



**Executive Committee
The Centre at Elgin
(East Conference Room)
100 Symphony Way, Elgin**

January 12, 2017

Meeting Minutes

Present: Mayor David Kaptain, City of Elgin; Mayor Gail Johnson, Village of Oswego; Colin Duesing, Will County; Mayor Dale Berman, Village of North Aurora; Janet Agnoletti, BACOG; Mayor Paula McCombie, Village of South Barrington; Jodie Wollnik, Kane County Water Resources; Walt Kelly, ISWS; Daniel Abramson, ISWS; Deborah Allen, Kane County Board Member; Misty Haji-Sheikh, DeKalb County; Terry Counley, Village of McCullom Lake; Pete Wallers NWPA TAC and Angie Smith, EEI.

Mayor Kaptain called the meeting to order at 10:18 A.M.

Welcome, Roll Call and Introductions: Mayor Kaptain (Elgin) welcomed everyone to the meeting. Introductions and a brief background was given by those present.

Agenda Changes and Announcements: Mayor Kaptain (Elgin) noted that the minutes and financial reports were not ready for distribution and will be reviewed and approved at the March meeting.

Approval of November Meeting Minutes: Minutes were not ready for distribution and will be reviewed and approved at the March meeting.

Approval of November and December 2016 Financial Reports: Financials were not ready for distribution and will be reviewed and approved at the March meeting.

Presentation: *Desaturation of Sandstone Aquifers in Northeastern Illinois*, by Dr. Daniel Abrams, ISWS: Daniel's presentation illustrated to the committee the concern with future water supply and desaturating the deep sandstone. The sandstone aquifers are the primary water supply for many communities in northern Will and Kendall Counties, but withdrawals are unsustainable. The sandstone aquifers will no longer meet total water demands for these areas within the next 15-25 years. Alternative supplies will be necessary. For the rest of the NWPA region, the sandstone aquifer will continue to be important as a source of water, either as a primary or secondary source. The long term viability of the sandstone must continue to be evaluated throughout the NWPA region.



Various Updates:

Report on Technical Advisory Committee: Pete (MWCOG) reported on the SB550 – Lead and Water Bill which just passed the House and the Senate. Requires testing in school’s Pre-K through grade 5. The schools will be paying for the mandatory testing. Pete gave a brief description of how lead gets into the drinking water. Water supplied by the water suppliers is lead free. The other element that is required in the bill is that it requires water utilities to inventory their lead service lines and report them to the IEPA. There’s also a provision that anytime the water utility is repairing and/or replacing water main they must notify the surrounding customers so that they can flush out their system prior to using their water. Also, the federal government is getting ready to re-issue the lead and copper rule as well and it will likely require the replacement of the lead service lines.

Pete also stated that the NWPA nominated Tom Weisner for the APWA Commendation of Exemplary Service to Public Works. He did win the award. We will set up a time to present the award to him at an upcoming event.

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Other Business: Mayor Kaptain stated that Carolyn Schofield did not get re-elected. Mary will contact all of the County Board members to see who would be interested in fulfilling this role.

The next meeting will be held on March 9, 2017 at the Centre at Elgin.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:47 AM.

Submitted by _____ Angie Smith, EEI