



Governing Board Meeting
Thursday, March 27, 2008, 7:30 A.M.
Historic County Courthouse Ballroom – 3rd floor
51 South University Avenue, Provo, Utah

ATTENDEES:

Members

Mayor Lewis K. Billings, Chairman
Commissioner Larry A. Ellertson, Vice-Chair
Reed Price, Utah Lake Commission
Don Blohm, Highland
Mayor Laurel Brady, Mapleton
Dick Buehler, Forestry, Fire & State Lands
Steve Densley, Provo/Orem Chamber
Gene Shawcroft, Central UT Water Conservancy District
Bob Fisher, Woodland Hills
Mayor Howard H. Johnson, Lehi
James Linford, Santaquin
Mike Morley, House of Representatives
Stephen Clark, House of Representatives
Dean F. Olsen, Springville
Mayor Timothy Parker, Saratoga Springs
Nathan Riley, Vineyard
Mayor Heber Thompson, American Fork
Michael Vail, Genola
Mayor Jerry Washburn, Orem
Walt Baker, UT Dept. of Environmental Quality

Other Interested Parties

Stephen Schwendiman, Attorney General's Office
Clyde Naylor, Utah County
Greg Beckstrom, Provo
David Grierson, Forestry, Fire & State Lands
Bruce Chesnut, Orem
Lee Barnes, Lehi
Michael Mills, JSRIP
H. Barry Tripp, Forestry, Fire & State Lands
Robert West, Provo
Reed Harris, Dept. of Natural Resources
Rick Cox, URS Corp
Nick Jones, Provo
John Hendrickson, Eagle Mountain
Catherine Smith, Deseret News
Joel Racker, UT Valley Convention & Visitors Bureau
Bryan Nield, Utah Crossing
Bob Craghead, Intrinsic Motivators
Marsha McLean, Visions of Utah Lake
Taylor Oldroyd, Utah County Realtors

ABSENT: Pleasant Grove, Utah Dept. of Natural Resources,

1. Welcome and call to order.

Chairman Billings welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:36 A.M. He expressed appreciation to those who attend the Governing Board meetings and particularly to those who drive a long way.

2. Review and approve the monthly financial report of the Commission for February 2008.

Chairman Billings asked if everyone had an opportunity to review the minutes from the February 28, 2008 meeting and invited discussion. Mr. Dick Buehler moved to approve the minutes and it was seconded by Gene Shawcroft. The minutes were approved.

3. Review and approve the monthly financial report of the Commission for February 2008.

Mr. Price reported on the financial report for the month ending February 29, 2008. The balance of the checking account was \$2,274.77. The balance of the Money Market account was \$221,077.16. He pointed out the expenses for the month and the remaining Budget Balances. Chairman Billings opened the floor to any questions and stated that there is 33% of the fiscal year remaining and that the finances seem to be on a good track. Mr. Price stated that expenses have not yet been expended for the Master Plan, but those payments will be paid shortly. Commissioner Ellertson moved to approve the monthly financial report as presented. The motion was seconded by Mayor Howard H. Johnson. Motion carried.

4. Report from the Technical Committee.

Mr. Bruce Chesnut, Chairman of the Technical Committee, acknowledged those present and many of those in attendance from the Technical Committee. He reported that the Technical Committee had a good meeting on March 24, 2008. At that meeting many issues were discussed affecting the process of Utah Lake, specifically the Master Plan.

Members of the Technical Committee received a copy of the Statement of Current Conditions and they are reviewing them specifically as it relates to the assignments they have on committees. The Technical Committee has four Subcommittees and the Chairmen of those Subcommittees are 1) Rod Despain – Land Use, 2) Ty Hunter – Recreation, 3) Chris Keleher – Natural Resources and, 4) Clyde Naylor – Transportation. The subcommittees will be meeting within the next two weeks to discuss the Statement of Current Conditions of the Master Plan and will be meeting with the consultants. They will be reviewing the specific items that relate to their subcommittee assignments and the report overall.

The Technical Committee is preparing to attend the Open Houses that the consultant has scheduled in Lehi on April 2 and in Provo on April 3 and also the Visioning Workshop on April 24.

