
ILLINOIS WATER AUTHORITY ASSOCIATION

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NEWSLETTER



November 2016

QUARTERLY BOARD & MEMBER MEETING SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER 1, 2016

The Association's Quarterly Board Meeting is scheduled for December 1, 2016 at Avanti's Restaurant in Bloomington, Illinois. Dinner cost will be paid by the Association. Attorneys and members of all water authorities are also invited. The agenda

for the evening is printed on page (5). Please note that there **will not be** an Executive Committee Meeting. We will eat at 6:00 p.m. and the business meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Quarterly Meeting Minutes

September 1, 2016

Baxters American Grille - Bloomington, Illinois

Call to Order: Chairman Susan Adams called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Susan J. Adams and Tom Cross, Northern Logan County; Jeff Smith and Donald Osborn, Imperial Valley; Jerry Elliott and Jeff Babich, Sugar Grove; Gary Williams, Allin Township; Mike Funk, Mt. Hope/Funks Grove; Jim Todd, Menard County; Keith Walker, Makinaw Valley; L. Dean Hudson, South Ross; Robert Lieb, Mahomet Valley; Melvin G. Pleines, Mahomet Aquifer Consortium; Mark McGrath, Attorney; George Roadcap, IL State Water Survey; Dorland W. Smith, Executive Secetery; and guests, Sue Lockbaum, Marilyn Smith, Ann Williams, Donna Pleines and Felisia Osborn. All in attendance introduced themselves.

Minutes of March 3rd and June 2nd meetings: Motion to accept March 3rd minutes was made by Bob Leib and seconded by Tom Cross. Motion to accept June 2nd minutes was made by Jeff Smith and seconded by Keith Walker. Both motions carried.

Treasurer's Report: Dorland Smith presented the Treasurer's report. The balance as of August 31, 2016 was \$30,714.93. Motion to accept the report made by Jim Todd and seconded by Jerry Elliot. Motion carried.

Presentation: A presentation was given by George Roadcap of Illinois State Survey. He presented an animated aquifer model concerning drawdown and flow of water in the Mahomet Aquifer mainly in the Champaign and Urbana area. It showed the hydraulic behavior of the Mahomet Aquifer including what is called the Cone of Depression.

Appoint Nominating Committee: A motion was made by Bob Leib and seconded by Dean Hudson to approve Jeff Smith, Keith Walker, and Mark Gillis for the nominating committee. Motion passed.

MAC Update & Regional Water Supply Planning Committee: All spending of the state government is suspended due to budget impasse. The committee will meet on September 9th to review other activities we can do on a very limited budget. The committee had \$83,870.44 remaining from a state grant, but were told to stop any spending of that remaining money more than a year ago and have recently been instructed to return the total remaining amount to the state. MAC is still looking for outside sources of funding. Any updates for RWSPC can be found at website: www.RWSPC.org. Susan Adams gave a report of the East Central Illinois Water Stakeholders' conference presented by MAC and RWSPC at Springfield July 15' 2016. About 50 people registered for the conference. Topics covered were private well assessment, mapping water resources with electromagnetics, and animation of the Mahomet Aquifer based on data collection from monitoring wells and nutrient loss reduction strategy.

Legislative Review and 99th General Assembly: Dorland Smith reported concerning Water Authorities; HB4371 concerns amending the Water Authority Act. This bill amends the Water Authority Act. Provides that a Water Authority may be dissolved upon referendum of the electors of the Water Authority. Provides that the business affairs of the Water Authority shall be closed after approval of a referendum dissolving the Water Authority and for the disposition of property following dissolution. Further, provides that any money remaining shall be paid to school treasurer of school district or districts in which the Water Authority was situated. Effective immediately. Amendment 1 to this bill: excluding the city of Chicago, changes the number of electors to dissolve a Water Authority required from 100 to 500, changes from 2 yrs. To 4 yrs. how often a petition may be filed to dissolve a water district, provides that bonds issued or contracts entered into by an Authority shall be fulfilled or repaid as required under the terms of the bonds or contracts (rather than just discharged); and that any money remaining after the dissolution of a Water Authority shall be transferred to the county (rather than the school treasurer of a school district). Amendment 2 provides that moneys remaining after the business affairs of the Authority have closed up shall be paid proportionately to the township or townships in which the Water Authority is situated (in the introduced bill paid to the counties). As of 5-19-2016 this passed both houses. The Governor signed the bill against the desire of the Water Authorities. There is no budget as of yet from the General Assembly.

Consideration of Bills for payment: Susan Adams (\$419.70), Dorland W. Smith (\$1,677.86), Mel Pleines (\$1,095.30) and Baxter's American Grill (\$616.09). Motion was made by Jeff Smith to pay the bills and seconded by Mike Funk. Motion passed.

Other Business: Jerry Elliot gave a report about Hydrogeological Monitoring of Sugar Grove Township wells. He emphasized the need to monitor water levels in Sugar Grove Township. He pointed to local property owner's dependence on the personal wells. Toward a positive point, Jerry talked about the economic favorability provided to the community. We would be provided data and geophysical analysis to show potential economic development interests that Sugar Grove Township has a sound supply of good quality water of which is being monitored now and into the future. Jerry's reports can be found on website: sugargrovetownship.com.

Next Meeting: Motion was made by Gary Williams and seconded by Dean Hudson to have the December 1, 2016 meeting at Avanti's in Bloomington at 6:00 p.m. Motion passed.

Adjournment: Motion made by Don Osborn and seconded by Bob Lieb. Motion Passed. Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted By,

Gary Williams, Secretary

FUTURE MEETING DATES

Date	Meeting Place	Administrative Items	
February 2, 2017	Hampton Inn, Lincoln, IL	*	Executive Board Meeting
March 2, 2017	TBA	*	Member Annual Meeting
		*	Prepare for Annual Financial Review
June 1, 2017	TBA	*	Present Annual Review
September 7, 2017	TBA	*	Appoint Nominating Committee
December 7, 2017	TBA	*	Election of Chairman, Treas & Exec Com Approve 2018 Budget

NOTE:

Check out this website for info on Illinois Water 2016 Conference and previous conferences; www.ilwaterconference.org



SUGAR GROVE - Donald C. Pfeffer passed away suddenly on Sunday, October 23rd in his home at the age of 72. Donald and his wife Carol Pfeffer were originally from Wisconsin and moved to Sugar Grove in 1969. Donald spent his career as a computer programmer for Bell Labs, AT&T and then Lucent Technologies through his retirement at age 55. During his retirement, he spent a lot of time at the family property in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin where he loved fishing, boating and enjoyed bonfires with his friends and family. Donald served his country in the U.S. Air Force. Donald is survived by his wife of 54 years, Carol and his four daughters, Nicole (Patrick) Butler, Donielle (Michael) Treve, Sheila (Terry) Buck and Katrina (Scott) Hampton. Don also has eight grandchildren and four remaining siblings, Tina Pfeffer, Judith McKeon, Susan Schrader and Tom Pfeffer. Preceded in death by his parents Elinore Freund Pfeffer and Dr. Elmer Pfeffer and his brothers Dave, John, and Gary Pfeffer. There will be private services for Donald at Lake Winnebago in Wisconsin in his honor. This was Donald's favorite place where he enjoyed watching the waves, sunsets and wildlife. Donations in his honor can be made to the [American Heart Association](#). Arrangements by The Healy Chapel, 370 Division Dr., Sugar Grove, IL 60554. For further information please call 630-466-1330 or visit www.healychapel.com to leave an online condolence.

FINANCIAL REPORT
As of October 31, 2016

Balance as of July 31, 2016 ----- \$26,776.67

Receipts

Interest earned (Aug, Sep & Oct) -----	\$ 9.32
2016 Dues (Imperial Valley) -----	2,000.00
2016 Dues (Sugar Grove) -----	2,000.00
2016 Dues (Allin Township) -----	2,000.00
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Total Receipts -----	\$ 6,009.32

Total Cash Available ----- \$32,785.99

Disbursements

Susan Adams (3rd Quarter Hours) -----	\$ 297.84
Susan Adams (3rd Quarter Expenses) -----	97.20
U of I (IL Water 2016 Sponsor)-----	500.00
Mel Pleines (3rd Quarter Expense) -----	375.30
Mel Pleines (3rd Qtr Hours) -----	664.92
Dorland W. Smith (3rd Quarter Expense) -----	642.86
Dorland W. Smith (3rd Qtr Hours) -----	955.82
Baxters American Grille(Meeting Expense)-----	616.09
Auto Owners (Insurance) -----	68.00
Creative Resources (3rd Qtr Legislative Review)-	425.00
Hampton Inn (Exec meeting Expense) -----	65.00
US Treasury (3rd Qtr FICA & Medicare Tax) -----	317.84
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Total Disbursements -----	\$ 5,025.87

Balance as of July 31, 2015 ----- \$27,760.12

Checking Account -----	\$13,552.50
Market Star Account -----	4,032.58
Cert. Of Deposit -----	10,175.04
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Total -----	\$27,760.12

/s/ Dorland W. Smith
Executive Secretary

ILLINOIS WATER AUTHORITY ASSOCIATION
AVANTI'S RESTAURANT
3302 EAST EMPIRE ST, BLOOMINGTON, IL
AGENDA FOR DECEMBER 1, 2016 QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING

Present Membership

* ALLIN TOWNSHIP WATER	* MT HOPE/FUNKS GROVE WATER
* DANVERS TOWNSHIP WATER AUTH.	* NORTHERN LOGAN CO. WATER AUTH.
* IMPERIAL VALLEY WATER AUTH.	* RUSSELL ALLISON WATER AUTH.
* MACKINAW VALLEY WATER AUTH.	* SOUTH ROSS TOWNSHIP WATER AUTH.
* MAHOMET VALLEY WATER AUTH.	* SUGAR GROVE WATER AUTH.
* MENARD COUNTY WATER AUTH.	

Present Leadership

SUSAN J. ADAMS – Chairman	MIKE FUNK – Vice Chairman
GARY WILLIAMS – Secretary	DONALD OSBORN, JR. – Treasurer
ROBERT LIEB – Exec. Comm.	
DORLAND W. SMITH – Exec. Sec.	MARK J. McGRATH, Attorney

REGISTRATION - -----5:30 P.M. TO 6:00 P.M.

DINNER -----6:00 P.M. TO 7:00 P.M.

BUSINESS MEETING -----7:00 P.M. TO 8:00 P.M.

Call to Order – Susan J. Adams, Chairman

Roll Call – Attendance Sheet

Minutes of September 1st – Gary Williams

Treasurer's Report – Donald Osborn, Jr. & Dorland W. Smith

Presentation – Allen Werhmann, INTERA - "Increasing Positive Public Perception for Illinois Water Authorities"

Report of the Nominating Committee – Jeff Smith, Chairman

Election of Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary – Susan Adams

Consider 2017 Budget as recommended by the Executive Committee – D W Smith

Legislative Review & 99th General Assembly – D. W. Smith

Mahomet Aquifer Consortium Update – D. W. Smith

RWSPC Update - S. J. Adams

Consider Bills for Payment – Adams, Smith, McGrath & others

Other Business

Next Meeting – March 2, 2017, 6:00 p.m. Location – T. B. A.

Adjourn

Trustees of the above listed member water authorities may be in attendance at this meeting