UNRBA Board of Directors: September 16, 2015 Draft Board Minutes

The Board of Directors of the Upper Neuse River Basin Association (UNRBA) met at 9:30 A.M. on Wednesday, September 16, 2015 at the Town of Butner's Town Hall. Meeting attendees are listed below.

Name	Affiliation
Pam Hemminger (Chair)	Orange County
Lindsay Mize (Vice Chair)	South Granville Water and Sewer Authority
Jimmy Clayton (Treasurer)	Person County
Terry Hackett	Town of Hillsborough
Carolyn Bachl	City of Raleigh
Gerard Seibert	Town of Stem
Ed Mims	Granville County
Jessica Gladwin	Town of Butner
Melinda Clark	Wake County
Randy Cahoon	City of Creedmoor
Dan McLawhorn	City of Raleigh
Jim Wrenn	Attorney Rep. Granville Co., Person Co., Butner, Creedmoor & SGWASA
James Bryan	Orange County
Tom Davis	Orange County
Donald Long	Long, Inc.
Emily Rhode	City of Durham
Cora Cole-McFadden	City of Durham
Melissa Hodge	Town of Butner
Mark Senior	City of Raleigh
Carolyn Bachl	City of Raleigh
Sybil Tate	Person County
Henrietta Locklear	Multi-County Stormwater Utility
Jennifer Fitts	Multi-County Stormwater Utility
Michael Orbon	Wake County
Sig Hutchinson	Wake County
Anne Coan	NC Farm Bureau
Alix Matos	Cardno
Matt Van de Bogert	Cardno
Jay Sauber	Water Quality Consultant
Forrest Westall	UNRBA Executive Director
Haywood Phthisic	LNBA/NRCA/UNRBA

Welcome and Recognition -

The Chair, Pam Hemminger, called the meeting to order, welcomed all attendees, and asked each attendee to introduce themselves.

Administrative Items -

The Board minutes from the June 17, 2015 meeting were presented for approval. A motion was made by Lindsay Mize to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Sig Hutchinson, and approved by the Board.

2015 UNRBA 990 Tax Return – The draft 2015 UNRBA 990 Tax Return was emailed to the members on September 14, 2015 for review by the Board. Forrest noted if any members have any question or comments to please forward to Haywood or himself.

Audit Committee – The committee met in August 12, 2015 to review the needs of the UNRBA for preparing for an audit. Forrest reported several policies have been drafted and are currently being reviewed. The goal is to have and implement all necessary policies in preparation for an audit of the current fiscal year (2015-16).

Legislative Update – A representative from the League of Municipalities was unable to attend the meeting today so Forrest briefly addressed some of the bills under consideration by the legislature. He noted that the Jordan Lake Rules have once again been delayed and funds have been allotted for additional in lake treatment processes (SolarBee) and additional monitoring.

Status Updates and Action Items -

Rules Review Process – Forrest updated the Board of the State's Rules Review process noting that the time to submit comments on behalf of the Association that could be considered by DWR before presenting them to the EMC was fast approaching. Many member jurisdictions have submitted their comments already. Comments submitted by the UNRBA will carry significant weight in this process. An updated draft of the rules as prepared by DWR should be released in the near future because their plan is to submit the updated draft to the EMC at their January, 2016 meeting. Forrest told the Board there are two options: the first option would be to authorize the Path Forward Committee (PFC) to prepare comments and approve them for submission to the State; the second option would be to have the PFC develop recommended comments for the Board to review and approve prior to submitting them . Following discussion, Forrest suggested that a work group prepare and review the potential comments, then have the PFC review, revise, and prepare a recommendation for consideration by the Board at the November meeting. The Board approved this recommendation by consensus.

Monitoring Program Scope of Work and Project Status – Matt Van de Bogert reported the Monitoring Program is proceeding smoothly. All data through Jul 2015 has been posted on the monitoring website. Matt reviewed the Special Studies for this fiscal year. Those studies being Storm Event Sampling, Sediment Evaluation, High Flow Sampling, Light Penetration Data review, and Volatile Suspended Solids Measurements. Other studies under consideration are: Evaluation of the Model Performance, Recreational Use Surveys, Alternative Regulatory Options, lake Constriction Point Monitoring. Matt also noted that the lake is currently about 2 feet below the normal pool level of 251.5′.

Nutrient Credit Scope of Work and Project Status – Alix Matos updated the Board on progress achieved in developing the nutrient credits. She reviewed Task 1 of the Credit Development: Batch 1 practices include infiltration devices (90% complete), filter strips (50% complete), and soil amendments (meeting later that day); Batch 2 practices include technical support documents have been submitted to Subject Matter Experts for review; bioretention with design variants, land conservation, and pervious area nutrient management; Batch 3 practices include livestock exclusion, riparian buffers, and elimination of illicit discharges. The submittal timeframe for each batch, respectively, is December 2015, February 2016, and April 2016. Alix then reviewed the progress on Task 2, Credit Calculation Tool. Consensus on the scope and key functions of the tool have previously been agreed to and a schedule for completion has been developed.

Treasurer's Report – Jimmy Clayton presented the Treasurer's Report and the current balance in the checking account is \$885,563.43 and \$701,321.37 in the savings account as of today.

Presentation – US Army Corp of Engineers, Falls Lake Dam Operational Practices

Edward Woodley and Dan Emerson with the Corp made a presentation to the Board on how the Falls Lake Dam is operated and controlled. Edward pointed out that the reservoir is authorized for the purpose of water

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quality, water supply, wildlife enhancement, flood control, and recreation. He noted that target releases (minimum) downstream are met directly below the dam and at the N.C. 42 Highway east of Clayton. The drought plan was updated in 2008 and is activated when the water quality or water supply storage is <80%.

Executive Director Report – Forrest briefly noted the following activities since the June meeting and upcoming work items:

- * Monitoring Site visits, June 24th and Sept 15th.
- * PFC Meetings, July 23rd, September 1st.
- * NC Lake Management Workshop April 28th.
- * NCWQA Meeting, September 17th.
- * NC Nutrient Criteria Development Plan, SAC and CIC meetings.
- * NSAB Meeting July 10th.
- * Stage I New Development Workshop, June 23rd.
- * Nutrient Credits Project, DWR/DEMLR meetings.
- * League Meeting August 21st.

The next scheduled Board meeting is November 18, 2015, 9:30 to 12 at Butner Town Hall.

With no other business, the meeting was then adjourned.