



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE OKANAGAN BASIN WATER BOARD HELD
SEPTEMBER 9, 2008, AT THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL OKANAGAN 1450 KLO
ROAD, KELOWNA, BC**

PRESENT:

Chair John Slater	Regional District Okanagan-Similkameen
Director Dan Ashton	Regional District Okanagan-Similkameen
Director Lorraine Bennest	Regional District Okanagan-Similkameen
Director Patty Hanson	Regional District Central Okanagan
Director Robert Hobson	Regional District Central Okanagan
Director Graham Reid	Regional District Central Okanagan
Director Rick Fairbairn	Regional District North Okanagan
Director Buffy Baumbrough	Regional District North Okanagan
Director Glen Taylor	Regional District North Okanagan
Director Tom Siddon	Okanagan Water Stewardship Council
Director Toby Pike	Water Supply Association of B.C.
Director Tim Manuel	Okanagan Nation Alliance

STAFF:

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

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Slater called the meeting to order at 10:11am.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Updating Signing Authority added as Item 6.3

Moved by Director Taylor

Seconded by Director Fairbairn

"That the agenda of the regular meeting of the Okanagan Basin Water Board on September 9, 2008 be approved as amended".

CARRIED

3. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

- Updating Signing Authority added as Item 6.3

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- 4.1 Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Okanagan Basin Water Board of August 12, 2008 at the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen.

Moved by Director Pike

Seconded by Director Ashton

“That the minutes of the regular meeting of the Okanagan Basin Water Board of August 12, 2008 at the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen be adopted as circulated”.

CARRIED

5. DELEGATIONS

No Delegations

6. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 6.1 Water Supply Expansion Program Grant Submission Resolution

Dr. Sears explained that the Okanagan Basin Water Board has the opportunity to apply for a grant in support of the Water Supply and Demand Project through the Canada-BC Water Supply Expansion Program. She requested a resolution of support from the Board.

Moved by Director Pike

Seconded by Director Bennest

“That the Okanagan Basin Water Board forward a funding application to the Canada-BC Water Supply Expansion Program to support completion of the Okanagan Water Supply & Demand Project”.

CARRIED

- 6.2 Water Supply & Demand Project Contract Approvals

Dr. Sears explained to the Board that committees from the Technical Working Group of the Water Supply and Demand Project have now successfully negotiated contracts for the Hydrology and Instream Flow studies. She supplied Directors with a current list of Water Supply and Demand contracts and financial overview and requested a resolution of approval by the board.

Moved by Director Baumbrough

Seconded by Director Taylor

“That the Okanagan Basin Water Board approves the following contracts held by the Okanagan Basin Water Board in relation to the Water Supply and Demand Project:

1. *The Surface Water Hydrology contract with Summit Environmental Consultants Ltd, in partnership with DHI Inc. and Polar Geoscience Ltd. in the amount of \$396,920 and;*
2. *Instream Flow Needs contract with ESSA Technologies Ltd.in the amount of\$105,000.*

CARRIED

6.3 Updating Signing Authority

Dr. Sears informed the Board that David Sewell has been appointed as the new CFO of the Regional District of North Okanagan therefore our bank requires that we update our signing authority.

Moved by Director Fairbairn

Seconded by Director Taylor

“WHEREAS it is desirable for the Okanagan Basin Water Board (hereinafter called the “Corporation”) to authorize certain of its officers to, inter alia, sign cheques, deposit promissory notes and cheques, receive paid cheques, obtain and deliver from the Corporation’s bankers, copies of all or any stocks and bonds;

NOW THEREFORE, the Corporation hereby enacts as follows:

