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Executive Director
Zach D. Taylor

AGENDA

GARBER-WELLINGTON ASSOCIATION POLICY COMMITTEE

August 10, 2006 (Thursday) 2:30 P.M.

(or immediately following the ACOG Board of Director's Meeting)

ACOG CONFERENCE ROOM
21 EAST MAIN, SUITE 100, OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

- I. CALL TO ORDER - Roll Call
- II. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES ([Attachment III](#))

Action Requested: Motion to approve minutes of the May 25, 2006 meeting.

IV. STAFF REPORT

1. **The North Canadian TMDL** – A major local government concern has developed over the ODEQ proposals to limit pathogen loads in rivers and streams. The bulk of the liability for cleanup at present appears to be stormwater permit holders. The second public meeting at ODEQ is September 12, and all ACOG members are encouraged to write to ODEQ to voice their concerns on this matter.

Action Requested: None, for information only.

2. **A Geophysical Survey of the El Reno Well Field** - ACOG staff purchased an earth imaging device to detect locations suitable for drilling water wells in alluvial aquifers. Staff will review the encouraging first applications of this new device.

Action Requested: None, for information only.

3. **Drought Update** – A quick review of the drought status in Oklahoma.

Action Requested: None, for information only.

- V. PROGRESS REPORT ([Attachment V](#))
- VI. NEW BUSINESS
- VII. ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES

GARBER-WELLINGTON ASSOCIATION
POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

May 25, 2006

The fifth regularly scheduled meeting of the Garber-Wellington Association Policy Committee for the calendar year 2006 was convened on May 25, 2006 in the Association of Central Oklahoma Governments (ACOG) Board Room, 21 E. Main Street, Suite 100, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The meeting was held as indicated by advance notice filed with the Oklahoma County Clerk and by notice posted at the ACOG offices at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting.

PRESIDINGCITY/AGENCY

Hon. John Brown, Councilmember

City of Piedmont

POLICY COMMITTEE PRESENT

Hon. Grant Hedrick, Commissioner

Canadian County

Hon. Ken Bartlett, Councilmember

City of Del City

Hon. Saundra Gragg Naifeh, Mayor

City of Edmond

Hon. Jon Gumerson, Mayor

City of Guthrie

Hon. Ray Poland, Councilmember

City of Jones City

Hon. Mark Sharpton, Commissioner

Logan County

Hon. Margaret Graham, Councilmember

City of Luther

Hon. Charles Joyner, Councilmember

City of Midwest City

Hon. Kathy McMillan, Councilmember

City of Moore

Hon. Keith Bryan, Councilmember

City of Mustang

Hon. Kathy Walker, Councilmember

City of Nichols Hills

Hon. David Hopper, Councilmember

City of Norman

Hon. Willa Johnson, Councilmember

City of Oklahoma City

Hon. Brent Rinehart, Commissioner

Oklahoma County

Hon. Mike Fina, Councilmember

City of Piedmont

GUESTS

Bill Knox, Special Projects Officer

City of Harrah

Mary Murphey, Administrative Assistant

Logan County Commissioner's Office

ACOG STAFF PRESENT

POSITION

Zach D. Taylor	Executive Director
John M. Harrington	Division Director, Water Resources
Jane Sutter	Division Director, IGS
Debbie Cook	Director of Finance and Budget
Doug Rex	Assistant to the Executive Director
Don Bown	Consultant
John G. Johnson	Legal Consultant
Jerry Church	Communications Programs Coordinator, IGS
Ellen Owens	Division Secretary, Water Resources

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman John Brown called the meeting to order at 2:40 p.m., noting that a quorum was present.

II. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The aforementioned guests were present at the meeting.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Director Sharpton made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 30 and April 27, 2006 meetings. Director Bryan seconded the motion and the motion carried with the following vote:

AYE: Brown, Hedrick, Bartlett, Naifeh, Gumerson, Poland, Sharpton, Graham, Joyner, McMillan, Bryan, Walker, Hopper, Johnson, and Rinehart.

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

IV. ELECTION OF GARBER-WELLINGTON ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

Director Brown said the Nominations Committee met and made the following recommendations related to the election of Garber-Wellington officers: John Brown, Piedmont Councilmember for Chairperson, Jim Pumphrey, Nicoma Park Councilmember for Vice-Chairperson, and Marsha Jefferson, Mayor of Spencer for Secretary-Treasurer. Director Sharpton made a motion to approve the recommendations of the Nominations Committee

for the offices of Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and Secretary-Treasurer. The motion was seconded by Director Bryan and carried with the following vote:

AYE: Brown, Hedrick, Bartlett, Naifeh, Gumerson, Poland, Sharpton, Graham, Joyner, McMillan, Bryan, Walker, Hopper, Johnson, and Rinehart.

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

V. STAFF REPORT

A. Drought Update – John Harrington briefly updated the drought situation in central Oklahoma. He commented that the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) is now predicting a wet June and July. He said that the region has gone through the second driest on record, with the spring at 68% normal. He indicated that the southeastern portion of Oklahoma has gotten some rain and that Lake Atoka is at 62% of normal capacity. He also said that eastern Oklahoma is dry to moderate and western Oklahoma is dry.

B. A Geophysical Survey of the El Reno Well Field – Mr. Harrington informed the Committee that an earth imaging device had been purchased in order to detect locations suitable for drilling water wells in alluvial aquifers. He said that he will be reviewing the encouraging first applications of this new device at the next meeting.

VI. PROGRESS REPORT

There was no discussion of the Progress Report.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

No new business was discussed at the meeting.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Director Joyner made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Director Naifeh seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Garber-Wellington Policy Committee
FROM: John M. Harrington, Division Director, Water Resources
DATE: August 3, 2006
RE: Progress Report

Staff attended the Municipal Stormwater Conference in San Antonio. A number of member cities also participated, and much discussion centered on pathogen TMDLs and the ODEQ proposals for cleanup. An emergency meeting at OML was convened July 6 to discuss the matter with ODEQ, resulting in the open meeting process to be redone on September 12.

Staff has received comments on the Cottonwood Creek pathogen model and the Deep Fork pathogen model. The report is undergoing much review and refinement of the model is ongoing, especially in light of the present pathogen TMDL issues.

Staff is currently doing field work in the El Reno well field, testing out the earth imaging machine and evaluating the lease. Preliminary results from the new machine are quite encouraging.

Staff is participating in preparing a Stream Restoration Conference with INCOG, OSU, and the Office of the Secretary of Environment. Tentative date is in November, with the conference site at the Reed Conference Center in Midwest City. Crutch Creek will be a focus during the conference.

Staff has been invited by the Oklahoma Corporation Commission to review the OCC Brownfields goals and objectives.