

## USCC - Minutes June 19, 2017

Call to order:

Present: Jan, Brian, Amy & Michael

Approval of minutes:

Tabled until all board members have seen.

Treasurer's report:

Michael states that 4 more donation checks have been received, balance at \$7,400

Master Plan Discussion:

Brian states that the board is looking for resident input, and any additional surveys. The Caucus would like to know peoples' own visions. When drafting, the Plan will be divided up into sections, each headed by board members. Any suggestions and passages provided by residents would be appreciated.

Public Comment

Land Use: Hildebrand  
Moore

Board member Mindy Hidebrand is recused from the Hildebrand discussion/vote. Amy Doherty is called on to describe the applications.

### **Hildebrand**

The Upper Snowmass Creek Caucus board reviewed this application for Activity Envelope and Site Plan Review and voted unanimously (with one board member recusal) to support this application with the following recommendation:

Applicant shall include a noxious weed mitigation plan when submitting for Building Permit Review.

### **Moore**

The Upper Snowmass Creek Caucus board reviewed this application for Activity Envelope and Site Plan Review and voted unanimously to support this application with the following recommendation:

1. Applicant shall include a noxious weed mitigation plan when submitting for Building Permit Review.
2. Applicant shall include roof type/material of CDU when submitting for Building Permit Review.

#### Water Committee Report:

Art Martin describes the most recent meetings:

1. Water Committee is Mary Schmidt & myself
2. Met with Kit Hamby, Manager for SWSD, on May 18
3. Attended Board meeting on May 25
4. Historically, the overriding issue has been minimum winter streamflow and concerns that SWSD could take the flow below 7cfs.
5. Great source for info is Water Efficiency Plan from February 2014 filed by the SWSD with Colorado Water Conservation Board although SWSD was not legally required to do so at that time.
6. Key points I have learned:
  - a. Although SWSD has the legal water right to “suck Snowmass Creek dry” there are agreements with the County requiring SWSD to implement conservation measures when stream flows get to certain trigger points.
  - b. Ziegler Reservoir is one tool for these conservation measures
  - c. SWSD estimates that at full buildout of Snowmass Village, their use of water would be about the same as in 2009, due in part to various conservation measures including improved leak detection.
  - d. I need to confirm this, but I believe SWSD uses about 2cfs on average daily whereas the total from all other sources is many times that.
  - e. Monitoring and education of other users might be an area for the board to consider
  - f. SWSD is in the business of selling water and sanitation services. They recognize water as a precious resource and want to use it efficiently but that’s not their primary mission.

#### Other Business:

Fire Mitigation update:

Brian states that distributed surveys are being collected and cataloged. D.D. Gerdin has been working on behalf the Shield O Mesa area. The Basalt & Rural Fire Protection District is assembling permissions for on-site inspections. Their members are also currently training on the new software that will eventually allow for submission of the plan for certification, which in turn will open the door for grants to support the costs of fuel mitigation and other projects.

Jan goes over the discussion with the Wildcat representative for permission to use for fire emergency egress the Snowmass Creek entrance below the Deaf Camp. Such an evacuation plan could be integrated through the Pitkin Alert system.

Adjourn