1. *That all cheques of the corporation drawn on its General Accounts be signed on its behalf by Rick Fairbairn, Director; Glen Taylor, Director; Buffy Baumbrough, Director; and signed/countersigned by any one of the following: Terry Mori, Corporate Controller or David Sewell, Chief Financial Officer of the Regional District of North Okanagan.*
2. *That Terry Mori, Corporate Controller and David Sewell, Chief Financial Officer be and is/and are hereby authorized for and on behalf of the Corporation to negotiate with, deposit with or transfer to the Bank of Montreal (but for the credit of the said Corporation only) all or any Bills of Exchange. Promissory notes, Cheques and Orders for payments of money and other negotiable paper, and for the said purpose to endorse the same or any of them on behalf of the said Corporation either in writing, rubber stamp, or electronic printer.*
3. *That Terry Mori, Corporate Controller and David Sewell, Chief Financial Officer be and is/are hereby authorized for and on behalf of the said Corporation from time to time to arrange, settle, balance and certify all books and accounts between the said corporation and the bank; and to receive all paid cheques and vouchers unpaid and unaccepted bills of exchange and other negotiable instruments.*
4. *That Terry Mori, Corporate Controller and David Sewell, Chief Financial Officer be and is hereby authorized for and on behalf of the said Corporation to obtain delivery from the said bank for all or any stocks, bonds or other securities held by the said Bank in*

safe-keeping or otherwise for the account of the said Corporation and to give valid and binding receipts thereof.

5. *That this resolution be communicated to the said Bank and remain in force until written notice to the contrary shall have been given to the Manager for the time being the Branch of the Bank at which the Account of the said Corporation is kept and receipt of such notice duly acknowledged in writing.”*
6. This resolution shall take effect on the 12th day of August, 2008.

“That the Signing Authority Resolution be approved as presented.”

CARRIED.

7. STAFF REPORTS

7.1 Executive Director’s Report

Dr. Sears reported that the harvesting milfoil operation this year was limited due to little growth and therefore the harvesting season is complete. The machines are now in the shop for regular routine maintenance and the rototillers are ready for the winter milfoil operation. In preparation for the winter season a rototiller had a new hull put on with an additional 4 inches of depth added to increase stability and the other two rototillers had their paddlewheels rebuilt.

Dr. Sears explained that she has begun presenting the OBWB Water Management Review to the regional district boards and municipal councils in the Okanagan Valley. The last presentation will be October 14th and input from the municipalities will be received by the regional districts for their final vote by November.

7.2 Water Stewardship Director’s Report

Mr. Jatel updated board members on the development of the Sustainable Water Strategy. A draft Strategy v6.1 was reviewed by Dr. Andrew Larder, Public Health Officer his input is being incorporated in the next draft for review. In addition, Ducks Unlimited has provided useful feedback. The public launch of the Strategy is scheduled for October 23rd at the One Watershed – One Water conference.

At the Water Stewardship Council Meeting of September 4th Lynn Kriwoken, Director, Water Stewardship Division, BC Ministry of Environment attended to speak to the council about the BC ***Living Water Smart***.

Dr. Sears stated that it is very clear that the Water Stewardship Division is looking to the Okanagan Basin Water Board for partnership and planning; they want to see the strategy take form and we have the structure and mechanism to help accomplish that. Within the landscape of the Okanagan and British Columbia there are not many

agencies involved in water leadership and the OBWB can provide a landing pad for many pilot projects.

Mr. Jatel gave Directors an update on the status of the Reservoir Drinking Water Lots. He toured the area of Crooked Lake cabins with Kelowna City Councilor Norm Letnick and was given an opportunity to hear from local cabin owners.

7.2.1 Okanagan Water Stewardship Council Meeting Minutes of July 10, 2008

Moved by Director Hobson

Seconded by Director Bennest

“That the minutes from the July 10, 2008 meeting of the Okanagan Water Stewardship Council be adopted as circulated.”

CARRIED

7.3 Water Stewardship Coordinator – WCQI Grant Update

Ms. Dunbar presented the board with an update on the Water Conservation and Quality Improvement Grant. She explained that to date she has visited 11 grant recipient project sites and will continue throughout September and October.

8. Correspondence

No Correspondence

9. Next Meeting

9.1 The next meeting of the Okanagan Basin Water Board is scheduled for October 7, 2008 at the Regional District of North Okanagan.

10. Adjournment

Moved by Director Reid

Seconded by Director Baumbrough

“That there being no further business, the regular meeting of the Okanagan Basin Water Board of September 9, 2008 be adjourned at 12:34pm.”

CARRIED

Certified Correct:		
Chair		Executive Director