

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 26, 2022 REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE PUEBLO CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

Directors Present: Barbara Bernard, Matt Cordova, Corinne Koehler, Dennis Maroney, Jerry Martin, Donna Phillips, Ron Serna, Paul Willumstad

Also Present: Attorney Don Banner  
Administrator Rick Kidd

Guests: Mike Cuppy, NorthStar Engineering  
Cynthia Ramu, Mural Art Coordinator

The regular meeting of the Pueblo Conservancy District was called to order by President Koehler at 10:00 am.

**Minutes:** A quorum being present, the Minutes of the December 15, 2021 meeting were reviewed. It was moved by Cordova and seconded by Serna to approve the minutes. The motion was approved.

**Public Forum:**  
None

**Levee Mural Project:**

Ramu said that she had received one application but that the artist is making adjustments per the Committee's review comments. She said that this one plus four more will be presented at the next meeting. Ramu reported that the \$5000 artist incentive placed at D&S Paint was allocated to 20 artists. Over 50 percent of them have already used their allocation. There are 48 completed murals, including the high school logos. The Committee is working on guidelines for the historic area. The historic area of the Levee should open up in May. Ramu said that she is encouraging murals in this area to be 60-feet long. She is asking the artists to do research for background to support their proposals. Serna said that the painting for the CSU-Pueblo logo has begun. He said that he had received a bid of \$400 to paint the District's logo on the approach to the 18th Street Bridge. Maroney moved to approve this expenditure and Willumstad seconded. The motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Kidd said that there is not a December accountant's report because it was a year-end report and not all of the documentation was available by the meeting date.

Bernard said that the bills appeared to be appropriate. Payment of the bills was approved.

Vectra Cash Account:

\$ 75.00	Jeong jong, Winter Solstice musician
\$ 75.00	Phililip VanGarrick, Winter Solstice musician
\$ 83.17	Signs by Scott, PFAR Banner
\$ 121.39	Signs by Scott, Levee Amenity Donor Plaques
\$ 216.54	D&S Paint, PCC Logo Mural Paint

BSJ Operations and Maintenance Account:

\$ 140.00	Black Hills Energy, Runyon Lighting
\$ 500.00	MGPM, Monthly Accountant fees
\$ 500.00	B&B, PC, Attorney Fees
\$ 59.05	B&B, PC, FedEx Charges
\$ 2,034.08	B&B, PC, 4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter Operations Charges
\$ 1,900.00	Kidd Engineering, Administrator/Engineer fees
\$ 262.50	Kidd Engineering, Executive Committee Meeting prep and attendance
\$ 350.00	Kidd Engineering, Meeting with contractors and correspondence c concerning the Thomas Phelps Creek gate replacements
\$ 1,500.00	Cynthia Ramu, Levee Mural Art Coordinator Fee
\$ 200.00	Bernard, Director's Fee
\$ 200.00	Cordova, Director's Fee
\$ 500.00	Koehler, President's Fee
\$ 200.00	Maroney, Director's Fee
\$ 200.00	Martin, Director's Fees
\$ 200.00	Phillips, Director's Fee
\$ 200.00	Serna, Director's Fee
\$ 200.00	Willumstad, Director's Fee

BSJ Construction Draw Account:

