



SPOKANE AQUIFER JOINT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 28, 2021

SAJB Officers:

President Jeremy Jenkins, VP Shane Sheppard, Secretary Todd Henry, Treasurer Doug Greenlund

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Directors of the Spokane Aquifer Joint Board (SAJB) met in Regular Session via Zoom. A total of 20 attended the meeting including 12 SAJB voting representatives. Others in attendance included 2 SAJB alternate voting representatives, 0 non-voting member, Program Manager Hanson and 5 guests. The sign-in sheet of SAJB members and guests is available upon request. The meeting was called to order at 1:32 pm.

Consideration of Regular Meeting Minutes

President Jeremy Jenkins called for any additions, corrections or deletions to the Minutes of December 17, 2020. Bryan St. Clair moved to approve the December minutes and Doug Greenlund seconded the motion. President Jenkins called for a vote and the motion carried unanimously.

2. FINANCAL REPORT

Treasurer Doug Greenlund presented the January Financial Report

The **January Administrative Payment** totaled \$41.14 as detailed in check number 1028. Check number 1027 was voided due to jamming in the printer.

The **January WIP Bill Payment Summary** totaled \$6,144.79 as detailed in WIP check numbers 2520-2522. The January summary detailed Wellhead Implementation Bills of \$2,632.75. Program Manager Consulting Services including mileage and reimbursements for the month of January amounted to \$3,512.04.

Those present reviewed the bill payment summary for January. Shane Sheppard moved to approve the January 2021 Bill Payment Summary as presented. BiJay Adams seconded the motion. President Jenkins called for a vote and the motion carried unanimously.

2021 Assessments Update – Treasurer Doug Greenlund thanked all purveyors for sending their 2021 connection numbers. Doug has prepared the assessment invoices and they will be mailed this week. Doug requests that members send two checks, one for the administrative dues and one for the wellhead implementation assessment.

3. NEW BUSINESS

2021 DRAFT Resolutions for Review and Approval – President Jenkins presented the 2021 resolutions individually for discussion and approval. For each resolution, the members who made and seconded the motions to approve and the voting results are recorded below.

2021-01 SAJB_KSPS PBS - BiJay Adams moved to approve Resolution 2021-01. Tim Murrell seconded the motion. President Jenkins called for the vote and the motion passed 12 ayes and 0 nays.

2021-02 SAJB_Spokane River Forum - Bryan St. Clair moved to approve Resolution 2021-02. Doug Greenlund seconded the motion. President Jenkins called for the vote and the motion passed 12 ayes and 0 nays.

2021-03 SAJB_Blue Sky Marketing - Tim Murrell moved to approve Resolution 2021-03. Doug Greenlund seconded the motion. President Jenkins called for the vote and the motion passed 12 ayes and 0 nays.

2021-04 SAJB_Boese Water Resources - BiJay Adams moved to approve Resolution 2021-04. Rick Neal seconded the motion. President Jenkins called for the vote and the motion passed 12 ayes and 0 nays.

2021 Program Manager Extension Letter – Kelly Williquette moved to approve PM Extension Letter. Bryan St. Clair seconded the motion. President Jenkins called for the vote and the motion passed 12 ayes and 0 nays.

Aquifer Protection - Gravel Pits – Tim Murrell requested information on the history of the regional gravel pits and how purveyors are addressing them in their Risk and Resilience Assessments. Discussion followed. Topics covered included permit requirements, regulations on land use around the pits, conflicting regulatory jurisdictions (DNR, Critical Areas Ordinance, Ecology, Shoreline Regulations, Municipalities and Spokane County (e.g., Mining Regulation 14.620). This topic will be discussed again at a future SAJB meeting. This item could become a new section of the SAJB Wellhead Implementation Plan as it is reviewed and updated.

Rob Lindsay reminded everyone of the important work Doug Greenlund and Lloyd Brewer did several year ago, preparing wellhead protection policy for adoption by municipalities. Modelling created by John Porcello was incorporated to demonstrate the need, but the efforts stalled for a variety of reasons. SAJB is focused on prevention. Unfortunately, it seems to take an incident like the PFOS contamination in Airway Heights (Fairchild Air Force base fire-fighting foam), requiring extensive clean-up, to get policy makers and the public interested in taking action.

4. OLD BUSINESS

[Wellhead Implementation Plan \(WIP\) Update](#) – Tabled to February 25, 2021

Find My Water Provider Map – IWAC has signed a contract with Ashley Williams at Welch Comer to compile the mapping information for the Idaho water purveyors. Ashley will have a draft map prepared for review by the IWAC meeting on 3/9/21. Reanette Boese requested assistance from Kelly Williquette SCWD3 and Tim Murrell Whitworth Water District to verify service area changes.

Virtual Service Truck Rodeo 2/24/21 and 3/3/21 – BiJay Adams asked everyone to [register for the virtual Truck Rodeo](#). Invite your staff to be a part of the Truck Rodeo and get discounted rates for your group. Members were reminded to send videos of their Water Tasting events, trucks and any new gimmicks and gadgets. [Submit your videos which are due by February 15, 2021](#).

