

SPOKANE AQUIFER JOINT BOARD AGENDA

December 19, 2002 1:30 PM
Vera Water & Power 601 North Evergreen Road

1. CALL TO ORDER

Welcome and Introductions
Consideration of November 21, 2002 Meeting Minutes

2. FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT - Steve Skipworth, Treasurer – Kim Beal, Accountant Review and Approve Bills

3. OLD BUSINESS

Aquifer quantity study by Spokane/Coeur d'Alene Chambers
Moratorium on Water Rights in Idaho
Virtual Aquifer Tour – Kim Foley

4. NEW BUSINESS

Wellhead Implementation Assessment
2003 Budgets
Program Leader Contract Extension

5. WELLHEAD PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Committee Reports

ProActive Business – Ecology progress report on business visits available at meeting

Potential Contaminant Source Inventory – wrapping up meta data portion of contract

Household Contaminant Disposal – draft budget to present

Education & Awareness – draft budget to present; Virtual Field Trip (VFT) project progressing see the draft at www.field-trips.org/sci/aquifer; new tv, radio spots and print ad in production for launch late January; focus on establishing direct teacher contacts to market VFT and Aqua Duck performance

Emergency Planning – Water Quality Emergency Coordination questionnaire: Thank you to those who have completed it, all others, please complete!!

PROGRAM LEADER REPORT – Julia McHugh

- a) GUEST SPEAKER - Deb Bisenius, Chemist @ City Wastewater Treatment Plant
- b) Ecology revising Underground Injection Well regulations – Bill Rickard to report
- c) Reminder: Comments on County Critical Areas Ordinance due NOW. This will guide future development over the Aquifer
- d) Cost of generic door hangars for emergency events, color card stock:
 - 4 ¼ x 11, printed 1 side \$70/500, \$85/1000, \$120/2000
 - 4 ¼ x 11, printed 2 sides \$80/500, \$100/1000, \$145/2000
- e) Spokane Youth Environmental Conference, May 2003 – request for SAJB sponsorship – concluded venue is for students to display their projects rather than take in external information. SAJB committed to providing decals and refrigerator magnets to the expected 250 participants, and to providing assistance to any student preparing a project.
- f) Watershed Resource Inventory Analysis WRIA – next meeting December 18th
- g) Washington Citizens Advisory Committee – no news
- h) Annual Groundwater Foundation Conference highlights – emailed with agenda and available as handout at meeting

6. ADJOURN

SPOKANE AQUIFER JOINT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

(1) CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME:

The Board of Directors of the Spokane Aquifer Joint Board (SAJB) met in Regular Session at Vera Water and Power, 601 N. Evergreen, Spokane, Washington on November 21, 2002. President Ty Wick welcomed those in attendance and called the meeting to order at 1:30PM.

Board of Directors Roll Call and Introductions:

President Ty Wick, Vice-President Bob Ashcraft, Treasurer Steve Skipworth and Secretary Kathleen Small were in attendance. A total of 14 attended the meeting, 13 SAJB member representatives, Program Leader (PL) Julia McHugh as per the attached Meeting Attendance Register. Secretary Small took the minutes of the meeting.

Consideration of the October 24, 2002 Meeting Minutes:

The minutes of the SAJB meeting held on October 24, 2002 were approved as sent out.

(2) FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT:

SAJB Administration Funds:

Treasurer Skipworth reported as follows: The SAJB Checking account balance is \$4,033.57 and the Spokane County Investment Pool (Wellhead Protection) balance is \$1,059.03. Treasurer Skipworth reported that he had no new bills to be reviewed and approved.

SAJB Wellhead Implementation Plan (WIP) Funds: Ty Wick reported for Kim Beal, City of Spokane, that the WIP checking account balance is \$7,270.43, the Spokane County Investment Pool (Implementation) is \$209,290.67 and Implementation Savings is \$1,067.56.

Presented/Approved Administration and WIP Bills:

President Wick presented the attached Bill Payment Summary (Total of \$ 11,442.55) for November 2002. Those present reviewed the summary. Terry Squibb made the motion, and Bob Ashcraft seconded, that the bills be paid in accordance with the presented summary as follows: Wellhead Implementation bills: \$11,442.55, which includes the Program Leader Fee, plus Mileage and Reimbursable in the amount of \$5,186.17 for 10/23/02 through 11/17/02. Education and Awareness Committee \$4,425.00. Department of Ecology \$1,831.38. President Wick called for the vote, the motion carried unanimously.

