1) Call to order: 1:00 pm

a) Introductions

Board members:
- District 1: John Woodward (Chair) at Large: Michelle Allard
- District 2: Liz Biggs (Secretary) at Large: Mike Moonan (Treasurer)
- District 3: Ramon Castro at Large: June Vincze

Staff: Absent

BOCC: None

Guests:
- Kyle Balint
- John Carpenter (Landowner)
- Cheryl Cufre (Colorado Open Lands)
- Morgan Crowley (Wildlands Restoration Volunteers)
- Cheryl Cufre (Colorado Open Lands)
- Dan Drucker (CCWCD, CUSP, PCWPC)
- John Everest (Park County Fair Board Treasurer)
- John Geerdes (CUSP)
- Ben Lenth (Colorado Open Lands)
- Kate McCoy (NoLo)
- Dylan Sondermann (MALT)
- John Van Doren (FAB)
- Steve Vincze (District 1 Commissioner Candidate)
- Josh Voorhis (US Forest Service)
- Wendie L. Warner (CUSP)
- ?? (Landowner)

Woodward went over the ground rules for the meeting(s) including raise hand and be recognized, stay on time

b) Agenda

Woodward asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Moonan noted the revised agenda was not posted on the County’s web page. Woodward recognized the absence of County Staff for direction and requested discussion and or a motion. Biggs motioned to proceed with the revised agenda, Lamb seconded, motion carried 6-1.

c) November 2019 Minutes

Allard motioned to approve, seconded by Vincze; motion carried unanimously.

2) Old Business

a) Coalition for the Upper South Platte (CUSP)

i) John Geerdes (Executive Director) introduced himself, his experience, updated Lower 11 Mile Canyon Dam Removal and Landis Ranch Rehabilitation projects.

ii) Wendie L. Warner updated the 2019 Middle Fork & Tributaries Mine Water Quality project.

(1) The first year, 2018 the Middle Fork Mine Water Quality project result showed no evidence of contaminant due to mining.

(2) Retested three of the 2018 test sites with results within acceptable limits. Four new test areas, full range of testing, including Columbia Reservoir outlet, above and below Montgomery Reservoir, and above Magnolia Mill.

(a) Side note: This area is also part of CUSP’s 9 Element Watershed Plan. CUSP is working with Trout Unlimited to potentially reroute discharge from Orphan Boy adit.
(3) PowerPoint presentation and/or report to be forwarded to LWTFB for posting on web site.
(4) Woodward asked about potential slash site expenses. Historically not a LWTF expense.

b) Fire Adapted Bailey (FAB)
   i) Agenda shuffled FAB’s update followed WRV’s project presentation.
   ii) John Van Doren apologized for not having an application in as he was not able to meet the submission deadline due to holidays. He provided a project update handout
   (1) FAB met with the Division of Water Resources how to notify landowners and not start the clock for breaching dams. DWR will write a letter to fire chiefs to develop a plan during a moratorium. Fire Chiefs can then contact landowners.
   (2) Available water rights are diminishing, and time is not on our side.
   (3) Met with Senator Hisey regarding legislation to have rights for water suppression and potential to grandfather existing ponds.
   (4) Met with Colorado Water Conservation Board that has funding for infrastructure only, no funds for planning.
   (5) Met with BOCC and project fits within the mission of the fund. Prefer to own the water rights. Park County will apply to DOLA for an Administrative Grant of $50,000 for matching funds and Platte Canyon Fire Protection District as a proof of concept.
   (6) Engineer to use the National Standard for ponds to determine if it is appropriate to use.
   (7) Discussion regarding alternatives for ponds not meeting criteria. Discussed cistern paid for in Guffey. Woodward explained dry hydrants are less expensive and are paid for by the fire departments.
   iii) Engineering portion of the project will come back in May.