At the request of the Executive Committee the Technical Committee had quite a discussion regarding special interest groups and made some recommendations to Mr. Price. Mr. Price will be reporting on that discussion in another agenda item.

They welcomed Jeff Niermeyer to his first Technical Committee meeting as representative for Water Rights and Water Users. Mr. Niermeyer is the Director of Public Utilities for Salt Lake City.

Mr. Chesnut welcomed any questions as he concluded his report. Chairman Billings stated that the success or demise of the Commission largely rests on work of the Technical Committee and expressed appreciation for their work and what they are facilitating. He mentioned that the Water Users are a lot of different entities that wanted to have a voice in the Commission. The Commission asked them to organize themselves and choose one representative to represent their multiple organizations. They did that in a constructive and productive way. Of course, everyone is welcome to be involved in this process but there are limits on those who can sit at the table and vote.

Before continuing, Chairman Billings asked those who were at the meeting for the first time to introduce themselves. Mayor Laurel Brady from Mapleton introduced herself and expressed her happiness to be on the Board. Chairman Billings then asked the visitors to introduce themselves. Those listed as Interested Parties introduced themselves.

5. Report from the Executive Director.

Mr. Price reported that the Commission has a lot going on with the Master Plan being a big project which will be discussed as the next item on the agenda.

The Utah Lake Festival has been set for Saturday, June 7th. The JSRIP has sponsored a festival each year to promote their objectives of protecting and recovering the June Sucker. The Commission is going to work

with them this year to make the Festival even more successful and get additional exposure for the Lake, the June Sucker Program, and the Commission. The Executive Committee asked Mr. Price to assemble an ad hoc committee of representatives of different cities. Many cities had already referred some names of people who they felt could assist him in brainstorming some activities that could be included in the Festival. One of the suggestions was to have the Commission sponsor a pancake breakfast which would be held that morning. Elected officials from around Utah County and their families would be invited to that breakfast where goals for the JSRIP and the Commission would be discussed. It is hoped that the Commission members will help prepare and serve the breakfast. Mr. Price will be drafting and sending a letter explaining what help is needed.

The Executive Committee discussed what other types of activities would draw people to attend the Festival. In the past they have had booths sponsored by state agencies with presentations and waterskiing demonstrations. Both the JSRIP and the ad hoc committee agreed that one thing that draws attendance is food. In other years they have asked vendors to come but the numbers haven't been great enough to entice vendors. The Committee has suggested that food booths give away food rather than selling food and by advertising such it would excite people to come down to the Lake for the Festival. The food items that have been suggested are hot dogs, cotton candy, popcorn, snow cones, etc. The Commission does not have the budget to sponsor all these food items so they suggested that each city or combinations of cities sponsor a food item booth. A couple of cities have already volunteered to donate hot dogs and snow cones. The Festival Committee would also like to have some activity booths. Last year the JSRIP put together a booth where children could make a hat out of a cardboard June Sucker fish and then were able to decorate them with crayons, feathers and other craft items. He requested that Commission members approach their cities and discuss what type of support they can offer. It is recommended that cities go in with other cities to make their booths cost effective. One individual has approached the Committee to organize a sailboat regatta. Another idea is to offer fishing merit badges. Mr. Price will include all these suggestions in the letter that will be sent to the Board members. He expressed hope that all members will be interested and help to make the Festival a success.

In summary, the Utah Lake Festival Committee is asking the Commission members to participate in the pancake breakfast in preparation and serving. The Executive Committee will be looking for a sponsor to help fund that activity or find funds that are available. They are also asking the members to interest their organization in sponsoring a food or activity booth. Details will be sent in a forthcoming letter.

Chairman Billings asked what time should be calendered to assist with the breakfast and the booths. Mr. Price said it isn't set yet, but the breakfast would probably begin around 8:30 which would probably require starting preparations around 7:00 A.M. Booths will be open between 10:00 A.M. and about 2:00 P.M. It was mentioned that June 7th is also National Trails Day. Mr. Blohm asked how many people should be anticipated. Mr. Reed Harris, JSRIP, said last year they had around 1,000 people and they should plan for about the same amount.

