

WPP STAKEHOLDER MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 28, 2014

ATTENDEES:

- ❖ Terry Bowie, Arthur Faiello, Ron Gunter, Scott Harper, Jim Haymon, Andy Isbell, Scott Nichols, Vernon Miller, Warren Oja, Carol Reed, Ben Richardson, Ruth Stultz, Mark Webb, Kimberly Kembro
- ❖ Lloyd Tisdale, Gary Montgomery, Michael Bleier, Jace Houston, Randy Acreman, Ron Kelling, Davies Mtundu, David Parkhill, Bret Raley, Shane Simpson, Ronda Trow, Hector Ortiz, Sam Meza, Christine Cooper, Lorena Anderson, Rhonda Mona

AGENDA:

- ❖ Introduction
- ❖ Watershed Protection 101
- ❖ Example Program Elements
- ❖ Stakeholder Involvement
- ❖ Discussions

OPENING:

- ❖ Welcome to everyone and introduction of Board Members from Jace Houston
- ❖ Introduction, Agenda, and Big Picture by Bret Raley

PRESENTATIONS:

- ❖ Watershed Protection 101 PowerPoint by Shane Simpson
- ❖ Example Program Elements by Randy Acreman

DISCUSSION TOPICS:

- ❖ Water Sampling
- ❖ TCEQ vs. EPA
- ❖ Septic Maintenance Agreements
- ❖ Storm Water Run-off
- ❖ Controlling Non Point Sources & Nutrient Loading
- ❖ TCEQ's Enforcement
- ❖ Illegal Dumping of Solid Waste
- ❖ Stakeholder Involvement
- ❖ Formality and Structure of Meetings
- ❖ Future Meeting Logistics
- ❖ Ground Rules

DISCUSSIONS HELD:

Jace Houston: Discussion regarding sampling of reservoir water for multiple purposes and identifying trends.

Ron Gunter: Question regarding overlap of jurisdiction between TCEQ & EPA.

David Parkhill: EPA has come up with good material and we rely on that material.

Jace Houston: Material isn't regulatory driven; they provide tools resources and guidance.

Jace Houston: Discussion of septic maintenance agreements within different counties.

Jace Houston: Discussion of storm water run-off.

David Parkhill: Explained SJRA's process for storm water run-off on a volunteer basis, and what developers can do to reduce contaminations.

Carol Reed: Discussion regarding controlling 90% of the problem with 10% contributors. Urges we use caution as we move forward and not make the same mistakes. She would like to see this group address the tougher contributors and problems that contribute to pollution.

Jace Houston: Concurred Carol's comments.

Mark Webb: Need to take a look at the nutrient loading. Suggested we need to take a look at ways to reduce the nutrients to the reservoir.

Gary Montgomery: Raised question regarding TCEQ's regulations within Montgomery and Walker counties for storm water run-off.

Andy Isbell: Stated it's based on size of the city or county, but there is a state wide permitting system. Also may need to look at other option other than TCEQ for enforcement.

Scott Nichols: Discussion regarding lack of enforcement from TCEQ.

David Parkhill: Would like to team up and make partnerships for water quality management.

Andy Isbell: Would like illegal dumping of solid wastes to be considered.

Jim Haymon: Discussion on cleaning up floating items in the lake.

Ronda Trow: Discussion on different events that will clean up debris and trash.

Bret Raley: Discussion on time line of WPP plan.

Bret Raley and others: Discussion regarding meeting schedule, locations, surrogates, and make up meetings.

David Parkhill: Discussion of future meeting activities, future programs and how to pay for them, and how we are going to implement a formal plan.

Bret Raley: Discussion regarding spokesperson from the group for addressing the SJRA board.

Ronda Trow: Discussed the group being able to offer feedback or questions at any time.

Michael Bleier: Thanked everyone for coming, commented on the great resource the lake is, and challenged everyone to give this group an opportunity to get to know the river authority and their purpose.

Lloyd Tisdale: Discussion on SJRA website to give everyone a better grasp of information.

Carol Reed: Discussion to look at what hasn't been done even if it's hard and not just what has been done.

CONCLUSIONS:

- ❖ Future meetings will be the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
- ❖ Informal Minutes will be taken at each meeting
- ❖ Send out future meeting agenda's with the invite
- ❖ Post WPP Power Points on the SJRA website
- ❖ Any discussions, topic requests, questions or comments should be emailed to Bret Raley