\$ 82.50	Kidd Engineering, Levee Phase 4 Warranty, December 11 through December 31, 2021
\$ 1,237.50	Kidd Engineering, PCD/City IGA #1 Pay request revisions and proofs of payment, December 10 through December 31, 2021
\$ 175.00	Kidd Engineering, PCD/City IGA #1&#2 Meetings and CA/CO, January 1 through January 21, 2022
\$ 525.00	Kidd Engineering, PCD/City IGA#1 Reimbursement Documentation to the City, January 1 through January 21, 2022
\$ 87.50	Kidd Engineering, 11 <sup>th</sup> Street City/CDOT Bridge Repair Project, January 1 through January 21, 2022
\$ 262.50	Kidd Engineering, 11 <sup>th</sup> Street Lockable Swing Gate meetings and oversight
\$ 1,908.00	NorthStar Engineering, December 11 through December 31, 2021, PCD/City IGA#1 T&M Services, Task K and reimbursables
\$ 1,125.00	NorthStar Engineering, December 11 through December 31, 2021, Maintenance Assessment Support, Consultations, Artwork and Recreation, Phases 5&6 Warranty, 11 <sup>th</sup> Street Bridge, and reimbursables
\$ 1,886.00	NorthStar Engineering, December 11 through December 31, 2021, Wave Shaper Design Support Services and reimbursables
\$ 1,245.00	NorthStar Engineering, December 11 through December 31, 2021, PCD Trail Extension Design, Layout & CM Services

- \$ 1,890.00 NorthStar Engineering, January 1 through January 21, 2022, Task C-C.3 Prepare Final Report and reimbursables
- \$ 1,903.00 NorthStar Engineering, January 1 through January 21, 2022, Maintenance Assessment Support, Consultations, Artwork and Recreation, Phases 5&6 Warranty, 11<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge, and reimbursables
- \$ 2,375.00 NorthStar Engineering, January 1 through January 21, 2022, Wave Shaper Design Support Services and reimbursables
- \$ 1,241.00 B&B, PC 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter-Phase 4 Warranty
- \$ 5,447.28 B&B, PC, 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter-PCD/City IGA#2

BSJ Reserve Account:

- \$ 9,145.63 Pueblo Conservancy District – Transfer to Operating Account
- \$ 21,390.32 Pueblo Conservancy District – Transfer to Draw Account

**Old Business:**

**Phase 4 Warranty Crack Sealing.** Kidd reported that Banner’s letter to ASI and their surety prompted action. ASI is in the process of setting up a meeting with he and NorthStar to meet on site to see the work that needs to be done.

**County Land Purchase.** Corinne said that Gary Rosso told her that the County is working on environmental and evaporation studies. All Phase Environmental is doing the sampling and report. Banner said that there is still time in our agreement with the County.

**Dutch Clark Stadium Land.** District 60 is interested in acquiring at least some of the area. Cordova is to provide Kidd a County contact who may be able to find some legal description documentation.

**New Business:**

**2022 Meeting Dates.** Kidd provided a calendar of the proposed dates. Martin moved to maintain the meetings on the fourth Wednesdays except for November and December being on the third Wednesday. Maroney seconded and the motion passed. Kidd is to notify the Heritage Museum.

**2022 Notice Posting Locations.** Kidd said that the current locations are the Heritage Museum, City Hall, and the Court House. Serna moved to maintain these three locations and Bernard seconded. The motion passed.

**Wave Shaper Contract.** Kidd said that NorthStar and CTL Thompson had been authorized to do the preliminary engineering and geotechnical work, but that the District wanted the City to make a funds commitment before awarding a contract to McLaughlin Water Engineers. The City is still in the process of hiring a grants writer. Kidd said that the next CWCB grant application deadline is July 1<sup>st</sup>. Cuppy said that McLaughlin proposed a \$176,200 cost to prepare a preliminary design that would include cost estimates that would be required support for funding applications. Willumstad moved to table this until the March meeting. Martin seconded on the motion passed.

**Benches and Trash Receptacles.** Koehler said that she had received pricing to furnish 4-4 seat, 2-3 seat, and 4-2 seat benches and three trash receptacles for \$24,000. The benches would have

backs. Delivery time is three to four months. Willumstad moved to approve the purchase without the trash cans. Martin seconded and the motion passed.

Sculpture, Bench and Story Board Sign Concrete Pads. Koehler said that a suggestion she received was for the District to provide concrete pads for mounting of sculptures. Artists could mount approved sculptures on the pads and that District would rent the sculptures for a specified period of time. If the sculpture sold the piece of work during that time period then they would provide a reimbursement back to the District. Willumstad moved for the District to install five 5-ft by 5-ft pads at locations to be determined. Maroney seconded. The motion passed.

