
ILLINOIS WATER AUTHORITY ASSOCIATION

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NEWSLETTER



February 2017

QUARTERLY BOARD & MEMBER MEETING SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 2, 2017 AT 5:00 P.M.

The Association's Quarterly Board & Annual Meeting is scheduled for March 2, 2017 at Avanti's, Bloomington, IL. Dinner cost will be paid by the Association. Attorneys and Trustees of all member water authorities are also invited.

The agenda for the evening is printed on page four (4). **We will order and eat at 5:00 p.m.** and the business meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m.

Note: New Time to Meet!!!!

ILLINOIS WATER AUTHORITY ASSOCIATION QUARTERLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES December 1, 2016 -Avanti's Italian Restaurant - Bloomington, Illinois

Call to Order: Chairman Susan Adams called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m

Roll Call: Tom Cross, Northern Logan County; Jeff Smith and Donald Osborn, Imperial Valley; James Todd, Menard County; Kyle Finley and L. Dean Hudson, South Ross Township; Robert Lieb, Mahomet Valley; Dan Nagel, Jerry Elliott and Jeff Babich, Sugar Grove Township; Gary Williams, Allin Township; Mike Funk, Mt. Hope/Funks Grove; Mark McGrath, Attorney; Susan Adams, Chairman; Dorland W. Smith, Executive Secretary; Melvin G. Pleines, MAC Chairman and guests Sue Lockbaum, Marilyn Smith, Donna Pleines, Felica Osborn and Ann Williams All in attendance introduced themselves.

Minutes of September 1st meeting: Motion to accept minutes was made by Tom Cross and seconded by Jerry Elliott. Motions carried.

Recognition of two IWAA Board members : Don Pfeffer, Chairman of Sugar Grove, who passed away since the September meeting and Morris Bell, former Vice Chairman whose wife Doris recently passed away. Jeff Smith motioned and Jim Todd seconded the motion to recognize Morris Bell for his initiative in helping to form and his long-time service to the IWAA; and to Don Pfeffer for his dedication to the IWAA. Motion passed. IWAA made a contribution to the American Heart Association in Don's honor. A sympathy card was passed for all members to sign and send to Morris Bell in sympathy of Doris' passing.

Treasurer's Report: Dorland Smith presented the Treasurer's report. The balance as of October 31, 2016 was \$27,760.12. Motion to accept the report made by Mike Funk and seconded by Dean Hudson. Motion carried.

Presentation: Dorland handed out copies of The Strategic Plan for the Imperial Valley Water Authority. He also handed out a report of the irrigation wells water usage between the years 2006 and 2016.

Report of the Nominating Committee: Jeff Smith reported that they have nominees for Vice-president (Mike

Funk) and for secretary (Gary Williams). As of yet no nominee for Chairman. A motion was made by Jeff Smith to change the bylaws and recommend to the Executive Board that someone not on a Water Authority, not a Trustee, could hold a leadership position. Dan Nagel seconded the motion. The motion carried. This change allows Susan Adams to be nominated for the Chairman position. A motion was made by Jeff Smith and seconded by Dan Nagel to have a unanimous ballot for the election of these officers. Motion passed.

Consider 2017 Budget as recommended by the Executive Committee: Dorland passed out to the members a budget proposal for 2017. Little change from the previous year. Motion by Jerry Elliott and seconded by Dan Nagel to approve the proposed budget.

MAC Update & Regional Water Supply Planning Committee: Dorland gave a brief history of MAC. MAC is seeking funding from businesses, entities and municipalities to support activities of the RWSPC. The MAC has recently had their 501-c-3 status reinstated. It was reinstated retroactive to when it was revoked. Jeff Smith made a motion and seconded by Mike Funk to grant \$500.00 to MAC from the IWAA. Motion carried. RWSPC: The committee met in September to review our status and activity. In 2014 the committee was told to stop spending the grant money we received from the state of Illinois. A few months ago we were told to return the money the state had given us, a little over \$82,000. These monies were being used for education and outreach. Our current funding comes from the Mahomet Aquifer Consortium and that is a little over \$6,000.00. A PDF presentation on "A Plan to Improve the Planning and Management of Water Supplies in East Central Illinois: 2015 Update is available to be shown by members of the RWSP committee to groups that are interested.

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.. 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 (\$375.15), Dorland Smith (\$1,583.39), Mel Pleines (\$753.12), Mark McGrath (\$1,209.78), and Avanti's (\$298.00). Motion was made by Tom Cross to pay the bills and seconded by Don Osborn. Motion passed.

