



*association of central oklahoma governments
Garber-Wellington Association*

Chair Jim Pumphrey
Nicoma Park Mayor

Vice-Chair Russell Smith
Midwest City Mayor

Secretary/Treasurer John Brown
Piedmont Councilmember

Executive Director
John G. Johnson

AGENDA

**GARBER-WELLINGTON ASSOCIATION
POLICY COMMITTEE
December 18, 2008 (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 November 20, 2008 meeting.

- IV. STAFF REPORT

A. 2009 604(b) Funded ACOG Projects

The new year will be coming soon, and so will two new projects under the 604(b) workplan. Staff will discuss the El Reno resistivity project and the Nichols Hills wellhead protection model.

Action Requested: None, for information only.

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

MINUTES

GARBER-WELLINGTON ASSOCIATION
POLICY COMMITTEE

November 20, 2008

The eighth regularly scheduled meeting of the Garber-Wellington Policy Committee for the calendar year 2008 was convened on November 20, 2008 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.

PRESIDING

Hon. Keith Bryan, Councilmember, Acting Chair Mustang

POLICY COMMITTEE PRESENT

Hon. Roger Malone, Councilmember	Choctaw
Hon. Rod Cleveland, Commissioner	Cleveland County
Hon. Ken Bartlett, Councilmember	Del City
Hon. Wayne Page, Councilmember	Edmond
Hon. Marianne Yarbrough, Trustee	Forest Park
Hon. Ray Poland, Councilmember	Jones City
Hon. Mark Sharpton, Commissioner	Logan County
Hon. Kathy McMillan, Councilmember	Moore
Hon. Rachel Butler, Councilmember	Norman
Hon. Pete White, Councilmember (Proxy)	Oklahoma City
Hon. Willa Johnson, Commissioner	Oklahoma County
Hon. Larry Kesler, Councilmember	Union City
Hon. Ward Larson, Mayor	Yukon

GUESTS

Bill Dalke, Community Planner	Tinker Air Force Base
Hon. Brian Routh, Councilmember	Tuttle

ACOG STAFF PRESENT

John G. Johnson	Executive Director
Jane Sutter	Deputy Director
John M. Harrington	Director, Water Resources
Debbie Cook	Director of Finance and Budget
Doug Rex	Director, Transportation Planning & Data Services
Jerry Church	Communications Programs Coordinator, IGS
Ellen Owens	Division Secretary, Water Resources

I. CALL TO ORDER

Director Bryan called the meeting to order at 2:54 p.m., noting that a quorum was present.

II. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The aforementioned guests were at the meeting.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Director Larson made a motion to approve the September 25, 2008 meeting. Director McMillan seconded the motion and the motion carried with the following vote:

AYE: Bryan, Malone, Cleveland, Bartlett, Page, Yarbrough, Poland, Sharpton, McMillan, Butler, White, Johnson, Kesler, and Larson

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

IV. PROPOSED GWPC MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2009

Director Johnson made a motion to approve the proposed 2009 meeting schedule for the Garber-Welling Policy Committee. Director Butler seconded the motion and the motion carried with the following vote:

AYE: Bryan, Malone, Cleveland, Bartlett, Page, Yarbrough, Poland, Sharpton, McMillan, Butler, White, Johnson, Kesler, and Larson

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

V. STAFF REPORT

Water Issues in Oklahoma: A Statewide Survey of Public Attitudes - Mr. Harrington informed the Committee that OSU, as a part of the state water planning process, did a survey of water attitudes in the state. He gave a presentation on who took the survey, what questions were asked, and how participants responded. He said that mainly older male college educated people took the survey. He indicated that the respondents' environmental attitudes were taken into account and they were also asked what water issues were important to them regarding rivers and lakes, drinking water, groundwater, aquatic habitat, and municipal use.

Mr. Harrington said that the respondents were asked if water treatment was an important issue and they replied that it was very important as is water conservation. He said that improving water quality monitoring ranked very high at 57% of respondents. He said the survey indicated that educating public officials is also important. He indicated that, according to the survey, most people do not think that water quantity is a problem in this state and commented that he finds that troublesome because he suspects there will be water quantity problems in the future.

Mr. Harrington said the survey also covered pollutants affecting water quality, with the survey indicating that 50% of people were unaware of what was happening regarding water quality and the remaining 50% split between those suspecting no problems with water quality, and those suspecting there are problems. He said that most people are not informed enough to know what pollutants are in their water. Mr. Harrington said the survey showed that most people believe that agriculture is the source most responsible for pollutants. Director Page asked if these are responses from the survey or are they fact. Mr. Harrington replied that they were responses from the survey.

Mr. Harrington said that water conservation was also included in the survey and that respondents were asked what they would do to conserve water. He said that people were also asked what their sources of information regarding water were. Most people cited the fact sheets that are included with the water bill, then TV coverage, newspapers, the internet, and volunteer organizations.

VI. PROGRESS REPORT

There was no discussion of the Progress Report at the meeting.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Harrington informed the Committee of the kickoff meeting of the Canadian River Wasteload Project that took place earlier in the day. He said preliminary sampling will begin on December 8.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Director Poland made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Director McMillan seconded the motion, and the meeting adjourned at 3:18 p.m.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Garber-Wellington Policy Committee
FROM: John M. Harrington, Division Director, Water Resources
DATE: Monday, December 18, 2008
SUBJECT: Progress Report

06604(b) - Modeling Assessment of Nichols Hills Well Field

QAPP has been resubmitted to EPA for final review.

07604(b) 3 - El Reno Wellfield Resistivity Survey

Submitted QAPP, as well as SOP's for resistivity procedures and groundwater modeling. Still under review at EPA Region VI/

079007 - Canadian River DO Model

Staff and consultants selecting site locations for preliminary study.

089003 - ODOT Edmond Site 13N02W08

Completed first phase of geophysical data acquisition. The Oklahoma Corporation Commission may be the lead agency in the next phase, which will be acquisition of geochemical data. Reviewing Commission geophysical data.

Staff attended the IPEC conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico where a presentation of the ODOT site geophysics was made. Staff also attended a climate seminar in Weatherford, OK.