

C4 Board Meeting
Minutes
17 September 2007 – 1:30PM

Attendance: Joe Arbuckle, Lockett Pittman, John Brandenburg, Kirk Charbonneau,
Wiley Larson, Carol Larson, Dorothy Nepa, Bob Dreher

Guests: Charles Bogle, Glenn Livengood, Kathy Reis.

Joe Opened the meeting at 1:30, with introduction of guests and asked Charles Bogle to start the meeting with presentation of positions regarding proposed Road & Bridge tax increase and proposed Lodging Tax.

Glenn Livengood and Kathy Reis presented the issues surrounding the proposed Road & Bridge tax increase explaining the need to improve equipment maintenance, address salaries and the need to keep current services running past January, 2008. Glen and Kathy took questions from the floor.

Charles Bogle presented information regarding the proposed lodging tax, explaining that this is a tax only on visitors to the county and will not impact residents unless they use lodging facilities in the county. Charles emphasized that the time with our group at the Directors meeting and the General Meeting on 20 September will help get the message out to the public and help the process of having informed voters in November.

The Board voted that Charles, Glenn and Kathy be given time on the agenda at the 20 September meeting. Joe will put them on the agenda first, giving them a total of 20 minutes to present both issues and take questions. We will announce that they will remain after the meeting to take more questions.

Joe covered the results of the BOCC meetings of 3 Jul, 7 Aug, 31 Aug 5 Sept and the PC meeting that considered the Humboldt Peak PUD.

Dorothy Nepa made the point that water issues must be considered when addressing CD positions, particularly regarding people who want livestock. Joe asked Wiley Larson to address the use of water issues in Cluster Developments.

Question came up regarding workshops planned by the PC regarding MS and CD. Bob Dreher will contact the PC and Lynn Atterbury to determine status and participation in workshops being held by the PC.

Humboldt Peak PUD discussion. Joe asked for input and will prepare a draft position paper concerning Humboldt Peak. That paper will be complete and submitted before the next hearing regarding Humboldt Peak. The position paper will push the BOCC to exclude PUD's from zones 1 & 2, and emphasize the need to have separate legally enforceable terms and conditions which state specific conditions under which the PUD application will be favorably considered. It was noted that Humboldt Peak is striving to complete their conservation easement with San Isabel before their next meeting with the BOCC and PC.

Carol Larson will be C4 historian and members are asked to feed information and documentation to her.

Decision was made to hold off on polling county citizens for opinions.

Involvement with Economic Development group continues.

Draft of county conflict of interest and ethics statement will be put on hold temporarily.

Lockett was asked to continue efforts to coordinate and network with other organizations in the county.

C4 web page is up and running. C4 email address will be included on the web page. Bob Dreher will coordinate all communications coming in to the email on the web page.

Upper Ark Water Conservancy District position remains unannounced despite the fact that the law suit has been settled.

Colorado Office of Smart Growth. Joe encourages all Directors and Committee members to review Office of Smart Growth on line. Bob Steimle is one of the authors of a draft land use code for the state and is a resident of the Valley. Joe will invite him to the meeting and Bob will get him on our email distribution list.

Wiley Larson discussed the water augmentation plan. He will get involved with the state engineer and will get more information regarding water on the Humboldt Peak property leasing water. He will contact the Colorado Farm Bureau and determine their position regarding water and how they can influence decision making regarding water.

Lockett Pittman discussed the status of the well study that is an on-going project in Custer County. Work is being done by a group out of Pueblo. They are studying 100 existing wells in the county and measuring water annually.

General discussion regarding how we can get the BOCC to show more interest and get involved in water issues and resources. We need to convince them that water must be at the top of their agenda and not just leave water issues totally up to developers, property owners and the state engineer. Joe will work on a position regarding county responsibilities concerning water and water use. Agreed the C4 needs to pursue federal and state elected officials to generate their interest and pin down water issues.

Upcoming meetings:

General Membership:	Thursday, 20 Sept 2007
Directors & Committees	Monday, 22 Oct 2007 (Tentative)
General Membership	Thursday, 25 Oct 2007 (Tentative)

Meeting ended at 4PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Bob Dreher

C4 Board Meeting Agenda 17 Sep 07, Library

1:30: Opening and Charles Bogle ref County revenue—roads and lodging tax

1345: Update on-going actions:

1. BOCC mtg 3 Jul:

- SD reg chgs covered
- Com Shy proposed adding CD to SD regs—zones 3 & 4
- Water discussion ref open space, attny general and livestock
- Tasked J. Naylor to draft CD words and SD reg update; back to BOCC
- C4 presented its briefing; not much reaction, cool

2. BOCC mtg 7 Aug:

- Big change in atmosphere ref C4
- J. Naylor brought revised SD reg and CD words—C4 given copies
- J. Naylor brought copy email ref attny gen decision regarding no water in CD open space for livestock, etc. C4 has a copy of email
- Penciled in min CD land size of 360 acres
- J. Naylor tasked to redo CD and SD words and return to BOCC

3. BOCC mtg 31 Aug:

- J. Naylor provided revised CD and SD reg wording
- Com Custer said master plan can be advisory or mandatory per CCI. BOCC agreed to leave advisory

4. BOCC mtg 5 Sep:

- SD and CD regs redone, BOCC voted to send to PC for workshops, then public hearing

5. PC mtg ref Humboldt Peak LLC preliminary plan:

- Plan to put 323 acres in conservation easement with 5 home sites; all water goes into CE but retain auth to lease water for valley use; 6 houses, up to 12 LLC members.

1400: Misc actions:

1. Carol is historian, provide documents to her.

2. Potential action areas:

- o Poll county citizens for opinions.
- o Get involved with county economic planning efforts.
- o Draft a county conflict of interest policy—other county examples??.
- o Coordinate and network with other organizations: CAP, Sustainable Ways, San Isable, Rotary, Am Legion, etc.

3. Open a C4 web page—Bob will handle contact responses.

4. Applicants for the Upper Ark Water Conservancy District---appointments not made yet.

5. John B ref ranch status and 401k bfg at gen membership mtg??

6. Emailing members for votes on position papers

7. CD copy of Smart Growth Model Land Use Code

8. Don Paul ref ideas to increase county revenue.

9. Do water position paper ref BOCC position on water being a developers problem (3 Jul mtg) ??

1415: Committees: Need to keep open commo with PC chair and Zoning Office to know what hits the agenda and when (Dorothy and Bob).

1430: Open discussion: