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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
November 20, 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 September 25, 2008 meeting.

IV. PROPOSED GWPC MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2009 ([Attachment IV](#))

Action Requested: Motion to approve the proposed 2009 meeting schedule for GWPC.

V. STAFF REPORT

A. Water Issues in Oklahoma: A Statewide Survey of Public Attitudes

Dr. Damian Adams at OSU recently conducted a survey in the state of public attitudes towards water resource issues. A short review of the study discussed at the Governor's Water Conference will be presented.

Action Requested: None, for information only.

VI. PROGRESS REPORT ([Attachment VI](#))

VII. NEW BUSINESS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

ACOG STAFF PRESENT

Jane Sutter	Deputy Director
John M. Harrington	Division Director, Water Resources
Don Bown	Counsel
Debbie Cook	Director of Finance and Budget
Doug Rex	Director, Transportation Planning & Data Services
Ellen Owens	Division Secretary, Water Resources

I. CALL TO ORDER

Director Pumphrey called the meeting to order at 2:45 p.m., noting that a quorum was present.

II. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

There were no guests at the meeting.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Director Brown made a motion to approve of the August 14, 2008 meeting. Director Larson seconded the motion and the motion carried with the following vote:

AYE: Pumphrey, Hedrick, O'Neil, Yarbrough, Lisby, Poland, Sharpton, Smith, McMillan, Hoffman, Butler, Bowman, W. Johnson, Brown, Cleveland, Kesler, D. Johnson, and Larson

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

IV. STAFF REPORT

Guilt Association, Part 2 – Mr. Harrington spoke about field work he has done at the ODOT storage yard. He displayed a map of the area concerned which showed the storage buildings. He said he feels this is relevant due to the fact a large number of municipalities and counties have a yard just like this. He said that in 1994 three households successfully sued ODOT for saltwater contamination of their water wells. He said about two years ago, someone reported salt water in their well. He indicated this person had 3,000 ppm of chloride in his water in April of this year. Mr. Harrington commented that this raises several questions such as whether the chloride plume is spreading, is the ODOT facility leaking again, and which way the groundwater is flowing. He indicated he did this study to try to eliminate ODOT as the culprit and, in doing so, also eliminate ODEQ. If there is no pollution at the ODOT site, then it is strictly a Corporation Commission issue.

Mr. Harrington called attention to the area on the map which showed the salt washing out of the shed and flowing northwest, according to topographic contours. Mr. Brown asked if the salt was at the surface and Mr. Harrington replied in the affirmative, pointing out that the shed has no door. He also said that the salt does not affect anything beyond 80 feet. Mr. Harrington said he feels there is a pipeline break that is causing leaking to the south and the north.

Director Hoffman asked how much spillage is needed in order for it to contaminate and how long must it go on. Mr. Harrington said that depends on the pipeline capacity and the flow, but it might be millions of gallons. Director Brown asked where the pipeline comes from and where does it go to. Mr. Harrington replied that the Corporate Commission has no records on that since the timeframe goes back to 1941.

Mr. Harrington said the study on this issue is about half way through and is still being worked on. He said the geophysics has detected the presence of saline water; the salt shed is leaking; the groundwater flows to the northwest, and some of that is from old oil and gas operations; contamination from the old pipeline may extend up to 1,000 feet from the pipeline.

Canadian River Project – Mr. Harrington said all the signed contracts for this project have been received and we are ready to proceed.

V. PROGRESS REPORT

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

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Harrington mentioned that the Governor's Water Conference will be taking place October 28-30. He encouraged everyone to attend if possible.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Director O'Neil made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Director Poland seconded the motion, and the meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 13, 2008

TO: Garber-Wellington Policy Committee

FROM: John M. Harrington, Division Director, Water Resources

SUBJECT: Proposed Garber-Wellington Policy Committee Meeting Schedule for 2009

INFORMATION:

Below is the Garber-Wellington Policy Committee meeting schedule for Calendar Year 2009:

January 29, 2009
February 26, 2009
March 26, 200
April 30, 2009
May 28, 2009
June 25, 2009
NO JULY MEETING
August 13, 2009
September 24, 2009
October 29, 2009
November 19, 2009
December 17, 2009

Proposed meeting time for the GWPC is 2:30 p.m., or immediately following the ACOG Board of Directors meeting. Meetings will be held in the ACOG Conference Room.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Motion to approve the proposed 2009 meeting schedule for GWPC.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Garber-Wellington Policy Committee
FROM: John M. Harrington, Division Director, Water Resources
DATE: November 20, 2008
SUBJECT: Progress Report

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

QAPP has been submitted to EPA, received first review.

070001 - State Water Plan

Staff attended the Oklahoma Regional Input Meeting, The six-hour meeting was well attended by about sixty water professionals and interested public. The results of this meeting will be posted online at <http://environ.okstate.edu/owrri/waterplan/index.asp>.

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

Final contracts signed by ACOG and Guernsey. Kickoff meeting will commence shortly. ACOG is supplying Guernsey with dissolved oxygen model on Canadian River.

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.

Staff also attended the Governor's Water Conference and the OWRRI Water Research Symposium. Staff will be attending the IPEC conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico where a presentation of the ODOT site geophysics will be made.