



Orange Water and Sewer Authority

A public, non-profit agency providing water, sewer and reclaimed water services to the Carrboro-Chapel Hill community.

Summary of the OWASA Board of Directors' Meeting on April 8, 2010

Please note: The summary below was prepared by OWASA staff and is not approved by the OWASA Board. Audio recordings of the OWASA Board's meetings and the Board's official minutes, when adopted, are available to citizens for review. Videotapes of OWASA Board meetings in the Chapel Hill Town Hall on the fourth Thursdays of the month are also available.

The OWASA Board of Directors:

- **Adopted the Long-Range Water Supply Plan Final Report.** Key points of the plan, which was the subject of a community meeting on November 11, 2009, include:
 - ✓ The 25 percent reduction in water use achieved by all customers since 2002 *must be sustained in the future in order to realize the positive findings of the Report.* To that end, OWASA will continue to promote conservation and efficiency through customer awareness and education, targeted technical assistance, etc.
 - ✓ Our locally protected water supplies can meet most expected needs for the next 50 years under most circumstances, but we will still need the "insurance policy" of Jordan Lake in case of severe drought, critical facility failure, or other unforeseen/emergency situation. It is essential that we retain our Jordan Lake water supply allocation and acquire cost-effective access to it.
 - ✓ OWASA will work cooperatively with the local elected boards to amend the 2001 *Water and Sewer Management, Planning, and Boundary Agreement* as needed to resolve any unnecessary constraints on access to our Jordan Lake allocation.
- **Received a report on the Finance Committee's meetings on March 29th and April 6th** including discussion of the draft budget for the coming fiscal year from July, 2010 through June 2011. The Board of Directors will be asked to consider adopting a preliminary budget on April 28th and setting the date for the annual public hearings on the proposed budget, capital program and rates.
- **Received a report on the Human Resources Committee's meeting on April 1st** including discussion of an administrative guide for outreach to minority-owned businesses in OWASA's contracting and purchasing processes, costs for health and dental insurance in Fiscal year 2011, and potential funding for merit increases for employees.
- **Recognized Ms. Stephanie S. Glasgow, OWASA's Interim Director of Human Resources.**

For more information, please see the agenda materials on our website, www.owasa.org. The next scheduled meeting of the OWASA Board will be on Thursday, April 22nd at 7 PM in the Chapel Hill Town Hall, 405 Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard.