

SUMMARY NOTES FROM THE MARCH 8th, 2011 UAB MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT: CO-CHAIRPERSON ALICE RICHMOND, MICHAEL MONICAL, RAY KINDLEY, EDWARD KEONJIAN, BILL FRAZIER, JON MILLER, ERIK SIMSHAUSER, AND JIMMY WHYNOT.

AGENDA ITEM #1: CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS.

The meeting was called to order at 6:05pm. All of the above were present. Erik Simshauser was introduced as a new member of the UAB. He gave a little background information about himself.

AGENDA ITEM #2: APPROVE FEBRUARY 16TH, 2011 SUMMARY NOTES.

The notes were approved by all members.

AGENDA ITEM #3: NOMINATION OF OFFICERS.

Ray Kindley was nominated to the Chairman position and approved. Alice Richmond was nominated to the Co-Chairperson position and approved.

AGENDA ITEM #4: DISCUSS CITY COUNCIL DIRECTIVES: WATER INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE AND WATER RATE INCREASE.

Ray gave Erik a re-cap of the last UAB meeting to bring him up to date. Everyone reviewed the attached email from Kirsten Wyatt regarding the City Council's outcome statements. The council is looking in the direction of water infrastructure maintenance. The UAB is to recommend a plan to the council for maintenance and upgrading to West Linn's water system. A little more information was requested on this. Jim Whynot wasn't present at the council retreat where this was discussed so he was unable to provide more information. There was some discussion about the differences between the 2008 Water Master Plan and the 2004 Water Master Plan. Chairperson Kindley suggested getting a list of questions together that he can take to the council to ask for more direction and refinement to the council directives. Questions were discussed. Priority and timeline was discussed. What would the council like to see in the coming months? Is the UAB to prioritize or come up with one large plan? Is the council targeting a particular period to put this out again to the voters? If so, what ground work is needed in preparation for that? The importance of a timeline was discussed. Jim Whynot interjected that as far as he knew the plan right now was to go out to the voters in November for the Police building, and depending how the outcome of that goes, the council would then look at the next item. The attached City Council priorities were looked at. Discussion about why the water rate increase wasn't approved was revisited. A suggestion was made to break it up into three separate items vs., one huge rate plan;

1) reservoir; 2) water master plan, and 3) conservation rate structure. It was recommended to itemize the differences between the 2004/2008 water master plans to the voters as well. Further discussion proceeded regarding the failed ballot measure and how the UAB will move forward with this in a constructive manner in the future. It was asked what the legal issues are for the UAB specifically. On April 4th, 2011 there will be a training session for members of the West Linn Citizen Advisory Committees and Neighborhood Associations from 6-7:30pm at City Hall that should help answer some of the questions and concerns. Due to the UAB being under a city charter, are they unique in comparison to other advisory committees? Members agreed that some of these questions may be better answered at the training session.

AGENDA ITEM #5: DISCUSSION ABOUT THE FUTURE UAB MEETINGS BEING VIDEOED.

Some clarification in regards to the UAB being videoed was discussed. Will the next UAB meeting be televised? Beginning in May, the meetings will be held in the council chambers and videoed. Specific logistic discussion took place regarding microphones and videoing. Video conduct was brought up.

Erik wanted to know how to obtain a copy of the report as to why the ballot didn't pass last year. He was referred to Pat Rich for the information that may have been previously handed out at the UAB meetings.

AGENDA ITEM #6: ADJOURNMENT.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:11pm.