

Illinois Water Authority Association

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NEWSLETTER



November 2023

Quarterly Board & Member Meeting Scheduled for December 7, 2023

The Association's Quarterly Board Meeting is scheduled for December 7, 2023 at Avanti's Restaurant in Bloomington. Dinner cost will be covered by the Association. Attorneys and members of all water authorities are also invited.

The agenda for the evening is printed on page 4. Dinner begins at 5:00 pm and the business meeting begins at 6:00 pm. **Please return your reservation postcard by November 24.**

Illinois Water Authority Meeting Minutes September 7, 2023

Call to Order: Chairman Susan Adams called the meeting to order at 5:55 p.m.

Roll Call: See attendance sheet.

Approval of Agenda: Approved.

Minutes of June 1, 2023 meeting: A motion was made by Jerry Elliot and seconded by Jeff Babbish to accept the minutes. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report was given by Don Osborn. The balance of the Treasurer's report as of July 31, 2023, was \$64,333.07. A motion was made by Jim Todd and seconded by Jerry Elliot. Motion carried.

Appoint Nominating Committee for Chairman, Treasurer, and Director-at-large: A motion was made by Jeff Smith and seconded by Tom Cross to appoint Mike Funk and Gary Williams for the nominating committee.

Executive Administrator: Mary Auth has indicated an interest in the position and was given a memorandum of what the position entails. A motion was made to take a vote on accepting her application for the position of Executive Administrator by Jim Todd and seconded by Jeff Smith. Motion carried.

Illinois State Fair: Ag Day at the Illinois State Fair due to inclement weather.

MAC Update and Regional Water Supply Planning Committee: The MAC is in the process of applying to IDNR for grant money that is available for 2 years. This money will be used by the RWSPC to update their ongoing work to study water use of the Mahomet Aquifer, including to gather information on irrigation in the central part. The RWSPC had a virtual stake holder meeting July 21, 2023. They discussed water use in the 12 counties in the Mahomet Aquifer. Mike Funk gave a report on the presentation about irrigation: including sustainability, what is acceptable to the public, and economic impact to the region. Check out the new MAC Website.

Legislative Review 103rd General Assembly: Susan Adams is receiving updates from Creative Resources and watching for legislation that would affect water authorities or the Water Use Act of 1983. There is a shell bill (HB0259) which is being kept track of.

Consideration of Bills for payment: A motion was made by Jerry Elliot and seconded by Dean Hudson to pay the following bills: Susan Adams (\$425.00), Mike Funk (\$100.00), Mary Auth (\$71.88), Auto Owner's Insurance (\$657.00), and Avanti's (\$289.39). Motion passed.

Other Business: Avanti's will be making a change in their meeting room requirements: they are going to require a 20-person minimum but will allow us to meet here for all of 2023 as we have been. Mark McGrath did a presentation at the September meeting about THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY ACT and how it will affect local water authorities and what must be done to comply.

Next Meeting: Jeff Babbish made a motion to have the next meeting on December 7, 2023 at 5:00 at Avanti's. Motion was seconded by Jeff Smith. Motion passed.

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn at 7:00 pm by Jim Todd and seconded by Tom Cross. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Gary Williams, Secretary

2024 Meeting Dates

February 1	Conference Call	Executive Committee
March 7	Location TBD	Annual Membership Meeting
March/April	Springfield	Illinois Ag Legislative Day
May 2	Conference Call	Executive Committee
June 6	Location TBD	Membership Meeting
August 1	Conference Call	Executive Committee
August 13	Springfield State Fair	Illinois Ag Day
September 5	Location TBD	Membership Meeting
November 7	Conference Call	Executive Committee
December 5	Location TBD	Membership Meeting

Directions to Avanti's Italian Restaurant, **3302 East Empire Street, Bloomington**

Avanti's is across the highway (north side) of the Bloomington airport on Route 9 (Empire Street).

Illinois Water Authority Association
2023 Financial Report - August 20, 2023 to October 20, 2023

Checking Account balance as of August 20, 2023 **25,149.22**

Receipts

Havana Interest - Checking, August	4.24
Havana Interest - Checking September	3.32
Dues - Russell Allison	1,200.00

Total Receipts 1,207.56

Disbursements

McGrath Law		2,295.38
Gov. Efficiency Act Forms	1,864.44	
Regular Meeting Expense	430.94	
Avanti's		289.39

Total Disbursements 2,584.77

Checking Account Balance as of October 20, 2023 **23,772.01**

Assets (CDs)

BoP Minier CD 28mo 3.3% 5/30/25	10,164.30	
BoP Minier CD 28mo 3.5% 9/22/25	10,086.95	
Alliance 7 mo 4.25% 10/21/23	10,216.17	
Alliance 12 mo 4.5% 4/10/24	10,227.75	
Total CDs		40,695.17

Total Funds Available ----- 64,467.18

**Illinois Water Authority Association
Avanti's Italian Restaurant
3302 East Empire St., Bloomington
Agenda December 7, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. – Quarterly Board Meeting**

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.

<u>Current Membership</u>	* ALLIN TOWNSHIP WATER AUTH.	* MT HOPE/FUNKS GROVE WATER AUTH.
	* DANVERS TOWNSHIP WATER AUTH.	* RUSSELL ALLISON WATER AUTH.
	* IMPERIAL VALLEY WATER AUTH.	* SOUTH ROSS TOWNSHIP WATER AUTH.
	* MACKINAW VALLEY WATER AUTH.	* SUGAR GROVE WATER AUTH.
	* MENARD COUNTY WATER AUTH.	* SUSAN J ADAMS - ASSOCIATE
	* NORTHERN LOGAN CO. WATER AUTH.	

<u>Current Leadership</u>	SUSAN J. ADAMS - Chairman	MICHAEL FUNK - Vice Chairman
	GARY WILLIAMS - Secretary	DONALD OSBORN, JR. - Treasurer
	JERRY ELLIOTT - Exec. Comm	
	MARY AUTH – Exec. Administrator.	MARK J. McGRATH, Attorney

AGENDA

- Call to Order – Susan J. Adams, Chairman
- Roll Call – Attendance Sheet
- Introduce Mary Auth
- Minutes of September 7th – Gary Williams
- Treasurer’s Report – Donald Osborn, Jr. & Susan Adams
- Report of the Nominating Committee – Mike Funk, Chairman
- Election of Chairman, Treasurer and Exec Committee at Large – Mike Funk
- Consider 2024 Budget as recommended by the Executive Committee – S.J. Adams
- Legislative Review & 103rd General Assembly –
- Mahomet Aquifer Consortium Update –
- RWSPC Update – S. J. Adams
- Consider Bills for Payment B Adams, Funk McGrath & Others
- Other Business
- Next Meeting - March 7, 2024 – 5:00 pm Location TBA
- Adjourn

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