

SPOKANE AQUIFER JOINT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 24, 2012

1) CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Directors of the Spokane Aquifer Joint Board (SAJB) met in Regular Session at Pasadena Park Irrigation District No. 17, 9227 E. Upriver Drive, Spokane, Washington on May 24, 2012. President Ty Wick was in attendance. A total of 13 attended the meeting, 11 SAJB voting representatives, 2 non-voting members.

Consideration of Regular Meeting Minutes

President Wick called for any additions, corrections or comments to the Minutes of April 26, 2012. Hearing none, the minutes were approved as submitted.

2) FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Vice President Bob Ashcraft reported for the Treasurer as follows:

SAJB Administration Funds

The SAJB Checking Account balance is \$6,907.46

SAJB Wellhead Implementation Plan (WIP) Funds

The WIP checking balance is \$66,901.51. Spokane County Investment Pool (Implementation) balance is \$56,999.65.

Administration and WIP Bills

President Wick presented the Bill Payment Summary for May 2012. The May Bill Payment Summary totaled \$7,950.55. Those present reviewed the summary. The May summary detailed SAJB Administration bills of \$0.00 and Wellhead Implementation Bills of \$17,238.50. The Program Leader Consulting Services including mileage and reimbursements for the month of May amounted to \$3,271.72. Scott Inch moved to approve the Bill Payment Summary as presented, Bruce Davidson seconded the motion. President Wick called for the vote, the motion carried unanimously.

3) OLD BUSINESS

Wellhead Regulatory Process and Wellhead Protection – Bill Rickard reported that preliminary information had been received from the contractor using groundwater modeling runs to determine the impact on wellhead capture zones with all purveyor pumps withdrawing aquifer water at maximum water right capacity. The model includes runoff contributions for identified capture zones. The next Wellhead Protection Meeting will be held at 1:30 pm, June 4th, 2012, in the Centerplace Conference Center. The Contractors will be at the meeting to further discuss the modeling and findings.

Idaho Washington Aquifer Collaborative (IWAC) – President Wick reported that the 5th IWAC meeting was held at Liberty Lake Sewer & Water District, on May 8, 2012. IWAC short term and long terms goals were the primary area of discussion. In addition long-term facilitation, funding and organizational structure continue to need definition.

Bill Rickard indicated that an organizational structure will need to be defined before IWAC funding can be presented to the City of Spokane for consideration.

An IWAC, meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 12th from 1:30 to 3:30 PM at LLSWD large conference room was held subsequent to the May 24th SAJB Meeting and further outlined IWAC goals and facilitation needs. The next IWAC meeting will be held on July 10, 2012 to consider possible organizational structures that will allow for financial participation across WA and ID agencies, sovereign tribal nations, cities, water districts, SAJB, non-profits, and private entities. All future meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of each month at LLSWD.

Bank Change from Bank of America to Washington Trust Bank - President Wick reported that the transfer of SAJB bank accounts to Washington Trust has essentially been completed.

Funding Options for WIRA 55/57 Planning Unit Activities – President Wick reported that WIRA funding is ending. Rusty Post, Department of Ecology, reported that Ecology Management was considering utilizing some left over implementation money for in-stream flow rule making in WIRA 57 rather than WIRA implementation projects. President Wick vigorously objected to this repurposing of the WIRA funds for rulemaking especially in light of Governor Gregoire's moratorium on rule-making. Questions were raised about the use of WIRA funds for rule-making. WIRA meetings have been reduced to one per month with no funding beyond July and no apparent support to add them to a ballot for public funding.

4) NEW BUSINESS

SAJB Summer Meeting Recess – The next meeting will be held on September 27, 2012. The Executive Committee will meet during the summer recess to approve and pay bills.

5) WELLHEAD PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION PLAN – Program Manager Tonilee Hanson

Potential Contaminant Source Inventory – Bill Rickard presented, for discussion, a power point of identified businesses in relation to the wellhead protection capture zones and addressed the City of Spokane's questions about the relevance of businesses listed in the PCSI report. Does the DOH require letters to

all businesses with potential contaminants or only those businesses that are located within wellhead protection and capture zones? The City of Spokane's 2010 PCSI list contained 1,800 businesses. The 2012 PCSI list contains 2,298 businesses but if the list were culled to just the identified wellhead protection zones the number of relevant businesses would be reduced to around 200 businesses.

Discussion focused on the wellhead protection model which abbreviated capture zones to the smallest time of travel and might not offer the level of protection needed for the aquifer or required by DOH. Terry Squibb suggested that the identification of businesses and the areas defined for focus should be consistent so that all purveyors are "on the same page." Bob Ashcraft expressed the philosophy that anyone running a business with the potential to contaminate the aquifer should be advised of such.