Mr. Mills commented that they are thrilled that the Commission is going to be a part of the Festival. JSRIP believes it will get better and better in the future and it will help the communities come together. Mr. Price said it's a good opportunity for cities to promote their municipality. Mr. Densley inquired whether there was a possibility of issuing free fishing permits for that day. Mr. Harris confirmed it will be a free fishing day. Chairman Billings commented that the Festival sounds like it can be an incredible event. Cities can promote the event by including information in their utility bills and newsletters. In the next few weeks cities will need a display ad from the Festival committee to use as advertising. Any additional ideas are welcome and should be forwarded to Mr. Price.

Mr. Price stated that he understands that it is budget time for all the municipalities and he wanted to give everyone an idea of what to expect for next year's budget. In the packet everyone received prior to the meeting was included a three page proposed budget for the Commission for next year which includes the portions of the budget that each municipality will be assigned. The proposed budget at this point is

\$319,200 and on page one it shows how that budget is divided amongst the accounts. On the second page it lists what the portion for each municipality will be based on population, shoreline and area. It also shows what last year's portion was and indicates if there is a change for next year. If there was a change it is probably due to population growth. The State and the Central Utah Conservancy Water District budgets are listed as well.

The last page in the handout is a budget forecast showing what is expected to be remaining this fiscal year that can be applied to the Master Plan. There was \$85,000 budgeted for the Master Plan and it looks like there should be about \$70,000 of unused Commission funds remaining. That will leave about an additional \$60,000 that will need to be budgeted for next year. The budget hasn't been set yet, but it has been projected that everyone will be budgeted close to what they were last year. Discussion of the budget will be discussed in a later meeting.

Chairman Billings confirmed that the purpose of these handouts is to give everyone preliminary comment on the budget with no action expected today. He verified that once the budget has been set the Commission is legally required to publically announce the budget for thirty days before it can be approved. The Executive Committee has reviewed this proposed budget in depth and wanted the Commission members to have some time to review it. They have set certain goals and want to have a reserve. He commented that Mr. Price has done a nice job with the categorization. Any feedback should be sent to Mr. Price within the next two weeks.

Mr. Price reported that he had attended the Utah Water Users Conference in St. George and gave a presentation on the Commission that was well received. His session was attended by 65-70 people. Many people came to him with questions and ideas about the Commission; in particular there was interest in eliminating phragmites. One particular individual from the Department of Agriculture was excited to see the Commission's interest in the removal of phragmites. The Commission will be working with him and other interested parties to help find a solution to get rid of this invasive, non-native species.

Mr. Densley commented that he noticed in the news that in North Salt Lake, the Willard Bay area, they were going out and burning the phragmites. He questioned whether that was an option for Utah Lake. Mr. Price said that doesn't completely take care of them but is the first step. Mr. Naylor added that after they burn the phragmites to get rid of the bulk then they spray. Mr. Buehler said the Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands puts together and executes the burn plans. The Duck Clubs, especially those run by Division of Wildlife Resources in Ogden Bay, have the ability to control the water. Ogden Bay is going to burn about 3,000 acres in a few weeks. The process is they burn the phragmites and then they take the water away and then they spray them, basically killing the vegetation. They then replant preferred plant species. There is not an ability to control the water level with Utah Lake. Mr. Naylor mentioned that Utah County has applied for a burn permit and will be burning within the next few weeks an area west of Geneva. Mr. Buehler stated that Utah County is doing some studies south of the Lindon Marina in some small plots of burning and spraying. He said that there are a lot of people dealing with the phragmite problem not just in Utah. He was in Cape Cod a few years ago and they had a phragmite problem and it is a national problem. There are various options and a lot of studies going on.

Mayor Howard H. Johnson asked where the phragmites originated. Mr. Buehler answered that there are two types of phragmites. One type was native to Utah. Some genetic studies were done about two years ago in association with Utah State University and they found another type of plant on the west side that had originated in the Mediterranean which was probably brought in by boat and then spread like the tamarisk. Mr. Price commented that at the St. George conference they had a session on invasive species particularly the quagga mussel and the zebra mussel which they suspect may now be in Lake Powell. They are taking preventative measures to stop it from spreading. He suggested being aware of those species in regard to Utah Lake.

