

## COLORADO ASSOCIATION OF STORMWATER AND FLOODPLAIN MANAGERS

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**Date/Time:** Thursday, September 15, 2016, 12:15 – 1:00 PM

**Hosted by:** 2016 CASFM Conference

**Location:** Mt. Crested Butte Resort

### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING ATTENDEES:

#### CASFM Officers:

Vice Chair – Brian Murphy, *CDM Smith*

Secretary – Brian Varrella, *CDOT (proxy for Danny Elsner)*

Outgoing Treasurer – Brad Bettag, *AMEC Foster Wheeler*

Incoming Treasurer – Myles Gardner, *CH2M Hill*

Outgoing NW Region Rep – Betsy Suerth, *SGM*

Outgoing SE Region Rep – Keith Curtis, *PPRBD*

Incoming SE Region Rep – Kevin Binkley, *MWH Global*

Outgoing SW Region Rep – Sam Samuelson, *Town of Telluride*

Incoming SW Region Rep – Steve Westbay, *City of Gunnison*

Outgoing Metro Rep – Drew Beck, *Matrix*

Incoming Metro Rep – Debbie Fisher, *Wright Water*

#### CASFM Committee Chairs:

Website – Stuart Gardner, *CDOT*

Outreach – Craig Jacobson, *ICON*; Alan Turner, *CH2M*; Emily Murphy, *Calibre Eng.*

Conference – Robert Krehbiel, *Matrix*

Scholarship – Jacob James, *Town of Parker*

Water Quality - Holly Piza, *UDFCD*

CRS – Monica Bortolini (*proxy for Marsha Hilmes-Robinson*)

#### Members:

2016 CASFM conference attendees

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 presented for further consideration. Should the attendees believe that anything might be misrepresented or misleading, please bring this to the attention of Danny Elsner, CASFM Secretary.

### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES:

#### I. Call to Order – Brian Murphy (*proxy for Shea Thomas*)

A. Meeting called to order

B. Initial comment

1. All new Board of Directors were inducted the prior day over lunch

2. These minutes are updated to reflect incoming CASFM Officers' contact information

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- II. **Secretary Report – Brian Varrella (proxy for Danny Elsner)**
  - A. July 2015 meeting minutes shared out to all tables
  - B. No comments, Motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> and approved unanimously
- III. **Treasurer Report – Brad Bettag**
  - A. Updates shared out to all tables
  - B. No comments, Motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> and approved unanimously
- IV. **Vice Chair Report – Brian Murphy**
  - A. Summer newsletter is out!
- V. **Committee Reports**
  - A. **Flood TAP – Brian Varrella**
    - 1. Meeting once every 2 months
    - 2. Now looking to integrate with USACE Silver Jackets activities in Colorado
    - 3. Work we are doing is showing up as national policy, especially for wildfire and flood mitigation
  - B. **Scholarship – Jacob James**
    - 1. 3 scholarships will be awarded this year
    - 2. Award recipients will be invited to participate at the Conference
      - a. Brad Bettag received graduate award and presented at the Conference this year
    - 3. It is a good time to let people be aware that these scholarships are available to our academic colleagues. Scholarship applications are due October 17, 2016.
  - C. **Stormwater Quality – Holly Piza**
    - 1. Next quarterly meeting is October 6, 2016
    - 2. Field trip was a big success with sites in Denver and Fort Collins
    - 3. Story Map was very cool
      - a. All CASFM field trips for SWQ since 2009
      - b. Allows us to create a virtual tour
  - D. **Outreach & Training – Craig Jacobson & Alan Turner**
    - 1. Alan Turner stepping down as co-chair; Emily Murphy will be taking over for Alan
    - 2. Thanks to Betsy Suerth for coordinating HEC-RAS 2D training on the West Slope
    - 3. More training opportunities coming soon in 2016/17
    - 4. Social media updates; Emily noted she and Lisa created a social media strategic plan based on survey information, and will optimize the CASFM experience to meet needs
    - 5. Utilizing LinkedIn right now for inreach and Twitter for outreach and engagement
    - 6. Young Members Group – likely to break out as a new Committee soon
      - a. Intending to act as mentoring group
      - b. Kicked off in February and expanding work this year
      - c. Newsletter coming quarterly
      - d. Cookies being offered at the Conference!
      - e. Encouraging people to get on the list-serve for group news
  - E. **Annual Conference – Robert Krehbiel**
    - 1. 2017 Conference will be hosted Sept. 19-22, 2017 in Breckenridge
    - 2. Conference feedback survey will be issued by email right after this year's conference
    - 3. It truly takes an army to get this event up, running and closed out – volunteers welcome!

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### F. **Floodplain Management** – *Chris Hodyl*

1. Thanks to Jamie Prochno for all her hard work over the many years as Floodplain Management Committee Chair (and thanks for coming back to CASFM)

### G. **Webmaster / Membership** – *Stuart Gardner*

1. Membership now at 903 people – a new CASFM record!!
  - a. Large volume of information crossing the organization
  - b. Working closely with Outreach & Training
2. Website
  - a. Soliciting outside assistance through an RFP process since maintenance exceeds volunteer capabilities
  - b. Hoping to have a clear and streamlined format that is mobile-ready next year
  - c. Bundle membership requests coming out soon; this is a good time for bundle administrators to ensure the correct people are part of the bundle

### H. **CRS Committee** – *Monica Bortolini (proxy for Marsha Hilmes-Robinson)*

1. Highlight of the year; letter to ISO & FEMA to comment on the 2013 CRS Manual, and some feedback will be incorporated into the 2017 Manual
2. Presentations at meetings; flood insurance, BCEEGS, and others
3. Oct. 18, 2016 is next meeting at UDFCD
4. CRS Showcase tomorrow morning, 9:00-11:00 AM

### I. **ASFPM Updates** – *Brian Varrella*

1. Executive Order 13690
  - a. Big issue for ASFPM, especially since ASFPM members were on the President's Climate Action Task Force
2. Lots of discussion about impacts to flood insurance
  - a. Especially due to recent Louisiana flooding (4<sup>th</sup> largest insurance claims disaster in US history).
  - b. Also have the private insurance interests and associated concerns
  - c. ASFPM is keeping the discussion in the context of not just floods, but also mitigation and planning
3. CASFM submitted comments on EO 13690 in 2015 to the Federal Register, and will do the same for the FEMA rulemaking process
  - a. Brian V. will prepare draft information for the Officers to revise, distribute, and submit at their discretion.
  - b. Recommend we cross-pollenate with CWCB, NAFSMA, and UDFCD comments
4. Brian encouraged all CASFM members to provide feedback to the ASFPM Board in February

### VI. **Other Business** – *none*

### VII. **Next Meeting** – *November 10 at Michael Baker Jr. office in Lakewood*

### VIII. **Adjourn**

- A. Motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed unanimously

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