

**5-2-1 DRAINAGE AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF THE BOARD
September 27, 2006
Mesa County Courthouse Annex
Grand Junction, Colorado**

Chairman Karisny opened the meeting at 3:10 p.m.

Chairman Karisny called roll of the Board Members

Board Members Present:

**Dave Karisny, Chairman
Tilman Bishop
Dick Bowman**

**Council Member, City of Fruita
Mesa County Commissioner
Grand Junction Drainage District**

Board Members Absent:

**Dave Walker
Jim Doody**

Board Member, Town of Palisade
Mayor, City of Grand Junction

Also Present:

John Ballagh (Grand Junction Drainage District, Manager), **Julie Constan** (Mesa County, Engineer), **Eric Mende** (City of Fruita, Engineer), **Vohnnie Pearson** (Town of Palisade, City Planner), **Trent Prall** (City of Grand Junction, City Engineer), **Jim Adams** (City of Fruita, Mayor), **Kate Hofius** (Recording Secretary)

Chairman Karisny opened the meeting to the *all present* for questions or comments at 3:20 pm.

- Dick Bowman asked about putting Cranium 360° on the Agenda after concerns made by Jim Doody over the last few meetings. Maybe we need to present everything to the public.
- Tilman Bishop would like to see structure on how we will market. What tools will be used.
- Dick Bowman said that the Cranium 360° handouts were useful to determine the way to present to the public.
- Tilman Bishop would like to see marketing on the Federal mandate and take a positive approach, if AMEC would have input on how do the marketing.
- John Ballagh reminded that \$11,000 was deducted from AMEC's scope of service to get to budget and it was decided that we did not want them to do a survey of the public for marketing. They may answer questions but this is not what they are being paid for. We need to use someone local to do marketing

The discussion was closed for comments at 3:45 pm.

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Adopt Agenda:

- Chairman Karisny asked for changes or acceptance of the agenda. Tilman Bishop moved to accept the agenda. Dick Bowman seconded the motion. Chairman Karisny polled the Board.

The roll call vote result:	Contracting Party	Vote
	Fruita	aye
	Grand Junction Drainage District	aye
	Mesa County	aye

The Agenda was accepted.

Questions from the Audience

- There were no questions from the audience.

MINUTES

Chairman Karisny asked for a motion on the Minutes of September 13, 2006. Dick Bowman moved to accept the minutes as written. Tilman bishop seconded the motion. Chairman Karisny polled the Board to accept the minutes.

The roll call vote results:	Contracting Party	Vote
	Fruita	aye
	Grand Junction Drainage District	aye
	Mesa County	aye

The minutes were accepted.

REPORTS

Television Advertisements

- Julie Constan gave video presentation of the two, 30-second TV Public Education spots being aired now thru December 3, 2006.
- Chairman Karisny asked how they affected the NPDES permit requirements.
- Julie Constan said that it does fill a requirement for everyone's permit.
- John Ballagh recommended that we look at some billboards for next year. He has had some feedback that they are very effective.
- Tilman Bishop said he has been invited by a *local citizen* to see examples of domestic water waste and irrigation waste in our local area.
- General discussion continued concerning ideas and problems 5-2-1 Drainage Authority would face in the future.

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DISCUSSION ITEMS

Operations & Maintenance – Julie Constan

- Julie Constan gave a presentation on the O&M White Paper. She showed some pictures around the local area and some of areas in the state consisting of pollution of various washes/drains and storm drains.
- Tilman Bishop asked about the mapping being done and what areas.
- Julie Constan said that there is some mapping being done now.
- Tilman Bishop asked about the trash in the local pictures and if it has been cleaned up.
- Trent Prall gave an example of Indian Wash and explained that, that particular site is an annual clean up; other areas do not get cleaned up as often.
- Tilman Bishop would like to see a campaign to get people to put trash in proper containers not our waterways.
- John Ballagh explained to the Board that all the entities work together to keep water flowing. If GJDD sees a problem area that is county jurisdiction, they will call and tell them, help if they need it, and other entities will do the same for GJDD. Field personnel works together well.
- John Ballagh also explained that part of the NPDES permit requirement consists of tracking and keeping ahead of situations before flooding occurs.
- Eric Mende said that some of the areas in the pictures are monitored at least weekly some are not monitored at all unless they get a phone call to check it.
- Chairman Karisny asked if the mapping would help coordinate maintenance.
- Dick Bowman asked how close we are to getting the mapping completed.
- Julie Constan explained that all the entities are working together to put their own mapping efforts into one database maintained by the county. They are just getting started on compiling the information and continuing new mapping efforts.
- John Ballagh said that in 2003 all of the entities worked out an agreement on how to collect the information so it will be fairly compatible.
- Chairman Karisny asked that “*normal maintenance*” be defined.
- Eric Mende said that will be difficult to do. It is different for different entities. It depends on the problem and the area.
- Trent Prall stated that he agreed. The city has the same problems. Some need more attention, some less, and *normal* is different to each problem area. It is their hope that 5-2-1 Drainage Authority will cover the areas not covered by an entity.
- Chairman Karisny asked if the tasks are clearly defined for future employees to understand the working created by present members.
- Trent Prall said they would try to define “normal maintenance” a little better.
- There was continued general discussion on *what is normal and isn't normal*.
- It was stated that a list of equipment that is owned by all the entities is being compiled to be able to share or help each other. That the entities are collecting information to share and it will be sent to the 5-2-1 Drainage Authority to create a database for the ability to share that information, and it is stored in one place.

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- John Ballagh said that the 5-2-1 Drainage Authority needs to have a united front when working with the BLM or Bureau of Reclamation to get help from them on washes or basins that are in their jurisdiction.

Rate Study Status – John Ballagh

- A handout from AMEC was given with a copy of the Rate Study status. A copy for Dave Walker was given to Vohnnie Pearson. A copy for Jim Doody was given to Trent Prall.
- Chairman Karisny gave a brief description explaining how he interpreted the Steering Committees suggestions on the maintenance of the washes.
- Fruita Mayor, Jim Adams, stated that the original intention of the Steering Committee setting up the 5-2-1 Drainage Authority was that they would *coordinate* not do maintenance.
- Julie Constan agreed that the 5-2-1 Drainage Authority would contract out the maintenance, not actually do the maintenance.
- Mayor Adams expressed his opinion that if it is Fruita's jurisdiction, let Fruita take care of it and the same for the other entities. What you are explaining concerns me that the 5-2-1 Drainage Authority will become bigger than it was ever intended to be. Staff will lead you down the *primrose path* if you let them.
- Chairman Karisny stated that he also believed that the 5-2-1 Drainage Authority is not meant to grow into a large entity.
- Dick Bowman said that we should develop a *mission statement* that states the intent and future goals of the 5-2-1 Drainage Authority.

Tilman Bishop left at 4:30 pm.

Official Action of the 5-2-1 Drainage Authority ceased due to lack of a quorum.

Casual discussion continued.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

NEXT MEETING DATE

- The next meeting is scheduled for October 11, 2006, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
- Mesa County Courthouse Annex, Training RoomA
- Forecast meeting dates are as follows:

October 25th
 November 22nd
 December 27th