# Colorado Association of Stormwater and Floodplain Managers General Meeting Minutes

March 20, 2008 - WH Pacific, Lakewood, Colorado

## **Meeting Attendees**

Name	Organization
David Bennetts	Urban Drainage and Flood Control District
Chris Butler	CH2M Hill
John Dellaport	Terracon
Herman Feissner	Feissner Consulting, LLC
Kendra Gabbert	Felsburg Holt & Ullevig
Kevin Houck – Chair	Colorado Water Conservation Board
Brian Hyde	Dewberry
Robert Krehbiel	Matrix Design Group
Chad Kudym – Treasurer	Urban Drainage and Flood Control District
Ken MacKenzie	Urban Drainage and Flood Control District
David Mallory – Vice Chair	Urban Drainage and Flood Control District
Brian Murphy	CDM
Deb Ohlinger – Secretary	Olsson Associates
Thuy Patton	Colorado Water Conservation Board.
John Pflaum	WH Pacific

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 Deb Ohlinger, CASFM Secretary.

## 1. Secretary Report – Deb Ohlinger

A quorum was present. The minutes from the January 10, 2008 meeting were distributed. Two corrections were noted. The minutes were approved by a motion and a vote.

# 2. Treasurer Report – Chad Kudym

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

# 3. Regional Representatives' Reports

Denver Metro – Robert Krehbiel reported that a social was held at 240 Union in Lakewood with approximately 50 people in attendance and David Lloyd, Executive Director of Urban Drainage and Flood Control District as speaker. The next social will be in Aurora or Boulder in May.

Northeast – Brian Varella took a position with the City of Fort Collins and is looking for sites for a social.

Southeast – A social was held at Champs in Colorado Springs with eight people in attendance. It was suggested that the socials rotate between Colorado Springs and Pueblo.

# 4. Committee Reports

- a) Floodplain/CFM Kallie Bauer will send an announcement to see if anyone is interested in helping to teach the CFM review course. Chris Carlson might be interested. Kevin nominated the CFM program for an ASFPM award.
- b) Stormwater Quality The committee met March 18<sup>th</sup>, with twelve or more people in attendance, to discuss visions and goals for the committee. A field trip showcasing innovative BMP/LID sites will be held in June. Loveland has a lot of data on BMP maintenance. Colorado State University is analyzing whole lifecycle costs of BMPs. A motion was made and passed to increase the CASFM research budget from \$2,000 to \$5,000 and to contribute to an LID/porous landscape research project. Michelle DeLaria is in communication with the Colorado chapter of the American Planning Association and wondered if it would be beneficial to hold a joint conference in the future. Joint sessions on LID could be held.
- c) Scholarship The status is not known.
- d) Outreach Ken MacKenzie reported that Ken Cecil attended a legislative workshop. Two bills are of interest – one concerning limited rainwater collection and another concerning instream flows. Ken noted that it could be beneficial for CASFM to have a presence at the CML conference, possibly a booth. Collaboration with APWA might be beneficial to APWA and CASFM in terms of cross marketing the membership.
- e) Membership/Training A stream restoration workshop was held in Glenwood Springs with approximately 15 participants, half of whom were from the Denver Metro area. There will be a streambank stabilization workshop in Grand Junction April 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. A GeoHEC-HMS/RAS training session will be held in July in the Metro area. It is probably time for a new member survey to identify training topics of interest to the membership. The next committee meeting is April 21<sup>st</sup> at Greenwood Village. CASFM has 669 active members, which is the second largest chapter in the country behind Texas.
- f) Website No report was made.
- g) Conference See item 8.

#### 5. Newsletter Update

David Mallory has been in contact with Emmit Jordan, who will prepare the newsletter. It will be published two months before the annual conference. It will be a newsletter format as opposed to a magazine format. The newsletter will be disseminated electronically and there will be a limited number of hard copies printed, primarily for promotional purposes. Perhaps news from other conferences such as the ASFPM conference can be included. David will send an email to the membership about newsletter submittals.

# 6. Banner Update

The latest draft was discussed and ideas for changes were made. After making the changes, the banner should be made. The question of whether there would be a price break for multiple banners was raised and will be investigated.

## 7. Bylaws Review and Discussion

Kevin Houck identified changes in the bylaws to bring them in line with the way CASFM actually operates. Proposed changes were discussed and approved by a motion and a vote.

## 8. 2008 Conference Items

Discussion about the conference plans took place. Following are key points:

Tours will include the Crystal Dam, Schofield Pass bike tour and Taylor Reservoir tour. A bus to transport people who do not want to drive between Denver and Crested Butte was investigated. The cost would be \$82 per person if the bus were full, which would be 55 people. If the bus were half full, the cost would be closer to \$200 per person. Perhaps a carpool link could be added to the website. The local bus companies would be cheaper for the tours but there are no restrooms on board. The consensus was that the local buses would be fine. Discussion about whether a full day should be held Wednesday resulted in the consensus that it should. The question of whether there should be entertainment Thursday night and, if so, what the entertainment should be, was discussed but was not resolved.

### 9. Flood Season Outlook

Kevin reported that the flood task force meeting was held Monday. Some interesting predictions/observations were made for the 2008 flood season.

#### 10. Other Business

Ben Urbonas of Urban Drainage and Flood Control District is retiring. It was suggested that the CASFM scholarship be named in his honor to recognize his service to the stormwater community and his support of education. The initiative was approved with a motion and a vote. Ben will be presented with a certificate at his upcoming retirement open house and the next Urban Drainage board meeting.