



Minutes

March 6, 2008

Denver

The meeting was called to order by CAST President Joyce Burford at 12:00.

Introductions were made and in attendance were: Joyce Burford, William Buck, Dick Cleveland, Tim Gagen, Michael Penny, Kevin Batchelder, Larry Brooks, Frank Bell, Stu Fraser, Jim Stevens, Glenn Harrington, Shane Hale, Kathy Lewis, Judy Burke, Vicki Mattox, Dave Ferrill, Nick Teverbaugh, Steve Ivancie, Russ Forrest, Jim Peterson, Adam Cwiklin, Steve Skadron, Lulu Hunt, Steve Barwick, David Oyster, Stan Zemler, John Warner, Ernie Blake, Andrea Benda, Joe Fitzpatrick, Devin Granbery, John Wilkinson, Susan Parker and Paul Strong.

The minutes from January 2008 were approved unanimously.

Carla Perez, the Governor's Transportation Policy Analyst, presented a PowerPoint from MOVE Colorado that addressed the crumbling infrastructure of the State's transportation system. A Resolution to Support the Governor's Transportation Finance and Implementation Panel Report and Funding Threshold Recommendations was presented and passed unanimously.

Nick Teverbaugh led a discussion on woody biomass legislation.

Susan Parker led a discussion on mining issues and how historic and recreation interests need to be evaluated in the permit process.

Denver Mayor John Hickenlooper spoke about a number of regional issues. The Democratic National Convention will be held in Denver in August but the benefits and publicity will affect not just the Front Range but all of Colorado and our neighboring states. It will be the first "green" convention; bicycles will be a primary mode of transit and there will be a fleet of Prius taxis.

The Mayor also discussed Denver International Airport and that the increasing use of regional jets would help travel throughout Colorado. He also spoke to the hope of hosting a Pan-American Cultural Biennial Festival in Denver.

Sam Mamet and CML staff discussed current State and Federal legislation including; pine beetles and fire danger, health care and the 208 commission, Community Development Block Grants and energy grants, immigration, condemnation, and the Mining Act.

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A Resolution was presented to Support the Colorado Climate Project's Recommendations. After discussion, the Resolution was amended to Support the Colorado Climate Project's Work and to Consider the Recommendations. The amended motion passed unanimously.

Paul Strong gave an overview of some first steps towns can take to address their carbon footprint. The Rocky Mountain Climate Organization has set up a Local Initiative Steering Committee that will be looking at this issue in depth.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00.