



# Northwest Colorado Council of Governments

## NWCCOG Council Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 28, 2019  
Council Chambers, 50 Lundgren Blvd.  
Gypsum, Colorado

### **Council Members Present:**

Aaron Blair, Town of Granby (phone)  
Andy Miller, Town of Fraser  
Anne McKibbin, Town of Eagle  
Brian Waldes, Town of Breckenridge (phone)  
Carolyn Skowyra, Town of Dillon  
Heather Sloop, City of Steamboat Springs  
Jake Spears, Town of Red Cliff  
Jeanne McQueeney, Eagle County  
Jo McQueary, Town of Walden  
Karn Stiegelmeier, Summit County  
Patti Clapper, Pitkin County  
Patty McKenny, Town of Vail  
Watkins Fulk-Gray (phone)

### **Others:**

Chris Lindley, Eagle County Public Health  
Sarah Vaine, Summit County

### **NWCCOG Staff:**

Anita Cameron  
Elaina West  
Jon Stavney

### **Call to Order:**

*Karn Stiegelmeier*, NWCCOG Council Chair called the NWCCOG Council Meeting to order at 10:53 a.m. Roundtable introductions were completed, and a quorum was present for the group.

### **Consent Agenda Items:**

Consent Agenda comprised of: October 25, 2018 NWCCOG Council meeting minutes and the final December 2018 NWCCOG financials.

*M/S/P Jeanne McQueeney/Patty McKenny* to approve consent agenda items as presented.

### **February 2019 Financials:**

*M/S/P Patti Clapper/Carolyn Skowyra* to approve February 2019 financials as presented.

### **Background Check and MVR Policy and Procedures**

The council asked to have the following changes made to the Background Check Policy: after 5 years add "after which time the records will be destroyed."

*M/S/P Patty McKenny/Patti Clapper* to approve the Background Check Policy with minor addition and MVR Policy and Procedures.

### **Position on H.R. 530**

*M/S/P Patti Clapper/Anne McKibbin* to approve H.R. 50 letter as presented.

### **Update Project THOR**

At its July 27, 2017 NWCCOG meeting the Council considered a proposal by the Outstanding Grand Lake Foundation to amend the NWCCOG Water Quality Management Plan, or 208 Plan, to recommend that the

### **Presentation: 2018 1A: Sarah Vaine, Summit County**

Vaine reviewed ongoing county led efforts which she is spearheading at Summit County with various partners to improve mental health services and health care services. Memo with summary is in packet from this meeting. Presentation is on NWCCOG website: <http://nwccog.org/about/meetings/>.

### **Presentation: County Innovations in addressing Mental Health: Chris Lindley, Eagle County Public Health Director**

Lindley updated group on various county led efforts to improve mental health with various partners. Summary is in packet for this meeting. Presentation is on our website: <http://nwccog.org/about/meetings/>.

### **Mini-Grants**

Memo in packet with Jon's request. In short, Jon requested that he produce and circulate a memo requesting submittals for NWCCOG's annual technical mini-grant program (Memo circulated April 5, 2019) and be allowed to screen and approve those as they came in unless there were more requests than the allotted amount (\$40,000 in \$5,000 individual awards). If there were more than allotted, Jon would bring a weighted spreadsheet with recommendations to the next NWCCOG council meeting for review and approval. If not, he would proceed to review and award as authorized by this group (after conferring about each with DOLA). The group agreed with Jon's suggestions.

### **Member Updates**

**Summit County, Karn Stiegelmeier** –Karn passed out a handout on fire ban criteria and discussed 1A's role in fire mitigation. Summit County is trying to get USFS to change national standards for fire ban criteria. If USFS does not, Summit County will enter into fire ban earlier based on its own criteria.

**Town of Vail, Patty McKenny** – State just passed legislation to allow counties to regulate fireworks. The fire warden is requesting a complete ban on public and private fireworks.

**Pitkin County, Patti Clapper** – Patti gave a Pitco Airport committee update. The county is gearing for mud, flood, and fire dangers. They plan to bring out fire mitigation materials earlier this year.

**Town of Eagle, Anne McKibbin** – The town is working on fire mitigation with GEFD, including some burning on Brush Creek valley. They recently installed a generator at LBWTP. The water park ribbon cutting will be soon. Eagle is looking for a Town Planner/Director of Community Development.

**Town of Fraser, Any Miller** – Disney slide on Berthoud buried a movie maker in 1957. They are worried about a flood. Town needs to improve WW plant for Copper because of low flows. Grand County is most diverted county in the state of Colorado by a factor of 3. Northern is going to pay 40% of plant and ongoing use. There is going to be a Mural Festival in Fraser. They are planning a Fine Arts Center.

**City of Steamboat Springs, Heather Sloop** – the City had a joint meeting with Routt County last week to speak about joint law enforcement facility and fire/EMS. Annexation approved for West Steamboat going to referendum, because they didn't have enough signatures. River closure program was updated for the first time since 1990s. They are conducting a parks and rec cost recovery study. Steamboat Springs community housing is on docket to be repealed.

**Town of Red Cliff, Jake Spears** – the town is working on a new housing project for nine townhome units. Jake estimated that 15 of the 140 Red Cliff homes are second homes.

**Town of Dillon, Carolyn Skowyra** – Ice Castles close in two weeks. Summer concert series starts June 8<sup>th</sup>. Dillon council is the only council in Summit still considering fireworks.

**Town of Walden, Jo McQueary** – Walden installed solar a solar power array on water treatment plant, and is already seeing the cost saving benefits. Oil and gas are raising housing costs. Jon to put flyer about project in next NWCCOG Council packet per Jo request.

**New business:**

There was none.

**Adjournment:**

**M/S/P Carolyn Skowrya/Heather Sloop** to adjourn the NWCCOG Council Meeting at 1:52 p.m.

  
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Karn Stiegelmeier, NWCCOG Council Chair

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