

MINUTES
NORTHERN NEVADA WATER PLANNING COMMISSION

Wednesday, January 4, 2017

The regular meeting of the Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission ("NNWPC") was held in the Washoe County Commission Chambers, 1001 East Ninth Street, Reno, Nevada and conducted the following business:

The meeting was called to order by Chair Flansberg at 1:31 p.m.

1. Roll Call and Determination of Presence of a Quorum

Voting Members Present: John Flansberg, Michael DeMartini, Michael Drinkwater, John Enloe, Bill Hauck, Mickey Hazelwood, Darrin Price, John Zimmerman

Voting Members Absent: Danielle Henderson, John Martini, David Solaro

Non-Voting Members Present: Thomas Pyeatte

Non-Voting Members Absent: Cindy Turiczek, Harry Fahnestock, My-Linh Nguyen

Staff Members Present: Jim Smitherman; Chris Wessel; Donna Fagan; and John Rhodes, Legal Counsel

2. Public Comment

None

3. Approval of Agenda (For Possible Action)

COMMISSIONER ZIMMERMAN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PRICE. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH EIGHT (8) MEMBERS PRESENT.

4. Approval of Minutes from the December 7, 2016, Meeting (For Possible Action)

COMMISSIONER PRICE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER 7, 2016, MINUTES, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HAZELWOOD. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH EIGHT (8) MEMBERS PRESENT.

5. Presentation on Water Supply Outlook for 2017 – Bill Hauck, Truckee Meadows Water Authority (TMWA).

Commissioner Hauck gave a presentation on the regional water supply outlook for 2017. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation will be filed with the minutes for the record. There were no questions from the Commissioners.

No action was taken.

6. Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding review and possible revisions to the “Issues and Action Plan” chapter for inclusion in the 2016 Regional Water Management Plan (“RWMP”) update - Jim Smitherman, NNWPC Water Resources Program Manager. (For Possible Action)

Mr. Smitherman presented an overview of the staff report. This chapter is posted on the website without redline edits. Commissioners can review the chapter and provide redline comments

electronically in Word or print out a hard copy to edit by hand and send it to Mr. Smitherman. Mr. Smitherman will also accept comments for this chapter by phone if needed.

No action was taken.

(Recess at 1:46 p.m. for audio technical check. Back to order at 1:52 p.m.)

7. Review, discussion and possible direction to staff regarding the draft Regional Water Balance for possible inclusion in the “Population Forecast and Projections of Water Demand, Peak Day Requirements and Wastewater Flow” chapter of the 2016 RWMP update – Jim Smitherman. (For Possible Action)

Mr. Smitherman presented an overview of the staff report and provided an update on the status of the Regional Water Balance model. Once confirmation is received from service providers on some of the details on that model, a draft final product will be prepared for review at the next NNWPC meeting.

No action was taken.

8. Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding review and possible revisions to the “Cost and Financing” chapter for inclusion in the 2016 RWMP update - Jim Smitherman. (For Possible Action)

Mr. Smitherman presented an overview of the staff report for this chapter.

Commissioner Drinkwater discussed the CIP funding table and noted that it is not capturing all of the CIPs. Mr. Smitherman will follow up on that with Hansford Economic Consulting.

Commissioner Drinkwater noted that some of the language regarding the sewer connection fee implies that it discourages infill. If that is not the intent, some language about being revenue neutral would be appropriate.

No action was taken.

9. Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding any chapters of the RWMP previously reviewed by the NNWPC in relation to the 2016 RWMP update – Jim Smitherman. (For Possible Action)

No action was taken.

10. Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding the NNWPC schedule for final review of the draft 2016 RWMP update - Jim Smitherman. (For Possible Action)

Mr. Smitherman presented an overview of the staff report reviewing a possible schedule for Plan adoption. The schedule would allow for the NNWPC to make a recommendation for adoption to the WRWC at a public hearing on March 1, 2107. This schedule would require that all comments for changes are received by February 8, 2017. At the earliest this schedule has a final adoption date of April 19, 2017.

COMMISSIONER DEMARTINI MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE SCHEDULE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DRINKWATER. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH EIGHT (8) MEMBERS PRESENT.

11. Program Manager’s Report – Jim Smitherman.

- A. Report on the status of projects and Work Plan supported by the Regional Water Management Fund (“RWMF”)

B. Financial report on the RWMF

Mr. Smitherman presented an overview of the staff reports for these items.

12. Discussion regarding location and possible agenda items for the February 1, 2017, NNWPC meeting, and other future meetings, and possible direction to staff – Jim Smitherman. (For Possible Action)

Mr. Smitherman stated that the February NNWPC meeting will be held in the Washoe County Commission Chambers.

Possible future agenda items will include:

- Review of changes to the RWMP update and schedule; and any other standing items
- Project budget details for the next fiscal year

Mr. Smitherman confirmed for Commissioner Price that he and John Rhodes have registered as lobbyists.

No action was taken.

13. Commission Comments

Chair Flansberg requested that Mr. Smitherman send an email to the Commissioners with links to each of the draft chapters.

14. Staff Comments

None

15. Public Comment

None

16. Adjournment (For Possible Action)

COMMISSIONER ENLOE MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 2:09 P.M., SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PRICE. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH EIGHT (8) MEMBERS PRESENT.

Respectfully submitted by Christine Birmingham.

Approved by:

John Flansberg, Chairman

APPROVED BY COMMISSION IN SESSION ON February 1, 2017.