

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE  
CATAWBA-WATEREE WATER MANAGEMENT GROUP**

A regular meeting of the Catawba-Wateree Water Management Group (“WMG”) was held on Tuesday, April 14, 2009, at 10:00 AM, at the Lee Dukes Water Treatment Plant in Huntersville, NC.

Present at the Meeting – The WMG Member Representative and/or Alternate of the following WMG Members were present:

Member	Member Representative	Alternate
City of Belmont, NC .....	Barry Webb	
City of Camden, SC .....	Tom Couch	
Catawba River Water Treatment Plant.....		
City of Charlotte, NC .....	Barry Gullet .....	Maeneen Klein
Chester Metropolitan District.....		
Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC.....	Jeff Lineberger .....	Ed Bruce
City of Gastonia, NC .....	Ed Cross	
Town of Granite Falls, NC.....		Kim Prestwood
City of Hickory, NC .....	Kevin Greer	
City of Lenoir, NC .....	Mack Edmisten	
Lincoln County, NC.....	Barry McKinnon	
Town of Long View, NC .....		
Lugoff-Elgin Water Authority .....		
City of Morganton, NC .....		
City of Mount Holly, NC.....		James Friday
City of Rock Hill, SC .....		Bill Yetman
City of Statesville, NC .....	Joe Hudson .....	Jerry Byerly
Town of Valdese, NC.....	Jeff Morse	

Meeting guests included: Ken Kearns (Kearns & West, Inc.); Kim Linton (Water Research Foundation); McGill Associates Team (Dennie Martin, Jessica Martin-Lane, and Andy Lovingood); Jordan, Jones & Goulding Team (John McLaughlin, Terry Cole, and Kathryn Baker), and McKim & Creed Team (Joe Stowe, Linda Vaughn, and Don Safrit).

Call to Order – Barry Gullet (Chair) called the meeting to order at 10:08 AM

Quorum Established – Jeff Lineberger (Secretary/Treasurer) called the roll and confirmed that a quorum was present.

February 10, 2009 Meeting Minutes Approved – Mack Edmisten moved and Kevin Greer seconded that the February 10, 2009 meeting minutes be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

**Secretary/Treasurer Report**

Financial Report – Lineberger distributed a copy of “WMG Project Funding and Banking Summary for the Current Calendar Year”. He noted that two new projects had been added for

which substantial payments were due already. The first of three payments for the Web site / logo development had been made. There have been no additional payments on the Groundwater and GIS Mapping projects. He noted that it was good that the WMG has money and is implementing projects.

Action Register – Lineberger distributed the “Catawba-Wateree Water Management Group Action Register” and noted that he had received the conflict-of-interest statements required by the Bylaws from everyone except the Alternates from Lugoff-Elgin Water Authority and the Town of Valdese. Statements from everyone will be due again in December, 2009. He noted that the annual NC and SC charitable solicitation licenses are due in May. He will update the rather long application forms prepared last year by Dianne Bailey (WMG attorney) and get Bailey’s review prior to submitting them. He called attention to item #13 – NC DENR’s request for the WMG to oversee a basinwide water quality sampling program and said this would be reviewed at the next WMG Board meeting.

### **Chair Report**

Board Meeting – Gullet reported on the regularly schedule March 12, 2009 WMG Board meeting at which all the topics on today’s meeting agenda were discussed.

Water Research Foundation Presentation – Gullet introduced Kim Linton, senior account manager, for the Water Research Foundation (WRF), who gave a presentation on the WRF’s research mission and projects.

Consultant Selection for WMG Project Management, Administrative Support and Outreach – Gullet briefly reviewed the Board’s deliberations on the responses to the WMG’s Request for Qualifications for this project. From the nine responses, the Board used a weighted-criteria method to select the three most qualified teams and invited each team to meet with the WMG today. The three teams (McGill Associates, Jordan, Jones & Goulding, and McKim and Creed) each in turn gave brief presentations and fielded questions. The WMG then discussed the relative qualifications of the three teams after which Tom Couch moved and Ed Cross seconded the following motion which was approved by majority vote.

VOTED that the McKim & Creed Team be and hereby is selected to negotiate with the WMG Board an agreement to provide project management, administrative support, and outreach in 2009.

Safe Yield Research Project Support – Gullet reported that the Supply-Side Opportunities Committee on behalf of the WMG had sent RFQs for this project to 15-20 potential firms. It received responses from Hazen and Sawyer and HDR Engineering. After review the Committee concluded that both responses were credible but that HDR Engineering was the more qualified and was therefore recommended for the project. After a brief discussion, Jeff Morse moved and Kevin Greer seconded the following motion which was carried unanimously.

VOTED that the HDR Engineering be and hereby is selected to negotiate with the Supply-Side Opportunities Committee an agreement to implement the Safe Yield Research Project.

### **Committee Reports**

Demand-Side Norms, Trends and Opportunities – Lineberger reported that the Committee had not met but he would report on one the Committee’s projects later in the meeting.

Supply-Side Opportunities – Gullet reported that, in addition to the discussions on the Safe Yield Project described earlier, the Committee has concluded that the GIS Mapping Project is at a

point where it needs input and direction from the WMG Members. The Committee is proposing a GIS Mapping workshop to discuss and provide this direction.

System-Wide Drought Preparation and Management – Kevin Greer reported the Committee had gone through several iterations to refine the WMG's new logo. He distributed the Committee's final recommendation. After a brief discussion, Joe Hudson moved and Ed Cross seconded the following motion, which was approved unanimously.

VOTED that the recommended logo is adopted as the WMG's official logo.

Greer noted that the BigNoise Web link set up for the WMG's work provides a schedule for the next actions including preparing letterhead with the logo.

### **Project Updates**

Groundwater Wells – Ed Bruce provided an overview of this project and its current status. He noted that the project was on schedule. The new well in the Lake Wateree area is complete except for the instrumentation. The USGS is also investigating potential well locations at the Lancaster, SC airport and are talking with Duke about a potential well site at Duke's Oxford Access Area (Lake Hickory).

Mapping Project – Gullet said the WMG needed to complete the workshop discussed earlier before the work could be completed. The workshop was scheduled for 10:00 AM – 12:00 N on April 29, 2009, at Charlotte-Mecklenburg Utilities' Lee Dukes Water Treatment Plant in Huntersville, NC.

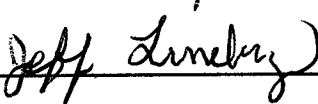
Lakefront Smart Irrigation Project – Lineberger distributed a brief description of the survey related to project. He reported that approximately 20,000 postcards were mailed to all lakefront homeowners inviting to them go online to take a survey about their irrigation use. More than 1,400 have responded and many also volunteered to be part of Phase 2 of the study. He added that they had plenty of volunteers at two of the three lakes (James, Norman and Wylie) to be used in project, but too few at Lake James. NCSU (the project service provider) is seeking more volunteers at Lake James, but if that fails, the project will use Lake Hickory rather than Lake James for Phase 2.

### **New Business**

There was no new business.

### **Adjournment**

Gullet adjourned the meeting at 12:58 PM.



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Jeff Lineberger  
Secretary/Treasurer