



GCWC Board Meeting Minutes December 15, 2016 10am

The December 15th GCWC Board Meeting was called to order by Board Chairman, Schelly Olson, at 10:02. Other members present were: Ryan McNertney, Vice President; Adam Gosey, Treasurer; Katlin Miller, Secretary; Clancy Phillipsborn, Member; Brad White, Mitigation Committee Chair; and Paul Mintier, Forest Consultant.

First under Old Business, Brad and Paul updated the group on the Fuels Reduction Cost-Share program. We were originally granted \$60,000 for the program. So far, we have spent \$11,553.74 and have another \$17,000 waiting reimbursement. A total of \$58,500 of the original \$60,000 has been committed to various projects. Brad said that so far (including the committed projects that have yet to be completed) the total project cost is \$195,516 (\$104,969 in material cost and \$90,546 in in-kind cost). Also, 395 acres are expected to be treated once all committed projects are complete. Brad also told the group that the deadline for grant spending has moved up from Fall 2017 to June 15, 2017. That being said, Brad noted that there is another \$40,000 of possible grant funding available from the CSFS for 2017. **Finally, under the Fuels Reduction Cost-Share Program, the group mutually agreed to put Pile Burning on the list of eligible projects for reimbursement. However, everyone agreed that it should be low-priority on the list of projects.**

Next under Old Business, Schelly presented the Financial Report as of December 15th. Total income for the year so far is \$38,103.68. Total expenses sum to \$31,161.15. Our Net Income so far is \$6,942.53. Total Grant Income for the year this far is \$33,148.64 (\$20,000 from BLM, \$2,000 from Grand Foundation, and \$11,148.64 from CSFS). Finally, Schelly reported that we have \$29,000 left in BLM grant account.

Also under Old Business, Schelly updated the group on the offer from Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District for GCWC funding. Basically, they said to just send in a request and they will fund it. **The group agreed to request \$20,000 from NCWCD.** The group also agreed to use part (if not all) of those funds to complete a fuels reduction project along the canal.

Lastly, Schelly next asked the group to please update their hours on the Google Drive sheet to reflect accurate volunteer hours for 2016.

Moving on to New Business, the group formulated an Annual Plan of Work and Budget for 2017 (see attached). One change to the 2017 Budget that specifically applies to address signs was that we will no longer provide U-Bolts with the signs. **Katlin moved to hand out the U-Bolts we currently have in stock but not order any additional U-Bolts. Ryan seconded the motion. Motion Passed.**

Also under Old Business, the group discussed possibly changing the mission of the Council to include “make Grand County a Fire Adapted Community.” No decision was made.

Moving on, the group agreed that the Agenda for the Steering Committee meeting shall include:

- Update on 2016 Successes
- 2017 APW & Budget
- Schelly as a Guest Speaker on “Creating a Fire Adapted Community”



- Mission Change
- Election of 2 vacancies (Schelly and Clancy)

Prior to the Steering Committee, the group agreed that we should reach out to the BOCC, Sheriff's Office, and OEM to poll them of the best meeting time and date. **Schelly agreed to do a Doodle Poll.**

Finally, Schelly asked everyone to please sign up on fireadaptednetwork.org as an affiliate.

Meeting adjourned at 12pm.