

MINUTES
CML Executive Board Meeting
April 26, 2019, Denver, Colorado

Board members present: President Wade Troxell, Mayor, Fort Collins; Vice President Liz Hensley, Mayor Pro Tem, Alamosa; Secretary/Treasurer Robert Widner, City Attorney, Centennial; Past President Carol Dodge, Mayor, Northglenn; Ronnald Akey, Planning Commissioner, Wray; Lawrence Atencio, Council Member, Pueblo; Kendra Black, Council Member, Denver; Cathie Brunnick, Mayor Pro Tem, Lone Tree; Dale Hall, Council Member, Greeley; Kathy Hodgson, City Manager, Lakewood; Frank Lancaster, Town Administrator, Estes Park; Carlos López, Council Member, Trinidad; Ashley McMurray, Mayor Pro Tem, Hayden; Kathi Meyer, Council President Pro Tem, Steamboat Springs; Robert Roth, Mayor Pro Tem, Aurora; Kirby Wallin, Council Member, Brighton.

Board members absent: Kristie Melendez, Mayor, Windsor; Jessica Sandgren, Council Member, Thornton.

CML Staff members present: Kevin Bommer, Executive Director; Morgan Cullen, Legislative & Policy Advocate; Brandy DeLange, Legislative & Policy Advocate; Meghan Dollar, Legislative & Policy Advocate; Kathleen Harrison, Meetings and Events Coordinator; Laurel Witt, Staff Attorney; Traci Stoffel, Communications and Design Specialist; Christine Taniguchi, Communications Coordinator; Allison Wright, Finance & Administration Manager; Dianne Backhus, Executive Assistant.

The meeting was called to order by President Troxell at 10:15 AM. A quorum was established.

Dale Hall moved and Kathi Meyer seconded a MOTION THAT THE MARCH 21, 2019 MINUTES BE APPROVED. The motion passed unanimously.

Traci Stoffel received special recognition from Kevin Bommer and the Board for her 13 years of service to CML and her many accomplishments as Communications and Design Specialist. Wade Troxell presented her with a plaque, and the board wished her well in her new position with DOLA.

Rodney Rice from Rubin Brown presented the Independent Auditor's Report from the 2018 audit conducted in February/March, 2019. Kathy Hodgson moved and Ronn Akey seconded a MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AUDITOR'S REPORT AS PROVIDED. The motion passed unanimously. Allison Wright presented CML dues calculated as per the dues schedule announced at the June 2016 Annual Business Meeting, along with a projected 2020 budget. Frank Lancaster moved and Carol Dodge seconded a MOTION TO APPROVE THE 2020 MUNICIPAL DUES AS PRESENTED. The motion passed unanimously.

Christine Taniguchi gave an overview of the new CML logo and rebranding. Rollout of the new website is scheduled for early May.

Laurel Witt presented an Amicus Committee recommendation regarding a potential application of the Colorado Open Meetings Law to CDPHE staff meetings, and its potential implications for all municipalities and their staffs. Carlos López moved and Kendra Black seconded a MOTION THAT CML PARTICIPATE IN THE APPEAL AS PRESENTED. The motion passed unanimously.

Meghan Dollar presented an update on several legislative issues. There was discussion on legislation regarding affordable housing, regulation of industrial hemp in food products, sports betting, and substance abuse treatment and prevention. Dale Hall moved and Carlos López seconded a MOTION TO APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS ON THESE BILLS. The motion passed unanimously.

Kathleen Harrison provided the Board with up-to-date information regarding the CML Annual Conference in June, including the Board dinner planned for the evening of June 19.

Kevin Bommer reminded the Board of the application process for election to the Board. Elections will be held at the Annual Conference. Board officers will be selected at the Board meeting following the annual meeting. He also introduced information regarding the annual Board Retreat to be held on July 12 in Alamosa.

Guest Michael Silverstein from the Regional Air Quality Council gave an informative presentation on air pollution issues impacting Colorado, especially ozone-forming emissions along the Front Range. He suggested behavioral changes and cost-effective ways municipalities can improve air quality, including special RAQC programs encouraging use of alternative fuels and replacement of aging garden equipment.

Kevin Bommer provided a report on his first days as Executive Director, plans for the search for a new Engagement and Communications Manager, and his upcoming Spring Outreach Listening Tour in May. He also proposed using the previous Executive Director's Performance Plan as the framework for his first evaluation this fall.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 1:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Widner
Secretary/Treasurer