(3) OLD BUSINESS:

Aquifer Quantity Study by Spokane/Coeur d'Alene Chambers

Ty Wick reported that the Study is in limbo – Congress adjourned without action.

Virtual Aquifer Tour

Julia reported that the tour is coming along but not finalized yet.

4) NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 2002-06

Ty Wick presented Resolution 2002-06, KDK-1 Multimedia Services Contract – 1 TV spot, 2 radio spots. Gary Lowe moved and Jim Lahde seconded that the second reading of Resolution 2002-06 be waived and the resolution approved. President Wick called for the vote, (13 members voted, yeah. 5 members, absent) Resolution 2002-06 was approved.

Spokane Youth Environmental Conference

Ty Wick received a letter from this group asking for our help. The conference is May 21, 2003 Julia will respond to this request.

(5) WELLHEAD PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION PLAN Committee Reports

ProActive Business – Ecology Report: “Completed approximately 35 visits since the last report to SAJB. We have only seen minor violations of the dangerous waste regulations. We have focused on automobile repair and body shops. The evaluations have been good with the average being 4.6 out of 5 (5 being the highest mark). We anticipate doing about the same amount of visits next month. Terri Miller will also be doing some visits too.”

Potential Contaminant Source Inventory – Hard copy database maps available for those Districts with changes. Meeting with Stan Miller – future updates and data sources discussed; informed the annual Aquifer Sensitive Area (ASA) fee paid by county property owners will sunset in 2005 – soliciting SAJB Membership views/ideas of renewal. Ty Wick said that the SAJB might try to help the County to keep that fee in place. Gary Lowe motioned and Jim Lahde seconded that Ty Wick, Steve Skipworth and Julia McHugh meet with The County to discuss options.

Household Contaminant Disposal – Kathy Small reported that the Committee would meet 12/04/2002 at 1:30 PM at Pasadena Park.

Education & Awareness – Aqua Duck promotional materials under development – 20 minute video available of live Aqua Duck performance; Virtual Field Trip under development; assembly mailing list of science teachers and pertinent EALRS and WASL (WA State educational goals/standards) so as to directly market Aqua Duck and VFT; decision to not publish two poster contest entries – graphics very difficult to discern.

Emergency Planning – Water Quality Emergency Coordination questionnaire redistributed – please complete by the end of November; SAJB consider purchase of generic door hangars for emergency events. Extra Dept. of Health Emergency Response folders available.

Program Leader Report – Julia McHugh

- i) Discussion on cost sharing with SRC4 and IESS for a microphone and speaker – it was decided not to join in.
- j) GUEST SPEAKER: Unable to attend due to personal reasons.
- k) Ice Age Floods Institute membership offer – Membership acknowledged – newsletter received, will support a broad effort to showcase floods, which in part created the Spokane/Rathdrum Prairie Aquifer; working with National Park Service to establish multi-state Ice Age Floods Geologic Interpretive tour.
- l) Watershed Resource Inventory Analysis WRIA – October 23, 2002 meeting-progress report by Golder on instream flow work in Little Spokane River, and discussion of future instream flow work in Spokane River & possible collaboration with Avista. Steve Skipworth reported that at the November 20, 2002 meeting there was a discussion of the model, which starts at Avista's Post Falls Dam & Spokane River.
- m) Rathdrum Prairie/Spokane Valley Aquifer joint study – no news.
- n) Washington Citizens Advisory Committee – no news.
- o) Safe Water Coalition of Washington State – reports 5 Pierce County utility districts are suing Tacoma-Pierce County Board of Health for their decision to mandate fluoridation in Pierce County.
- p) Groundwater Foundation Conference November 17 – 20, Eugene, OR – Julia reported that the Conference was very good and that she would have a full report at the December meeting
- q) The Aqua Duck video was shown after the meeting
- r) Contaminate Source Inventory – trying to get Fire Districts to share their data.

(6) ADJOURNMENT

There being no further regular business this 21st day of November President Wick adjourned the meeting.

President Ty Wick

Secretary Kathleen M. Small