The Lake Commission has received a few requests from special interests groups to become Ex-Officio members. In accordance with the Interlocal Agreement groups are allowed to petition to become Ex-Officio

members. The Executive Committee discussed how to continue doing this without making the organization too large and unmanageable. They requested that he take the discussion to the Technical Committee and in that discussion the consensus was that the model used for the Utah Lake Water Users was the most workable. All the water user groups got together and chose one representative. The Technical Committee put forth a motion that the forthcoming Public Open Houses be used to gauge the environmental groups that are interested. Once a list is assembled Mr. Price will facilitate some discussion to determine who would best represent the environmental interests of Utah Lake. With the approval of that motion Mr. Price felt it important to bring this issue to the Governing Board for discussion and any direction.

Chairman Billings commented that the goal over the years has been to try and invite everyone and anyone who is interested to participate. However, not everyone can be on the Board even though they are welcome and can be heard at the meetings.

Mayor Timothy Parker clarified that the discussion is in regard to non-governmental special interests groups. He summarized that the Commission is encouraging those groups who have expressed an interest in belonging to the Commission to organize and select from amongst themselves a representative for environmental, non-government groups. He asked who is on the Commission who can be categorized as environmental representatives. Mr. Price answered that the Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands, and Department of Natural Resources would represent the governmental side.

Chairman Billings stated that everyone in the Commission with their various jurisdictions try to represent the diverse interests of their stakeholders. However, some groups may feel they have more factual information. Mr. Price replied that the recommendation from the Technical Committee is the direction with which he plans to proceed.

In concluding his report, Mr. Price reviewed that at the last Governing Board meeting there had been a discussion on the procurement policy and the procedure that would be followed when advertising for bids. Upon request, Mr. Schwendiman researched that it is acceptable for the Commission to choose to advertise only on the Internet if desired. Commissioner Ellertson asked if the Commission has the option to decide on the particular mediums of advertisement for each separate bid. Mr. Schwendiman stated that each bid can be advertised in whatever medium chosen and that the Commission is not locked into any particular set standard. The state procurement code makes advertising in the newspaper optional and mostly uses the Internet. The only example he could find that was an issue is if there was any kind of discrimination such as the Internet not being accessible to the blind.

Mr. Price said that in the current policy it states that the Commission will advertise both in the newspaper and on the Internet. Chairman Billings stated that it seemed to be the consensus of the Governing Board that they would like the option of choosing in which medium to advertise and the policy may need to be amended.

Mr. Nathan Riley asked in returning to the discussion in regard to Ex-Officio members, if they would sit on the Governing Board or on the Technical Committee. Chairman Billings stated that the Water Users will have a representative only on the Technical Committee. The Board makes that decision depending on the circumstance.

Representative Steve Clark questioned if there is a strategic plan for getting things accomplished. There was discussion. It was answered that the Master Plan will establish a strategic plan and timeline.

6. Update on the Master Planning Process.

Mr. Price reported that the Technical Committee, Subcommittees and the Consultants are working together to move the Master Plan along. He introduced Mr. Rick Cox, Project Manager, to conduct this agenda item. Mr. Cox addressed the Board and stated that this was his first report on the Master Plan. He reported on some of the items that have been accomplished. They have made modifications to the existing website.

Pages have been added for the Master Plan, Interim documents and public comment. Those pages have been created and are starting to populate.

The announcements and press releases for the Open Houses on April 2, and 3 have been prepared and submitted. He invited anyone who would like to officiate at the Open Houses in an official matter to contact him or Mr. Price. He requested that those who wish to officiate familiarize themselves with the Existing Conditions Report.

The Existing Conditions Report is a Draft Preliminary Document. The goal is to get to a Final Preliminary and then to a Final Report that will be drafted into the Master Plan document. The Draft Preliminary Document is still open for discussion. He tries to encourage his staff to keep the document as brief and succinct as possible. It won't be useful if it's too large.

