



Minutes of the Southeast Metro Stormwater Authority Board Meeting
May 17, 2023

A Board Meeting of the Southeast Metro Stormwater Authority (SEMSWA) was held in person at SEMSWA, 7437 S. Fairplay Street, Centennial, CO, and via video/teleconference using GoToMeeting (GTM#595031973). A full and timely notice of this meeting was posted, and a quorum was present. The meeting was called to order by Chair Miller at 1:36 p.m. MST.

Board Directors Present: Bart Miller – Chair
 Jeff Baker – Vice Chair (left at 3:31 p.m.)
 Don Sheehan – Secretary/Treasurer
 Christine Sweetland
 Jessica Campbell-Swanson
 Ron Lambert
 Marlo Alston/Alternate (remote)

SEMSWA Staff Present: Dan Olsen, Executive Director
 Ed Krisor, SEMSWA Attorney
 Thuy Dam, CLA, SEMSWA Financial Consultant
 Molly Trujillo, CIP Manager
 Brad Sullivan, Maintenance Manager
 Britni Kahler, Contract Maintenance and Inspections Manager
 Roxi Jones, Director of HR and Administration
 Ashley Byerley, Environmental Resources Manager
 Cynthia Love, Floodplain Manager
 Nicole Harwell, CIP Project Manager
 Jessica Traynor, Land Development Engineer
 Enrique Juárez, Land Development Engineer
 Michelle Slater, Receptionist (remote)

Guests Present: None

1. Public Comments for Non-Agenda Items – None

2. The March 15, 2023, SEMSWA Board Meeting Minutes stand approved.

3. Finance Report – Thuy Dam, CliftonLarsonAllen (CLA)

Noted March Disbursements:

- Line 2, Piney Creek Loan, \$273,630.48
- Line 58, ICON Engineering, Inc., \$20,522.38
- Line 95, Mile High Flood District, \$175,000.00

Noted April Disbursements:

- Line 11, AzTec Surveying and Locating, \$17,795.00
- Line 12, AzTec Surveying and Locating \$18,105.00
- Line 15, Concrete Express, Inc., \$117,763.14
- Line 31, AzTec Surveying and Locating, \$14,880.00
- Line 65, Concrete Express, Inc., \$333,443.05
- Line 72, ICON Engineering, Inc., \$28,092.25

Thuy Dam reported on the Comparative Balance Sheet (Budgetary Basis) for the Months ended April 30, 2023, and March 31, 2023, and on the Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Funds Available – Budget and Actual – for the Four Months ended April 30, 2023.

4. Resolution 23-14 Authorization to Enter into a Funding Agreement with the City of Centennial for the Construction of the Orchard Road Widening from Ogden Court to the Highline Canal Project – Harwell

Motion for Adoption: Director Sweetland
Second: Director Sheehan
Ayes: All

5. Resolution 23-15 Authorization to Amend the Funding Agreement Regarding the Happy Canyon Creek Drainage and Flood Control Improvements – Jordan Road to Broncos Parkway – Trujillo

Motion for Adoption: Director Sheehan
Second: Director Campbell-Swanson
Ayes: All

6. Valley Country Club Correction Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) MT-2 Signing – Olsen/Love

The SEMSWA Board Directors agreed that SEMSWA, as the City of Centennial's Floodplain Administrator, should sign the Community Concurrence section of the FEMA MT-2 Form since the LOMR has been thoroughly reviewed and all technical and engineering issues have been resolved. They requested a formal statement be attached to the signed form clarifying that Centennial's concurrence with the LOMR does not imply any support for or approval of a future development on the land to be removed from the floodplain.

7. Executive Director Report – Dan Olsen

- Board Members complimented SEMSWA staff on a comprehensive 2022 Annual Report.
- SEMSWA hosted a two-day Working in Waterways training for internal staff and contractors on May 11 and 12, 2023.
- Ashley Byerley and Brad Sullivan met with Vanessa Gates, City of Centennial liaison for the People Experiencing Homelessness Program, including a tour of the SEMSWA service area.
- The SEMSWA Environmental Resources Program and SPLASH hosted another Rain Garden Workshop public outreach event on April 6, 2023.
- South Metro Fire Rescue gave a presentation to SEMSWA staff regarding the use of one-time-use blankets to extinguish electric vehicle fires.
- Storm event pictures and updates of the May 15, 2023, storm event were presented by Britni Kahler and Dan Olsen.
- Highline Canal Update (Canal):
 - There is a proposal for Denver Water to deed over to Arapahoe County the ownership of the Canal - the proposed timeline is by the end of the year.
 - In time, the other counties (Douglas, Denver, and Adams County) will take ownership of their respective areas.
 - Denver Water will place a Conservation Easement over the entire length of the Canal to keep their use of the Canal in place.
 - There are discussions taking place to have SEMSWA maintain the entire length of the Canal in Arapahoe County and, for a period of time, areas in Denver- until such time as Denver is able to take on their own maintenance; a two-year time frame has been discussed.
 - The MS4 permit related to Canal operations will ultimately be passed on to each of the MS4s once Arapahoe County is able to get agreements in place.

- There have been ideas discussed where Arapahoe County Open Space will fund components of the Canal maintenance with each of the MS4s; these discussions are in the very beginning stages.
 - Mile High Flood District has a role in the Canal, and this is being further discussed to determine their ultimate role.
 - There are still many topics to be discussed but this new direction is, as of now, seen as favorable by all of the agencies involved, based on meetings where each of the agencies has been in attendance.
 - Any future maintenance requests that will be asked of SEMSWA will be brought to the SEMSWA Board for formal discussion and/or action.
- Roxi Jones will contact the SEMSWA Executive Director Review Committee to schedule a July meeting for Dan Olsen's one-year review.

8. The Floodplain Program Update was postponed due to time constraints.

9. Other Items

- The next SEMSWA Board Meeting will be a hybrid meeting at SEMSWA and available via GoToMeeting on Wednesday, June 21, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.
- The meeting was adjourned by Chair Miller at 3:53 p.m.