

SPOKANE AQUIFER JOINT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

December 20, 2007

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 December 20th, 2007. President Wick welcomed those in attendance and called the meeting to order at 1:35 PM.

Board of Directors Roll Call and Introductions

President Ty Wick, Vice-President Bob Ashcraft, and Secretary Kathleen Small were in attendance. A total of 17 attended the meeting, 9 SAJB Voting Representatives representing 11 SAJB Members, 1 Non-Voting SAJB Member, Program Leader Erin Casci and 6 Guests.

Consideration of Regular Meeting Minutes

President Wick called for any additions, corrections or comments to the Minutes of November 29th, 2007. The minutes were approved as presented.

2) FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Janet Shaw filling in for Treasurer McIntyre reported as follows:

SAJB Administration Funds

The SAJB Checking Account balance is \$1,985.23 and the Spokane County Investment Pool (Wellhead Protection) balance is \$1,310.27.

SAJB Wellhead Implementation Plan (WIP) Funds

The WIP checking balance is \$115,702.60 the Spokane County Investment Pool (Implementation) is \$30,710.20 and Implementation Savings is \$73.92.

Presented/Approved Administration and WIP Bills

President Wick presented the attached estimated Bill Payment Summary for December 20th, 2007 – Total \$26,185.80. Those present reviewed the summary, discussion followed. The Summary detailed SAJB Administration bills of \$0.00, and Wellhead Implementation Bills of \$26,185.80. The Program Leader Consulting Services for December 2007, which were included in the above, were \$2,990.60, including mileage and reimbursements. President Wick called for the vote, the motion carried unanimously.

3) OLD BUSINESS

Wellhead Regulatory Process and Wellhead Protection Designations

Bill Rickard reported that Lloyd Brewer sent the Memorandum of Understanding to other local land use regulators. There were no responses except for Fairchild AFB who is ready to go forward. Lloyd called other regulators and the County said they plan to sign the MOU. Lloyd will check more after the holidays.

4) NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2007-06

The Emerald Outdoor Advertising Contract for billboard advertising was discussed. Jim Lahde motioned that the resolution be accepted, Dave Johnson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 2007-07

The KSPS 2008 contract was discussed. Glenn Terry motioned that the resolution be accepted, Jim Lahde seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

5) WELLHEAD PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Program Manager Casci reported as follows:

Local Emergency Planning Committee Table Top – The Spokane County LEPC held a tabletop with the EPA surface water emergency cleanup team. The scenario included severe winds, low temperatures, and a two train collision that ignited diesel fuel and spilled the chemical used to give natural gas its distinctive odor on the ground. The table top participants were very interested in the aquifer, its monitoring wells, and how purveyors and the DOH would respond and notify the community if necessary. Bill Rickard asked if procedures used to put out the fire were discussed. They were not due to the small amount of diesel given in the scenario, the fire department representatives were confident that the fire would burn itself out.

Dave Kelly and the Education Meeting – The next education meeting will be held on Jan 3rd, 2:00pm at Modern Electric. Dave Kelly will be there to present the first draft of Aqua Duck Issue #4.

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Aquifer Protection Council Regional Education Committee – At the last APC meeting, interest was expressed in a regional education committee. PM Casci will be the organizer of the first meeting in February. She may also coordinate future meetings.

6) OPEN FORUM

Jim Ladhe reminded that larger water purveyors should be started on the Water Use Efficiency requirements. Jan 22nd is the deadline if the system has 1,000 or more connections. Dave Johnson said that Modern had their public meetings and no one came. Two packets were taken from the main office. Ty Wick expects SCWD #3 to have a public meeting in early January. Todd Henry with Vera hasn't yet set a public meeting date.

Dave Johnson stated that he had received a very interesting article on the WSU/Ecology lawsuit. WSU wanted to consolidate old and unused water rights to irrigate a golf course. Due to conservation of the whole campus, WSU will be using less water overall with the golf course than they were before they started their conservation efforts. Dave thought that many of the issues discussed would be applicable to his system. He will send the info on the PM Casci who will then distribute it to SAJB.

President Wick inquired as to the next meeting with Fire District 1. Jim Lahde stated that the topic will probably be fire hydrant locks. Todd Henry will bring the info he received from the ID/WA meeting. A date will be set after the first of January. Dave Johnson felt that locks may be a deterrent but they will not fix the problem.

7) GUEST SPEAKER

Ben Brattebo with Spokane County Water Resources gave a presentation on the County's proposed indoor water conservation rebate program and showed examples of inclining block water rates from various entities attempting to encourage water conservation through pricing.

8) ADJOURN

There being no further business this 20th day of December, 2007 President Wick adjourned the meeting at 3:30 PM

President Ty Wick

Secretary Kathleen M Small