Aqua Duck’s New Costume – Members reviewed the Aqua Duck Costume head options and agreed that they preferred the version with the tufts of hair.



Ty Wick Memorial – Kelly Williquette offered to lead a committee to develop Ty's memorial. Volunteers include: BiJay Adams, Bryan St. Clair, Jeremy Jenkins, Shane Sheppard and Tonilee Hanson. All others who wish to participate are welcome.

Next Meeting February 25, 2021 will be held via Zoom.

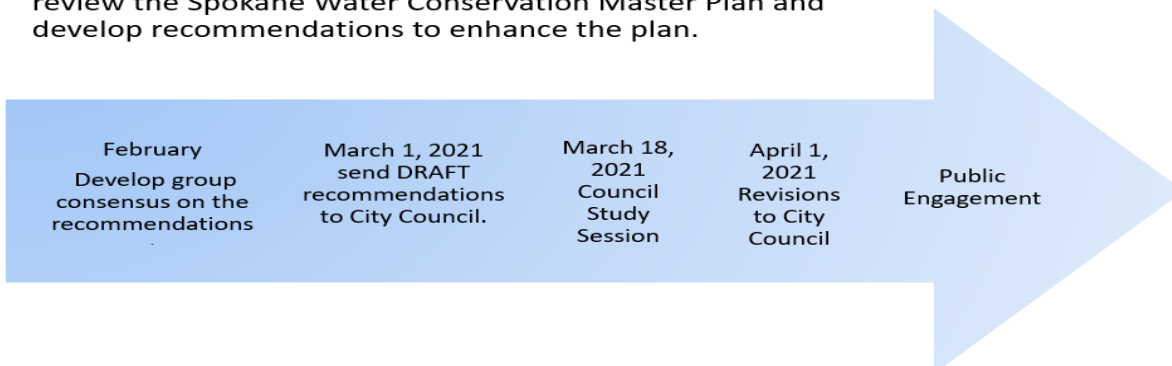
5. WELLHEAD PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION PLAN - Program Manager’s Report

Education & Awareness / Media Campaign - The Media Campaign for Teachers will begin on February 1, 2021. The SAJB Science Fair Extravaganza has new activities being added from WSU Food Sense Program, Whitworth Science Methods and Spokane County Water Resources.

Water Resources Conservation Group – Program Manager Tonilee Hanson has participated, at the request of SAJB Membership, in the Spokane City Council's Water Resources Conservation Group since September 2020. She is participating in the residential working group with a focus on outdoor water use recommendations. A draft timeline for delivering recommendations to the City Council to enhance the existing Water Department Water Conservation Master Plan is shown below. Tim Murrell


Timeline

September 2020-January 2021 - Two meetings per month to review the Spokane Water Conservation Master Plan and develop recommendations to enhance the plan.



applauded Tonilee's efforts at voicing available SAJB and IWAC resources that could assist the Group in enhancing outdoor water conservation efforts.

HHW – The Spokane Kootenai Waste & Recycle Directory was relaunched in November 2020 with the addition of 225 Recyclable items. Use of the Directory has increased every year since it was first launched in 2015. From 2019 to 2020 users increased by 53.4%.



1/1-12/31	Sessions	Users	Pageviews
2015	6,697	5,415	30,704
2016	10,279	8,926	33,572
2017	15,008	12,826	41,371
2018	22,739	19,649	58,675
2019	43,562	37,308	95,222
2020	66,262	57,246	135,444
'19 - '20 % increase	52.11%	53.44%	42.24%

6. OPEN FORUM

Rob Lindsay, Spokane County Environmental Services, reported that the Washington State Department of Ecology has officially adopted the WRIA 55 Watershed Plan Update. Rob acknowledged Reanette Boese and Stan Miller for their work on the original plan. Rob acknowledged the coordination efforts of Mike Hermanson and WRIA 55 participating members, like Tim Murrell and Dan Kegley who assisted in the Plan Update. For more information visit [Spokane County WRIA 55 Update Page](#).

Henry Allen, City of Spokane Valley, shared that he is working with Dan Kegley on IWAC's social media presence. Henry requested permission to post sections of the Aquifer Atlas. Jeremy Jenkins and Reanette Boese, who worked on the Aquifer Atlas said that sharing the Atlas pages was fine as long as the Atlas was referenced because it listed permissions for use of photos. Tonilee suggested that the social media posts include a link to the [online Aquifer Atlas](#).

Bryan St. Clair, Modern Electric Water Company, reported that sampling water for PFOS was in the rule writing process. He estimated that PFOS sampling could be a financial burden for the smaller water districts. Bryan wondered if SAJB might have a role in sampling. Discussion followed. Sheri Miller, DOH, shared that the rule has not been officially launched and the federal government recently put a hold on all rule writing. This will be an important topic to continue tracking.

7. ADJOURN

There being no further business this 28th day of January 2021, President Jenkins adjourned the meeting at 3:24 PM.

President, Jeremy Jenkins

Vice President, Shane Sheppard