He presented the maps that have been prepared for the Open Houses and stated that they are also included in the Existing Conditions Report. There are some additional boards that haven't been prepared yet. Those relate to issues that in regard to the six elements; Land Use, Natural Resources, Recreation, Public Facilities, Transportation and Shoreline Protection. These boards will be at the Open Houses to stimulate comments from the public and let them see what others have said as well. He stated that he would be available after the Governing Board meeting to answer any questions.

Mr. Fisher asked if the material on the boards is available on the Internet. Mr. Cox said they intend to add them to the Utah Lake Commission's website. He said they can put them on the Interim page before they are finalized. Mr. Price offered to burn a copy for anyone in the meantime. They will be on the website within a week. They are sizeable files and are PDF files.

Mayor Thompson asked how Mr. Cox would like comments on the maps and report sent. Mr. Cox requested all feedback be sent to Mr. Price and then they will be forwarded on to him. Written comments are the most useful and then Mr. Cox can respond and forward them on to the correct staff members.

Chairman Billings asked if the public will have an opportunity to make comments at the Open Houses. Mr. Cox said they will have comment sheets and collect them at the Open Houses.

Chairman Billings stated that the Council of Governments has voted to have their monthly meeting at the April 3 Open House.

Representative Clark asked about a certain section on one of the maps marked "Highly Sensitive". Mr. Cox explained that some of the information on the maps has been obtained from databases and they hope to clarify those questions as they meet with the specialists on the subcommittees.

Mr. Buehler requested time to look at the maps before making comments. Mr. Cox agreed that the maps are critical and that it may be more important to look at the maps than the report. The maps and the document will be at the Visioning Workshop for reference. Mr. Buehler requested a meeting to discuss the maps with the consultants in accordance with the Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands (FFSL). Mr. Cox said that he would have Richard Butler contact him directly. The FFSL representative on the subcommittee is Dave Grierson. Mr. Price stated that there is a meeting scheduled for Monday, March 31 with the Steering Committee and the Chairmen of the Subcommittees to go through the report thoroughly. Dave Grierson will be attending and Mr. Price invited Mr. Buehler to come too.

Mayor Thompson commented that there are some highly controversial elements that he feels should be more liberal. Apparently others have made similar comments and Mr. Cox said they will be making some changes. He requested that Mayor Thompson make his suggestions in writing. Mr. Price can then review them and they can make adjustments before the maps are viewed by the public. Chairman Billings suggested that a date should be set as a deadline for comments. Mr. Cox requested that the Interim page be used on the website even though the public would have access to those.

Mr. Price said that he had burned CD's for the Steering Committee. He voiced his preference that the maps not be put on the website and available to the public before changes have been made. It was decided that the Steering Committee will set a deadline at their meeting on Monday and Mr. Price will notify everyone of

that date. Mayor Parker asked if the hardcopy maps would be available. They will be in the Commission office. The Governing Board already has the report without the maps.

Chairman Billings asked Mr. Cox to respond to Representative Clark in regard to a timeline.

Mr. Cox used an example of the phragmites issue to respond. He said that there had been discussion about the phragmites for over a year. He suspects that at the Visioning Workshop that issue will be addressed and a schedule will come out of that Workshop to conduct a process to eliminate the phragmites. As part of the Master Plan there will be an implementation schedule of how to get to the Vision of Utah Lake for each category. Some of the issues might be difficult to schedule but the intent of the Master Plan is to have an implementation plan with a schedule. The final Master Plan is due at the end of December, 2008. Chairman Billings restated that the Master Plan is set up to provide a timeline "to get things done."

Representative Mike Morley substantiated Representative Clark's concern that the Commission identify the vision of Utah Lake quickly and move forward with implementation of the plans that will achieve that vision. Mr. Cox said that the challenge is that this Commission is not positioned to implement some of the necessary steps that are needed to achieve the vision. Representative Morley said that the Commission does have the funds now allocated to them for necessary studies that are preliminary to achieving these goals. It has been his experience that many times government officials can pontificate and talk for years about projects and yet not make significant progress. He stated that the Commission needs to find some "To Do" items and move forward on them.

Mayor Parker stated it is his understanding that the Commission is a perpetual Commission. The Master Plan will be a catalyst for projects and he anticipates there will be many things to do in the future. The Commission is an organization for lifetime.

