



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 May 12, 2011

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. Video recordings of OWASA Board meetings in the Chapel Hill Town Hall on the fourth Thursdays of the month are also available.

- **The Board reviewed the actions of and comments by the Towns of Chapel Hill, Carrboro and Hillsborough and Orange County regarding OWASA's request to clarify the Water and Sewer Management, Planning and Boundary Agreement (WSMPBA). OWASA asked for the clarification to ensure that Orange County, the Town of Hillsborough and OWASA will have timely, cost-effective access to their Jordan Lake water allocations.**

The OWASA Board decided to send a letter and resolution to the Mayors of Carrboro and Chapel Hill regarding the OWASA Board's current perspective on these issues. The OWASA Board will have further discussion on May 26th.

- **After discussion, OWASA Chair Gordon Merklein appointed a committee to make nominations for the annual election of officers in July.**
- **The Board approved contracts with Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina (BCBSNC) for health, dental, life, disability and accidental death/dismemberment insurance in the year that will begin on July 1.** The cost of health insurance will increase 2% and dental will decrease 11.5%. Other insurance costs will decrease slightly.
- **The Board approved changes in compensation of Board Members and the Chair effective on July 1st.** Board Members will receive \$50 for attending work sessions and committee meetings as well as for attending Board meetings. The Chair of OWASA will receive \$250 per month regardless of the number of OWASA meetings attended.

For more information, please see the agenda materials on the OWASA webpage at <http://www.owasa.org/about/board-meetings.aspx>. The OWASA Board's next scheduled business meeting will be on Thursday, May 26th at 7 PM in the Chapel Hill Town Hall, 405 Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard.

