



MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE OKANAGAN WATER STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL HELD ON
MAY 15, 2008 AT THE ROTARY CENTRE FOR THE ARTS, KELOWNA, BC

PRESENT:

Chair Tom Siddon	Okanagan Partnership
Vice Chair Ted van der Gulik	Ministry of Agriculture and Lands
Allison MacMillan	Okanagan College
Dr. Bernie Bauer	UBC Okanagan
Bob Hrasko	Water Supply Association of BC
Dr. Brian Guy	CWRA
Bryn White	SOSCP
Rob Hawes (alternate)	SOSCP
Dr. Denise Neilsen	Agriculture Canada
Doug Geller	BC Ground Water Association
Drew Kaiser	CORD Environmental Advisory Committee
Gord Shandler	BC Fruit Growers Association
Grant Maddock	Urban Development Institute
Hans Buchler	BC Agriculture Council
Hillary Hettinga	Regional District of Central Okanagan
Brent Magnan (alternate)	Regional District of Central Okanagan
Howie Wright	Okanagan Nation Alliance
Jillian Tamblin	Regional Dist of Okanagan Similkameen
John Vos	City of Kelowna – Works and Utilities
Ken Cunningham	Ministry of Environment, Water Stewardship
Kendall Woo	Environment Canada – Pacific & Yukon Region
Dan Millar (alternate)	Environment Canada – Pacific & Yukon Region
Kerry Rouck	Shuswap Okanagan Forestry Association
Lee Hesketh	BC Cattlemen's Association
Lorne Davies	OCEOLA Fish and Game Club
Mike Adams	Interior Health Authority
Anna Page	Regional District of North Okanagan
Tricia Brett	Greater Vernon Water Stewardship Committee
Stu Wells	Community Futures

STAFF:

Dr. Anna Warwick Sears	Executive Director, OBWB
Nelson Jatel	Water Stewardship Director, OBWB
Genevieve Dunbar	Water Stewardship Coordinator, OBWB

OTHERS PRESENT:

Kellie Bunting	Insight Environmental Solutions Ltd.
Lorraine Bennest	Director, Okanagan Basin Water Board
John Slater	Chair, Okanagan Basin Water Board
Jennifer Miles	Masters Candidate, University of Alberta
Marlowe Sam	Masters Candidate, University of BC – Okanagan

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Tom Siddon Called the meeting to order at 9:10 am

2. INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS AND GUESTS

Chair Siddon welcomed regular members and guests, who introduced themselves to the group.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

There were no late items or changes to the agenda

Moved by Gord Shandler

Seconded by Brian Guy

"That the agenda for the May 15, 2008 meeting of the Okanagan Water Stewardship Council be approved as circulated."

CARRIED.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

4.1 Minutes of a regular meeting of the Okanagan Water Stewardship Council held April 10th, 2008 at the Environmental Education Centre for the Okanagan in Mission Creek Regional Park.

Moved by Brian Guy

Seconded by Kerry Rouck

"That the minutes of the regular meeting of the Okanagan Water Stewardship Council held March 13, 2008 be adopted as circulated".

CARRIED.

5. MEETING FORMAT AND EXPECTATIONS

Kellie Bunting of Insight Environmental and Nelson Jatel, Water Stewardship Director reviewed the format for the meeting, as this was a specially scheduled workshop to review the Sustainable Water Strategy document, in place of a regular Water Stewardship Council meeting.

6. INTRODUCTION TO THE OKANAGAN SUSTAINABLE WATER STRATEGY

Ms. Bunting reviewed the current accomplishments in creating the document and outlined the process of Chapter writing and review for the Water Stewardship Council. Most of the document editing up to this meeting had been completed by an editorial review committee, composed of Bob Hrasko (Chair), Bernie Bauer, Anna Warwick Sears, Nelson Jatel, Toby Pike, Hans Buchler, and Lorraine Bennest. Additional contributors are Tom Siddon and Ted van der Gulik and Kellie Bunting is the lead writer.

7. REVIEW GUIDING PRINCIPLES

8. GROUP BREAKOUT DISCUSSIONS: CHAPTERS 1 – 5
9. PRESENTATION FROM BREAK OUT DISCUSSION
10. LARGE GROUP DISCUSSION OF CHAPTERS 1 – 5
11. REVIEW PROJECT TIMELINES
12. MEETING OUTCOMES - SUMMARY
13. NEXT MEETING

9.1 The next meeting date has been changed from June 12th, 2008 to **Thursday, June 19th from 12:30 to 5:00 pm** with the location to be determined. The change is to allow for Ms. Bunting to have more time to rework components of the Sustainable Water Strategy document before bringing it to the council again.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Ted van der Gulik

Seconded by Bob Hrasko

“That there being no further business, the meeting of the Okanagan Water Stewardship Council of May 15, 2008 be adjourned”.

CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 pm