3) New Business
   a) Wildlands Restoration Volunteers (WRV)
      i) Agenda shuffled; WRV’s presentation preceded FAB’s application update.
      ii) Morgan Crowley provided an overview of the Beaver Creek Wetland Protection & ADA Boardwalk project application.
         (1) The project will complete a boardwalk on Beaver Creek originally funded in the Creek Protection and Erosion Control project (18-03). The original project was impacted by weather and boardwalk was delayed.
         (2) Project will start this spring, weather dependent and complete end of summer.
      iii) LWTFB requested a schedule update if weather delays the project start.
      iv) Lamb asked about keeping social trail. More difficult to keep the trail.

   b) North London Mill Preservation, Inc. (NoLo)
      i) Kate McCoy & Jeff Crane (Founders & Executive Co-Directors): North Mosquito Creek Crossing: Construction Documents and Construction.
         (1) Project has been revised to use a low water crossing with 4 smaller culverts.
         (2) Willing to not operate during crucial times for Big Horn Sheep and Mountain Goats
         (3) Vincze and Biggs asked about the 50-year lease, regarding owner selling the land
or determines unsatisfactory progress. NoLo agreed to amend the application to reimburse the LWTF if a buyout were to occur.

c) Colorado Open Lands (COL)
   i) Ben Lenth introduced John Carpenter, landowner, then outlined Rolling OM Ranch Conservation Easement application
      (1) Discussion on Big Horn Sheep population
      (2) Biggs asked about land valuations and project budget match percentages.
      (3) Allard commented on the comparable properties used in the preliminary valuation, then asked about the possible public access through all the other landowners’ properties. Public access has not been vetted yet, that the easement would be to protect the headwaters.
      (4) Woodward asked about easement values, LWTFB percentage of the project, and cap the approval of LWTF. Additional funding, possibly CPW, would still be required to fund.
      (5) June asked about the access and view shed, and how long it would take to get there.
      (6) Woodward discussed funding with contingency that there are funding sources.

d) County of Park
   i) John Everest (Treasurer), Fair Board, Urgent Request, Buttermilk Parcel Purchase reviewed the application and history of project. The Fair Board made an offer of $475,000 on asking price is $575,000.
   ii) Allard had several questions regarding the property, use of the property and frequency.
   iii) Moonan asked about the 2010 capital planning process, public participation and transparency. Fair Board minutes not on web site, neighbors not aware of the planned improvements.
   iv) Woodward advised the LWTF that Everest would be unable to answer most questions and perhaps should be asked of Park County Staff and BOCC.
   v) Biggs indicated LWTF needs to ask questions in order to make a recommendation to the BOCC. Questions included land appraisal costs, use of assessor’s information and the provided comparable valuations.
   vi) Vincze asked about GOCO application and funding to leverage the application, and equitable process for all applicants.
   vii) Lamb asked about the 2020 plans, short term parking improvements, long term improvements.
   viii) Drucker provided additional information on GOCO, CWCB, and DOLA grant funding.

4) Administrative Matters
   a) Financial – Expenditures
      i) Moonan presented financials, discussed report improvements to forecast fund balance
         (1) Moonan to work with James regarding questions about report format.
         (2) Woodward expressed concern about the 2020 Adopted Budget, forecast spending and forecast earnings.
         (3) Moonan indicated the reports will document LWTFB recommendations, future spending and reserves.
ii) Financials were accepted

b) Election of Officers
   i) Allard motioned for Lamb as Chair, Woodward as Vice Chair, Vincze seconded, motion carried unanimously

c) Code of Conduct for Advisory Boards
   i) Distributed but no context was provided due to staff absence.

5) Public Comments
   a) Drucker
      i) Suggested having comment after each presentation.
      ii) Regarding conservation easements, good agricultural land is about $2000/acre x 148 = $296,000
      iii) Could applications be posted on website or hard copies distributed at the meeting for meeting guests?
           (1) Suggestion was made to request information from Park County when Agenda is posted.