Representative Clark reviewed that three million dollars has been pooled together by the Legislature from many different areas and allocated to the Commission. He expects that the Commission will want to jump on the money issued and show results. The Commission needs to decide how this money is going to be spent and move on some big issues. He strongly feels there is a need to get a jump on the money issued and show productivity.

Mr. Buehler said that it is required by law for his division to put together a plan for Utah Lake. The Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands actually started in 2005 to put together a plan for the future of Utah Lake and then the Commission was organized. The Master Plan will now meet the State mandate and it will produce targets and timelines on how to get there. With this Master Plan being completed by the end of the year, Mr. Buehler expressed that he thinks things are in line to do exactly what is expected.

Mr. Densley has heard many people approach the Chamber with questions about the causeway. He wondered if the money allocated from the Legislature was for the causeway study. It was answered that part of it is going to be used with UDOT for transportation issues. The Commission will be coordinating and orchestrating anything that is associated with the Lake so that it has a strategic flow. This is just the first step. The work will continue for many years to come.

Mr. Cox summarized the key dates to remember are the Open Houses on April 2 in Lehi and April 3 at the Utah Lake State Park in Provo. On April 24 will be the Visioning Workshop which will meet for about three to four hours and will be held at the Justice Court Building in Room 1600. On Monday, March 3 the Steering Committee and Subcommittee Chairmen will be meeting.

Chairman Billings thanked everyone for all their hard work. He emphasized that there are multiple opportunities for representation on subcommittees for every entity and he encouraged everyone to do so. He inserted that Michael Styler had asked to be excused from today's meeting.

7. Discuss and consider approval of Eagle Mountain's request to become an Ex-Officio member.

Mr. Price reported that several months ago he was contacted by Mayor Heather Jackson, a newly elected official of Eagle Mountain who said they were interested in learning more about the Commission and in joining. She asked for additional information and expressed a desire to have Eagle Mountain City join the

Commission. After much debate with their Council it was requested that Mr. Price visit their Council meeting and discuss the Commission with them. Last week he went to Eagle Mountain and talked to them about the goals and objectives of the Utah Lake Commission. Some of the council members were still hesitant in joining the Commission. The main issue was based on the funding structure. Eagle Mountain is the largest city in Utah County in area and therefore, with the current rate structure, they would be assessed a large percentage. They do recognize that the Commission is valuable. Mr. Price introduced Mr. John Hendrickson who is the City Administrator of Eagle Mountain City. Mayor Jackson requested that Mr. Hendrickson come to the Board meeting and represent Eagle Mountain as they have asked to become an Ex-Officio member. Mr. Hendrickson explained that four out of the five positions on the Eagle Mountain City Council were newly elected this year. Since they are new council members they are a little bit cautious.

Eagle Mountain has a population of about 23,000 people and is about 48 square miles. Because the land area is a configuration of the membership financial obligation, their membership allocation is large. They do want to know more. Mayor Jackson and Mr. Hendrickson are in favor of joining the Commission and hope to reschedule this on their Council agenda soon. Even though the motion to join the Commission was not approved, the vote was very close. They know that many of the Commission's issues will affect Eagle Mountain and they at least want to be Ex-Officio members.

Mayor Johnson suggested that since much of Eagle Mountain's area is really not useable land maybe the Commission could evaluate their membership by calculating a smaller land area figure according to the useable land. He feels the Commission has a need for Eagle Mountain and they want to be members. As an example, he pointed out that Eagle Mountain's fee would be one-third the cost of Orem and, yet, they have a population of one-fifth of Orem. He suggested the specifics be changed so that they join the Board. Chairman Billings stated that the Executive Committee had reviewed this and wanted to compliment Mr. Hendrickson and Mayor Jackson on their work. The consensus of the Executive Committee was to refrain from altering the membership allocation. He pointed out that while Eagle Mountain is being assessed for a large land mass they are not being assessed any fees for shoreline as are some cities. He proposed that Eagle Mountain be granted Ex-Officio membership status for one year and then re-assess the probability of full membership at that time.