President Wick proposed, and the members present agreed, that each purveyor has authority to remove or add businesses to the PCSI list as long as they remain in compliance with the DOH regulations. Tonilee Hanson will work with Reanette Boese to send the regulatory language out to everyone for review. The City of Spokane includes areas that are not over the aquifer and may be considered for deletion from the PCSI list as long as the footprint of the aquifer and the wellhead protection areas are maintained. It was agreed that archives should be maintained of the existing lists in the event of a future issue in wellhead protection capture zones.

Half of the PCSI reports have not yet been returned. Prompt return of the remaining reports is necessary so the letters can go out soon to the identified businesses.

PCSI Letter to Businesses – Copies of the 2010 business letter and "Quick Contact Guide" insert were reviewed and discussed. The insert was last edited in 2006, and it was agreed that the following changes would be made:

1. Contact names to be removed
2. Contact information to be added for Spokane County Pre-Treatment program
3. "E-waste disposal" information to replace "cathode ray tube disposal"
4. All phone numbers to be verified
5. Web addresses to be added
6. EnviroStars Recognition Program information to be added to both the letter and insert.
7. The number of businesses listed in the letter (4,000) to reflect the actual number of businesses receiving the letter.

National Prescription Drug Take Back Day – April 28, 2012, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the Spokane Valley Police Department parking lot 12710 E. Sprague – This event was considered a success by the City of Spokane Valley Police Department as ten large boxes, containing 402 pounds of unused and unwanted prescription

drugs, were collected. A similar event is being planned for the fall. Thanks to everyone who publicized this event with your customers.

2012 Education & Awareness Events - Tonilee summarized recently completed and upcoming events and invited everyone to attend any and all of these community events over the summer recess.

- Jr. Lilac Parade - 5/12/12
- Spokane Youth Environmental Conference - 5/17/12
- AWWA Awards Dinner - 5/30/12
- Valley Rotary Luncheon - 6/6/12
- Parade of Paws Parade - 6/9/12 – Aqua Duck
- Discover Riverside State Park - 6/24/12
- Northwest Area Hazardous Materials Management Assn. Conference is being held in Spokane 6/25-28/12, at the Davenport Hotel. The EnviroStars Program will do a panel presentation on Wed., 6/27/12 from 10:30 – 12:00, with representatives from the eight participating counties. State Coordinator, Laurel Tomchick, will receive a NAHMMA award for Outstanding Personal Achievement for the EnviroStars Program.
- Hispanic Festival - 8/4/12
- Interstate Fair - 9/8-16/12
- Valley Fest - 9/22-23/12

Centennial Trail Signs- Printing and installation to be finalized by mid-July

Web Rebuild Update – Tonilee displayed the website and requested feedback on the following:

1. Member Purveyor Contact pages – All members present received a paper template to verify or update their district information to be included. Electronic copies will be sent out for those not present.
2. The Service Area Map – Members present would like to see a revised Google-type map that would include searchable features. This searchable map is possible but was not part of the original scope of work and bid and may need to be an added feature once the rebuilt website goes live.
3. The Virtual Field Trip revised navigation is clean and user friendly
4. The SEPA and Pre-Development News feed. Bill Rickard expressed concern that the Pre-Development meetings are not public meetings and therefore the information should not be available to the general public on the SAJB website. Terry Squibb suggested consideration of a member's only section.

The next web rebuild meeting is June 14, 2012 2:00 pm at the City of Spokane Water Department. Everyone is invited to review and comment on the continuing web rebuild by viewing <http://annefrancis.org>. The original site will remain live until the rebuilt site is ready for launching.

Aqua Duck on Facebook – If you have a Facebook account and are willing, please “friend and like” Aqua Duck Superhero. This is one of the ways that the

website re-launch will be announced to the public. Photo albums of Education and Awareness events are added to Aqua Duck's Wall following events.

Household Waste – Flushables – Tracy Stevens, Pre-Treatment Technician for the City of Spokane Riverside Park Water Reclamation Facility, worked with Channel 5 to produce a very informative video about "Flushables". It is posted on Aqua Duck's Facebook page and will be added to the video collection on the rebuilt website.

6) OPEN FORUM –

Contact Bill Rickard if you are chlorinating and interested in a demonstration of a reagent chlorine analyzer. Bill also informed the members of the Yellowstone Pipeline Desktop in October 2012.

7) GUEST SPEAKER – None

8) ADJOURN

There being no further business this 24nd day of May, 2012, President Wick adjourned the meeting at 2:42 pm.

President Ty Wick

Secretary Todd Henry