corrections to the November 18, 2004 minutes were received from the attendees. The minutes were approved, as corrected, by a motion and vote.

2. Treasurer Report – David Mallory

The Treasurer's Report was presented. The report did not include the checks for Floodplain 101 that had just been received in the amount of approximately \$2000. It was noted that the check for 2004 Colorado Municipal League (CML) had not cleared. Debbie Haferman will follow-up CML to determine CASFM's membership status.

During the November meeting, a question was raised regarding the IRS cash limits for non-profit organizations. David talked to the tax advisor who said the CASFM is within the allowable limits.

The treasurer's report was approved by a motion and vote.

The proposed 2005 budget was presented. Tom Browning questioned whether e-mailing the newsletters and making them available on line could reduce the cost of the newsletters. After discussion it was decided to leave the budget amount of \$5,000 for the newsletters as presented.

Kevin Gingery suggested that the budget for workshops be reduced from \$35,000 to \$30,000. The change was suggested because the Workshop Committee would be identifying needs during the first quarter and would not be incurring expenses until the second quarter.

A \$5,000 budget line item was proposed for the Tsunami Relief Fund. The donation could be directed to the Red Cross or Habitat for Humanity. It was suggested that the donation could be split between the tsunami and a future disaster that could occur. After discussion it was agreed that a \$5,000 donation to the tsunami relief does not preclude CASFM from making an additional donation if another need is identified later in the year. The donation to the Habitat for Humanity was approved with the stipulation that it be used for the tsunami relief.

The 2005 budget was approved by a motion and vote with the suggested change to the workshop budget amount.

3. Regional Representatives' Reports

Aaron Asquith reported that a metro social would be held in February or March. Leif Embertson, 2004/2005 CASFM Scholarship recipient, will be the speaker.

David Thaemert has decided to pursue his PhD in Kentucky. Debbie Haferman will act as the Northeast Regional representative until a replacement for David is found. A social will be planned. Leif Embertson will be the speaker.

No other regional representatives were present.

4. Committee Reports

a) 2005 Conference (Robert Krehbiel) – the call for papers will be sent in January. A theme for the conference was discussed. The attendees discussed and voted on the following themes. The vote for each is noted.

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| ▪ Protecting people, protecting rivers | 4 |
| ▪ Zero revenue floodplain management | 0 |
| ▪ From droughts to tsunamis | 0 |
| ▪ Aren't you glad you live in Colorado | 5 |
| ▪ Global disaster, local answers | 8 |
| ▪ Disaster management, catch the wave | 1 |

After further discussion of the two top themes, additional theme ideas were developed and voted on. The themes and respective votes were:

▪ Natural disasters, local preparedness	0	
▪ Natural disasters, think globally, prepare locally	4	
▪ Global disasters, local preparedness	6	8
▪ Think Globally, prepare locally	6	8

The two top vote getters were voted on a second time. The results of the second vote are noted above. Brad Anderson cast the tie-breaking vote for "Global disasters, local preparedness".

Kevin Houck asked that CASFM reconsider charging a fee to take the CASFM exam. Colorado is the only state to charge a fee. It was explained that the intent of the fee was to cover the costs associated with the review course and review materials. The exam application will be re-worded to clarify the use of the fee.

- b) Floodplain – Kevin Houck reported that there are 93 CFM's in Colorado, which is 10th out of 50 states.
- c) Stormwater Quality – no report was made.
- d) Scholarship (Jeremy Franz) – Leif Embertson's enrollment will be confirmed and the check will be delivered. The committee will be meeting to brainstorm ideas for generating interest in the scholarship.
- e) Outreach (Chris Carlson) – a volunteer is needed to chair the committee.
- f) Membership (Kevin Gingery) – renewals are being received. A current membership count was not available.
- g) Website – Brad Anderson received an e-mail report from Stuart Gardner. The help wanted page is very popular and successful.

5. Discussion of New Committees

- a) Training Committee (Kevin Gingery) – The 2005 action plan for the Training Committee was presented. A questionnaire will be developed in January and responses will be request by the end of February. A list of "off the shelf" training opportunities will be developed. The first workshop will be during the second quarter of 2005.

It was noted that Urban Drainage and Flood Control District will be offering a conference in 2005. It was also noted that AMEC is offering free brown bag CFM training courses. The schedule will be posted on the web site.

- b) GIS Committee – Brad Anderson had thought the GIS Committee could be part of the Training Committee. Brad talked to Jeff Sickles, who indicated that he wanted the GIS committee to go its own direction. Jeff was not present to discuss the committee.

6. Tsunami Relief Donation

This discussion was part of the Treasurer's report.

7. ASFPM Project Award Submittal

Brad Anderson asked who typically prepared and sent the CASFM project award winner to ASFPM, in the past. John Pflaum noted that in the past each award winner prepared their package and sent it to ASFPM along with a letter from the CASFM chair.

8. Newsletter – Tom Browning

The newsletter is done and will be distributed soon.

9. Other Items not on the Agenda

Kevin Houck reported that the ASFPM national conference would be in Madison. He also reported that he attended the Arid Regions committee conference in Mesa Arizona. Kevin asked if Colorado would be interested in participating on the committee. The other participating states are California, Nevada, Arizona and New Mexico. Participating states host the biennial conference, typically in conjunction with their own state conference. There was interest in participating. Kevin will explore further and will report back at the March meeting.