Mr. Hendrickson emphasized that they understand the importance of the Lake Commission and their goals. He emphasized that if Mayor Jackson or himself had a vote the outcome would have been entirely different. Mayor Parker moved that Eagle Mountain be accepted as an Ex-Officio member of the Utah Lake Commission immediately and reconsider the status in one year. Commissioner Ellertson seconded the motion.

Mr. Walt Baker questioned exactly what Ex-Officio means. It was answered that an Ex-Officio member does not have a seat at the table. They participate and engage in activities but they do not have a vote in decision making. Mr. Robert West concurred and said the explanation is well stated in the Articles of the Commission.

Mr. Hendrickson interjected that he and Mayor Jackson would hope to revisit the status sooner than one year. He felt once the Council has more education the position would probably change. He asked if the Commission would allow them to be reconsidered prior to a date of one year.

Representative Clark asked what the assessment for Eagle Mountain would be and it was answered about \$10,000 per year. Mr. Price said the Commission proposed to Eagle Mountain that the fee could be pro-rated at \$7,500 for this year. Seventy-five percent of the fee is based on area and only about 25% is based on population.

Mr. Hendrickson stated that the newly elected Council has not yet been in office for a budget session yet. He thinks once they do that they will see the Commission fees with a different perspective.

The motion was restated that the Commission approves Eagle Mountain as an Ex-Officio member for up to one year and then the status be revisited.

A vote was then taken on the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Billings asked Mr. Hendrickson to send a letter of who will be representing them. Mr. Naylor told Mr. Hendrickson that as an Ex-Officio member they are invited to send a representative to the Technical Committee and any of its Subcommittees.

Mr. Price was requested to send a summary of possible positions to Eagle Mountain.

8. Discuss and consider appointment of Utah Lake Water Users representative to the Technical Committee.

Mr. Price addressed the group saying that in the Interlocal Agreement it states who can be members of the Technical Committee. There is a representative from each of the municipalities and agencies that belong to the Commission. Some additional representatives have been added who have expertise that was needed for the Committee. Those include representation from the Division of Parks and Recreation and the Division of Water Resources. The Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands has a voting position on the Governing Board and on the Technical Committee. It was written in the Agreement that the Division of Parks and Recreation would have a representative at least on the Technical Committee. A representative for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers was also added. There has been one spot that was allotted for the Technical Committee that has been unassigned and that was to the Utah Lake Water Users.

In Article 12, Section 12.1.6 in regard to representatives who can be appointed it states, "One appointed representative of the Utah Lake Water Users, as determined by the group." Late last year Mr. Price was contacted by Mr. Richard Bay from the Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District (JVWCD) and said they were interested in working with the Commission. Mr. Price told him there was a spot on the Technical Committee and asked him to get the group together and select one representative for all of them. Mr. Bay got together with the Metropolitan Water District of Salt Lake & Sandy and Kennecott. They felt that was a good representation of Salt Lake Valley and Utah Lake Water Users. They selected Mr. Jeff Niermeyer who is the recently appointed Director of Public Utilities of Salt Lake City. He also serves on the Chairman of the Board of the Canal Presidents which is a group of the five early priority water rights holders of Utah Lake Water Users.

Mr. Price presented Mr. Jeff Niermeyer's name to the Board for their approval to be on the Technical Committee representing the Utah Lake Water Users.

Chairman Billings noted that the Technical Committee and the Executive Committee both endorse this approval.

Mr. Shawcroft moved to approve the motion and Mr. Baker seconded. Motion carried.

9. Other Business.

Chairman Billings asked if there was any other business. He reminded everyone that should they have any business for the agenda of these meetings they should contact Mr. Price or Chairman Billings.

Mr. Densley said that the maps that he passed out from the Chamber of Commerce are probably the most comprehensive maps of Utah County available to the County. He thanked Mr. Naylor and his team at the County for their excellent work. All the news streets are included.

10. Confirm that the next meeting will be held at the Historic Utah County Courthouse Ballroom on Thursday, April 24, 2008 at 7:30 AM.

Having concluded the agenda business, Chairman Billings reminded everyone of the next Governing Board meeting schedule.

11. Adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:04 A.M.