

CAPITAL REGION WATER BOARD (CRWB)
Meeting Minutes – January 20, 2010
Bethany Village – Mechanicsburg, PA

The meeting was called to order at 1:05PM. Marshall thanked Walter Lyon for arranging the meeting location for the January meeting.

Ed Carney – Dauphin County Planning Commission
Marshall Goulding, CRWB Executive Director
Jeff Hines, CRWB Director – York Water Company
Mark Hartle – PA Fish & Boat Commission
Steven Huntzinger – CET Engineering
Randy Hurst, CRWB Director – Mette, Evans & Woodside
Michael Kyle – Lancaster Area Sewer Authority
Walter Lyon, CRWB Consultant
Peter Robelen, CRWB Vice Chair – GeoServices Ltd
John Seitz, CRWB Director – York County Planning Commission
Susan Boynton – CRWB Staff

Minutes of the November 18, 2009 meeting were reviewed and approved by those present with one correction. Walter Lyon noted there was not consensus on the nutrient issue when the topic was discussed at the November 18, 2009 meeting and the minutes should reflect that fact.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The final 2009/2010 Budget was distributed to members present. Marshall Goulding briefly reviewed how member dues have been previously calculated based on water usage. He noted that with the absences of PA Water and United Water paying their dues, the dues obligations for other members would basically double. Jeff Hines recommended that another attempt be made to collect dues from PA Water and United Water along with renewal invoices for other current contributing members.

Motion/Second by: Jeff Hines/Walter Lyon

Motion (Passed): To use current dues calculation process and generate and mail dues invoices for all contributing members, including PA Water and United Water.

LOWER SUSQUEHANNA REGIONAL COMMITTEE

Randy Hurst reviewed the document he prepared for discussion concerning issues identified by the Lower Susquehanna Regional Water Planning Committee. The basis for the document was to help identify one or more issues that the CRWB could adopt as a goal and work on as a benefit to its members. Walter Lyon reviewed testimony provided by the CRWB to the Lower Susquehanna Regional Committee on May 16, 2005, which covered water quality and quantity concerns; lack of sufficient number of qualified personnel within the PA DEP to address the concerns; management of infrastructure; issues that combine land and water management, etc.

Mike Kyle, a member of the Regional Water Planning Committee, indicated that asset management was not considered or addressed by the Committee to any extent. He also indicated that integrating agencies and programs is difficult and that the problem was getting worse with every new regulation imposed. In addition, Mike indicated that local government or facility owners have little voice in the process – affected facilities are only able to listen to agencies and then required to take the necessary action. It was suggested that the CRWB work to bring local government into the discussion and development of process.

A general discussion was held on various ways the CRWB can move forward with a new mission and set of goals that would help water suppliers. Several issues needing timely attention were identified, but it was agreed the number of issues needed to be pared down to a manageable level. This discussion was to be continued at the March meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Paula Ballaron was absent; no report was provided.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Jeff Hines distributed a draft of the revised CRWB membership brochure.

The next CRWB meeting will be held on March 17, 2010; a location yet to be determined.

The meeting adjourned at 2:45PM.