6) Directors Comments
   a) Moonan asked about rotating the next Regular Session. Agreement to meet at Fairplay.

Next meeting
   May 6, 2020, 1pm, Fairplay

Adjourned
   4:05 pm.
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Total Project Funding Request: $760,148.28
LWTFB Project Funding Recommendation: $137,148.28

**Narrative**

The LWTFB is committed to working with Park County (PC) Staff in developing Best Business Practices to manage expanded use of the Sales Tax Trust Fund (Fund 19), also known as the Land & Water Trust Fund LWTF. Much was accomplished in 2019 and goals for 2020 are being set. Highlights include:

2019 Accomplishments
1. Development of a new application process for project funding.
2. Improvements to the web site including:
   a. Creation of a new LWTF e-mail.
   b. PDF application form has fillable fields and can be downloaded from the web site.
3. Development of Google Drive:
   b. Collaborative workbook to simplify project score and ranking.
4. Creation of Secretary and Treasurer positions to assist staff and better define roles and responsibilities between the LWTFB and PC Staff.
5. Recommendation to PC Staff to increase 2020 Planned Budget to more accurately reflect future spending.

2020 Goals and Recommendations
1. Begin the development of potential "Opportunities" from existing studies to better plan future budget priorities. Ball in Court: LWTFB
2. Assist PC Staff in the development of new and automated reports. Ball in Court: PC Staff
3. Assist PC Staff in migrating away from offline spreadsheets into the current PC software system. Ball in Court: PC Staff
4. Recommend BOCC to guide PC Staff in the BOCC's vision through the year to continue improving the budget development process for 2021.
5. Recommend BOCC and PC Staff revisit public posting of BOCC Work Sessions with the LWTFB to a longer lead time than 24 hours prior to a meeting.

LWTFB provides the following project recommendations to the BOCC for consideration:

20-01 WRV - Beaver Creek Wetland Protection:
LWTFB unanimously approves this project for 100% funding.

20-02 NoLo - North Mosquito Creek Crossing: Construction Documents and Construction:
LWTFB unanimously approves this project for 100% funding with the following condition:
NoLo provides Park County written assurance that NoLo will reimburse Park County for Park County's share of improvements as noted in NoLo's 50 year Commercial Lease with Mine Water Finance LLC (Reference lease document paragraph 2. Buyout at Lease Termination).

20-03 COL - Rolling OM Ranch Conservation Easement:
LWTFB recognizes conservation easements are an important part of providing land owners the ability to keep land free from development. 4 LWTFB members are concerned about the current lack of public access and limited view sheds resulting in 4 members recommendation not to fund the project over 3 recommendations to approve.  The LWTFB is unanimous in its recommendation that should the BOCC decide to approve the project, the approval should be contingent on matching funds.

20-04 County of Park - Buttermilk Purchase:
LWTFB recognizes there is a need to address the growth of the Park County Fair and the need to support increased traffic. This project is well intended however it is being rushed. Many steps typically required for a project of this nature appear to have been skipped over. The LWTFB believes more information and public input should be gathered. It would be better to see the fair grounds master plan before approval. Other consideration for the BOCC include:
1. The plan as presented only addresses parking congestion and seems expensive for that type of use.
2. The plan as presented involves the use of PC Public Works, reallocating crews away from warm weather road maintenance activities.
3. The plan as presented lacked coordination with Fairplay and Colorado Department of Transportation. There may be unintended consequences resulting in erosion of the public's trust.
4. An independent accurate appraised value of the property should be conducted.
5. Funding should be contingent upon a GOCO grant up to $350,000.
6. If the property were to be used for anything other than outdoor recreation, would Park County be required to reimburse the fund to the LWTF?
Funding should be contingent upon a resolution, prior to purchase, that the property will only be used for the benefit of the Park County Fair.
7. Affordable housing development would be more benefit to community.

LWTFB members recommendations: 3 No, 3 Revise, and 1 Yes contingent on items 5 & 6.