Locations of the sculpture and bench pads will be determined by Kidd, Cuppy and the City.

Lighting of the Bridges. There have been emails with Bridge Brothers to discuss lighting infrastructure options for the bridges. Options are still under consideration.

Trout Unlimited fund raiser and PFAR Summer Solstice sponsorships. Koehler presented these requests. Serna moved to provide \$500 sponsorships for each event. Maroney seconded and the motion passed.

Board Vacancy. Koehler said that O'Hara had provided her a copy of the letter that he sent to the County Commissioners. Kidd said that he had talked to Commissioner Chris Wiseman about the County process to fill this vacancy. Wiseman said that Rochelle normally handled board appointments but that she is going to be out for several more weeks. He told Kidd that he would see if someone else could work on filling this vacancy.

#### **President's Report:**

Koehler informed the Board that on February 3<sup>rd</sup> Chris Woodka is presenting "A River Runs Through It" at the Heritage Museum. She announced that on February 24<sup>th</sup> the District will be receiving an award from the Downtown Association. The meeting and presentation will be at 11:45 am. Koehler received a letter from Wade Broadhead notifying her that a family would like to do a memorial on the Levee. The Board had previously decided that memorials to an individual were not acceptable. Koehler said that there is a lot of trash and debris in the River and wondered who is responsible for cleaning it out. She said that there is a big deposit at the Board of Water Works dam. Kidd suggested that it may be a Colorado Parks and Wildlife responsibility. He was asked to talk to Chad Shrivogle about it. Koehler asked about the Clark Street access. Kidd said that he and Cuppy met with the City several months ago and that the City is to prepare the design. Cuppy said that they are to have a preliminary design to him in a couple of weeks. He will consider their design as he works on the layout of the concrete trail through the Grove area.

#### **Administrator's Report:**

Kidd reported that he had received a report, from the Rocky Mountain Bird Observatory, from their bird spotting survey. They identified 17 different species. Kidd was asked to send the report out to the Board. Kidd said that both Spaccamonti and Swerdfeger have told him that Armco no longer makes gates like the ones at Runyon and that they have not been able to find a company who does. They are going to talk to fabricators to see if they can find someone to make up some new gates and counterbalances. The new gate at 11<sup>th</sup> Street has been installed to replace the cable gate. The locks are in a series so that no one can be locked out. Several users have voiced appreciation for the new gate. Kidd said that Chris Wiseman informed him that the Executive Director for the Fountain Creek Greenway and Flood Control District had left.

**Pueblo Friends of the Arkansas River:**

Koehler reported that the group is holding another cleanup. It will be next Saturday and they have scheduled to do these cleanups on the first Saturdays of the month. The scheduled time is 10:00 to 12:00. This time they will be focusing on the Main Street Bridge area. She noted that most of the participants have been non-native Puebloans. They are working on a Summer Solstice celebration for June 18<sup>th</sup>. They are soliciting sponsors. The police and fire departments are supposed to participate for safety education.

**FEMA Certification:**

Cuppy reported that NorthStar is working on the interior drainage flood plain model and mapping FEMA has requested. They have the other work done. NorthStar is hoping to have the added submittals in to FEMA next month.

**Recreation Committee Report:**

Cuppy said that Swerdfeger is doing crack repairs along the viewing ledge and the hanging road. NorthStar has sent trail layout and elevation information to Bridge Brothers.

**Fountain Creek Report:** No report

**Other Business:**

Martin said that he had not received anything from the Fountain Creek District about his appointment. Bernard suggested that the budget for next year separate out the big items. Serna brought to attention that the way the City has the parking marked at the 4<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge parking lot that someone can park behind a vehicle in the handicapped parking space.

Serna moved for adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 am. The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be on February 23, 2022.

APPROVED:

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Corinne Koehler, President

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Ron Serna, Secretary