Other Business: Susan Adams passed out a hand-out concerning Illinois Water 2016 Conference. The website is: <http://www.ilwaterconference.org/about.html>. Mark McGrath informed the members about the Comptroller's Report needing to be filed and approved. There is a new travel expense law for Government entities. (House Bill 4379) You must report travel expenses.

Next Meeting: Motion was made by Jim Todd and seconded by Jeff Babich to have the March 2, 2017 meeting at Avanti's in Bloomington at 6:00 p.m. Motion passed.

Adjournment: Motion made by Tom Cross and seconded by Jerry Elliott. Motion Passed.

Respectfully submitted by
Gary Williams, Secretary

FUTURE MEETING DATES & EVENTS

Date	Meeting Place	Administrative Items
March 30, 2017	State Capital, Springfield	* IL Agriculture Legislative Day
May 4, 2017	Hampton Inn, Lincoln, IL	* Executive Committee Meeting
June 1 2017	TBA	* Present Annual Review
September 7, 2017	TBA	* Appoint Nominating Committee

December 7, 2017	TBA	* Elect Chairman, Treas. & Exec Comm
		* Discuss and Approve 2018 Budget

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

As of December 31 2016

Balance as of December 31, 2015-----\$23,162.86

Receipts

Dues for 2016 (10 of 11 - Water Authorities) -----	\$20,000.00
Interest from Checking and Market Star Accounts -----	27.08
Interest from CD -----	106.66
Auto Owners Refund -----	635.00

Total Receipts ----- \$20,768.74

Total Cash Available ----- \$43,931.60

Disbursements

Creative Resources (Legislative Research) -----	\$1,700.00
Mel Pleines (Hours & Expense) -----	2,219.05
Dorland W. Smith (Hours & Expense) -----	5,623.80
Susan J. Adams (Hours & Expense) -----	1,570.43
McGrath Law Office (Legal Expense & Reyainer) -----	3,343.54
Hampton Inn (Meeting Expense) -----	250.00
Bernardi's II (Meeting Expense) -----	230.00
Avanti's (Meeting Expense) -----	483.00
Mahomet Aquifer Consortium (Stakeholders Conference) ---	100.00
IL Ag Products Promotional Fund -----	250.00
USPS PO Box Rent -----	88.00
IALD Treas (IL Ag Legislative Day Sponsorship) -----	150.00
Auto Owners Ins (Workers Comp & Auto Liability) -----	2,960.86
US Treasury (IWAA share of FICA & Medicare) -----	999.43
Baxters Ammerican Grille (Meeting Expense)-----	616.09
U of I (Sponsor IL Water 2016 Conf) -----	500.00
Visa (Pens for IL Water Conf & Memorial) -----	318.10
Havana National Bank (Checks) -----	20.75

Total Disbursements -----21,423.05

Balance as of December 31, 2016 ----- **\$22,508.55**

Checking Account-----	\$8,193.23
Market Star Account-----	\$4,033.62 Cert
of Deposit-----	\$10,281.70

Is! Dorland W. Smith
Administrator

Total Funds Available ----- \$22,508.55

ILLINOIS WATER AUTHORITY ASSOCIATION
AVANTI'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT
3302 East Empire St., Bloomington
AGENDA FOR MARCH 2, 2017 QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING

Present Membership

* ALLIN TOWNSHIP WATER AUTH.

* MT HOPE/FUNKS GROVE WATER AUTH.

* 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

MICHAEL FUNK – Vice Chairman

GARY WILLIAMS – Secretary

DONALD OSBORN, JR. – Treasurer

ROBERT LIEB – Exec. Comm.

DORLAND W. SMITH – Exec. Sec.

MARK J. McGRATH, Attorney

REGISTRATION - -----4:45 P.M. TO 5:00 P.M.

DINNER -----5:00 P.M. TO 6:00 P.M.

BUSINESS MEETING -----6:00 P.M. TO 7:00 P.M.

Call to Order – Susan J. Adams, Chairman

Roll Call – Attendance Sheet

Minutes of December 1, 2016 – Gary Williams

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

Appoint Water Authority to do the Annual Financial Review

Proposed Bylaw Amendment – Dorland W. Smith

Presentation – Allen Wehrmann, INTERA – Websites and Education & Outreach
by Member Water Authorities.

Illinois Agriculture Legislative Day Thursday March 30th – Susan Adams

MAC Update & Regional Water Supply Planning Committee – D. W. Smith & Susan Adams

Legislative Review & 99th and 100th General Assembly – D. W. Smith

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

Other Business

Next Meeting – June 1, 2017, 5:00 p.m. Location – T. B. A.

Adjourn

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

