

Utah Lake Study Committee Meeting
 February 22, 2007
 Utah Lake State Park Visitor Center
 4400 West Center Street, Provo, Utah
 7:30 a.m.

ATTENDEES:

Members

Other Interested Parties

Mayor Lewis K. Billings, Provo
 Mayor Jerry Washburn, Orem
 Mayor Howard Johnson, Lehi
 Mayor Heber Thompson, American Fork
 Mayor Tim Parker, Saratoga Springs
 Mayor Randy Farnworth, Vineyard
 Mayor Bertis Bills, Payson
 Commissioner Larry Ellertson, Utah County
 Clyde Naylor, Utah County

Steve Schwendiman, Attorney Generals' Office
 Robert West, Provo
 Richard Hatfield, Provo
 Lane Gray, Orem
 Deon Giles, Pleasant Grove
 Lee Hansen, Saratoga Springs
 Barry Tripp, Forestry, Fire and State Lands
 Kris Beulow, JRSIP/CUWCD
 Sarah Sutherland, CUWCD
 Bob Fisher, SUVMWA
 Ty Hunter, Utah Lake State Park
 Steve Densley, Provo/Orem Chamber of Commerce
 Ron Kidd, Jordan Valley Water Conservation Distr.
 Joe Donaldson, Logan Simpson Design
 Helen Anderson, Utah Valley Homebuilders Assoc.
 Ken Culmone, Lakeshore resident/lake lover
 Dan Nelson, Mountain Association of Governments

1. Welcome and call to order. Mayor Billings.
2. Review and approve minutes of January 25, 2007 meeting. The minutes were approved as written.
3. General Reports

a. **Status of various approvals and authorizations for Interlocal Agreement.** The proposal was that the governing body of each entity that wanted to participate on the Utah Lake Commission approve the interlocal agreement, designate a member to the Commission and the Commission Technical Committee, and appropriate funding for the Commission budget. The following actions have been taken.

<u>Entity</u>	<u>Agreement</u>	<u>Funding</u>	<u>Appointments</u>
Provo	Approved	Approved	Mayor Billings to the Commission Greg Beckstrom to the Technical Committee
Saratoga Springs	Pending	Pending	No appointments made
American Fork	Approved	Approved	Mayor Thompson to the Commission Howard Denny to the Technical Committee

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Utah County	Approved	Approved	Commissioner Ellertson to the Commission (All Commissioners are welcome to attend meetings; three spaces on the signature page were requested.) Clyde Naylor to the Technical Committee
Pleasant Grove	Pending	Pending	Pending
Orem	Approved	Approved	Mayor Washburn to the Commission Bruce Chesnut to the Technical Committee
Vineyard	Pending	Pending	Pending
Lehi	Approved	Pending	Pending
Utah State	Approved by House/Senate	OK	DEQ and DNR
CUWCD	Approved	Approved	Pending
Genola	Approved	Approved	Pending
Lindon	Approved	Approved	Mayor Acerson to the Commission Adam Cowie to the Technical Committee
Springville	Approved	Pending	Pending
Woodland Hills	Considering	Considering	Considering
Santaquin	Considering	Considering	Considering
Payson			Ex officio
South Co. Mayors	Considering	Considering	Considering
SUVMWA			Possibly Ex Officio or member

A letter from entities expressing interest for Ex Officio status would be appropriate. The role of the Commission is to bring stakeholders together. Once the Commission is formed and organized, ex officio status entities will be considered. The Commission will have more value with the involvement of more entities, particularly in light of the potential thousands of dollars involved with the TMDL study impact. Entities were encouraged to stay involved while considering participation options.

4. Technical Committee Report

a. **TMDL update.** The TMDL study is complete and currently imposes no phosphorous limitations on wastewater treatment plants. Dave Wham, State DEQ, would like to make a 20 minute presentation to the committee as soon as possible.

5. Proposal for creation of two subcommittees

a. **Personnel Sub-Committee (5 plus members).** The purpose of this committee is to create a job description for the Executive Director and begin the recruiting process to hire an ED on or before July 1. There were no objections to forming the subcommittee. Mayor Parker agreed to chair the subcommittee with other members including Clyde Naylor, a representative from the Human Resources Department from Orem, a representative from the Utah Valley Homebuilders Association and possibly one more person.

b. **Bylaws Subcommittee (5 plus members).** There were no objections to forming this subcommittee to help with governance and practices of the Commission. It was suggested that the legal committee formed to provide the documents to organize and fund the Commission be the subcommittee to address the bylaws. Clyde Naylor agreed to chair the subcommittee with members including Steve Schwendiman (Utah State), Robert West (Provo), Kevin Bennett (American Fork), Court Griffin (Utah County) and Paul Johnson (Orem).

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to form the Personnel and Bylaws Subcommittees as discussed.

Any input on the bylaws should be forwarded to Clyde Naylor.

6. Project Proposal - “Noah’s Ark.” A request to make a presentation on this proposal was made to Mayor Billings. The position of the Study Committee has been to have a developer contact the jurisdiction in which the development would occur and then have the mayor or commissioner place the presentation on the agenda. (The process to get an item on the agenda could be included in the bylaws.) The developer, William Kunsman, was not present for the discussion. A handout was distributed that outlined the proposal. (On file at the Provo City Recorder’s Office.)

7. Proposed date, time, location for Interlocal Agreement signing event. This event will take place on Friday, March 9 at 11:00 a.m. at the Utah Lake State Park Visitor Center. Governor Huntsman will be present to sign the document creating the Utah Lake Commission. All entities were invited to have a representative available to sign the document. Lists of those to receive special invitation should be provided to the Provo City Mayor’s Office or the Provo City Recorder’s Office as soon as possible. A press packet should be provided to each community to use as needed to inform the public of this activity. Utah Lake historical items were requested for the signing.

8. Other business. Steve Densley will write a short letter of appreciation to Steve Clark, the legislator who sponsored the enabling documents for creation of the Commission.

Carp Update. Fishing is not occurring because the ice is too thick for boats and too thin for trucks. A management plan is being prepared to address contracts and contractors, payment, how to deal with the catch, the NEPA process, etc. A draft will be provided in a few months and will help in establishing an annual cost to operate the program.

A report on **Phragmites** was requested for the April meeting. Barry Tripp and Ty Hunter will coordinate the presentation.

Trail Update. Mayor Parker commented on trail issues in Saratoga Springs, particularly the ordinance that requires trails between housing projects. American Fork is considering a proposal for a hotel and condominium project near their harbor.

The staff at the Utah Lake State Park is working to mitigate the erosion and damage to the jetties created by the high water last year and provide a setting for local school children to become more familiar with the Lake and its surroundings. Relocation of the airport dike may link with the nature trail.

Utah County has a consultant working on the location for a trail from the Provo River to the Jordan River. Different parts of the trail are already built. The County is also considering whether a trail would be feasible on the top of a 60" pipeline that goes from Vineyard north to Eagle Mountain and Saratoga Springs and on to South Jordan.

Causeway Update. There is still interest in building a causeway. An organization has asked the County for \$500,000 to conduct a feasibility study. At some point, a report to the committee may be appropriate.

9. Public comment and questions. None.

10. Next meeting. The March 9 signing event will be the monthly meeting for March. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 19, 7:30 a.m. at the Utah Lake State Park Visitor Center.

11. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.