

 The logo for the Lake County Clean Water Program features a stylized green mountain range with a blue sky and white clouds above it. Below the mountains, the text "Lake County" is written in a blue, sans-serif font, and "Clean Water Program" is written in a smaller, blue, sans-serif font below that. The entire logo is enclosed in a blue oval border.	<p>Meeting Summary Lake County Clean Water Program Advisory Council Wednesday, October 26, 2011 Board of Supervisors Chambers 255 N. Forbes Street Lakeport, CA</p>
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Council Members - Attendance:

County of Lake:

- Rob Brown, Supervisor District V (VM) – Chair
- Richard Coel, Community Development Director (SWPC) (VM)

City of Clearlake

- Bob Galusha, City Engineer (SWPC) (VM)

City of Lakeport

- Andrew Britton, Planning Services Manager
- Suzanne Lyons, City Council (AM)

Others present:

Jeff Smith, Supervisor District II, Scott DeLeon, Lake County Public Works Director, Gary Hansen, LC Water Resources Engineer Steve Stangland, LC DPW, Dave Jezek, LC Chief Building Official, Will Evans, Asst. Resource Planner, Danae Bowen, LC CDD and Betsy Cawn, LC Resident

2:05 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Rob Brown, Supervisor District V, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and announced that he would have to leave the meeting at 2:30.

Discuss and Consider Transfer of County Clean Water Program Administration from Community Development Department to Department of Public Works, Water Resources Division and Authorize Staff to Develop a Transition Plan

Richard Coel, LC CDD Director, spoke to the transitioning of this program to the Department of Public Works, Water Resources Division, which will take place sometime in 2012. He advised that there be a formal discussion with the Council to make sure all are in agreement, before it is taken to the Board of Supervisors. He said he has a list of reasons why it is not appropriate that the entirety of this program be administered by the Community Development Department, but he strongly believed that the Community Development Department should retain ownership of the Construction and Post-Construction portions for the County and to continue to write those chapters and draft those sections then forward them to the Water Resources Division for the Annual Report.

Supervisor Brown spoke to the forming and history of this committee, which dealt more with grading ordinance issues and pointed out that there was not a Water Resources Division when the committee was formed. He said if the Advisory Council agrees, then this may be the direction this program needs to go and the Board of Supervisors will have to make sure that resources are available. He felt that the Department of Public Works is a better fit for this program.

Scott De Leon, LC DPW Director, commented that the Annual Report being prepared by the Water Resources Department makes better sense than the Community Development Department. He said there are funding and personnel issues that they will need time to work out. He agreed that this will need to be a group department effort, especially with changes on site specific requirements.

Dave Jezek, LC Chief Building Official, pointed out that there is more Public Works activity than you think involved with Construction and Post-Construction, because of road repair and rebuilding.

Mr. De Leon said there will be challenges to work through and address new requirements in the transition period.

Mr. Coel suggested keeping the LC Chief Building Official as the Chairperson of the Construction and Post-Construction working group. He said the Community Development Department is happy to continue to commit to that, if it is the will of the Advisory Council.

Supervisor Brown said the bottom line is the testing, monitoring and protection of the lake.

Suzanne Lyons, City of Lakeport, thought that it made sense for this program to be transitioned to the Water Resources Division.

Bob Galusha, City of Clearlake, said that the transition sounds logical to him and noted that there will be a learning curve.

Mr. Coel said the transition will be a process and both the Community Development and Public Works Departments will be side by side putting together the annual report.

Betsy Cawn, LC Citizen, asked that the Committee utilize public participation in developing outreach and education in public involvement.

Bob Galusha moved, 2nd by Andrew Britton to TRANSFER COUNTY CLEAN WATER PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION FROM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT TO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, WATER RESOURCES DIVISION AND AUTHORIZE STAFF TO DEVELOP A TRANSITION PLAN. (All were in favor).

Review and Approve Draft Meeting Minutes from May 18th Meeting

Andrew Britton moved, 2nd by Bob Galusha to APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MAY 18, 2011. (All were in favor).

Updates Concerning Activities of the Workgroups

Ms. Lyons noted that there was a change in staff from Dan Buffalo to Andrew Britton on the Public Education, Outreach and Participation workgroup. She said that cleanups and radio outreach have been accomplished, but have not been reported. She hoped that these things can be documented as they happen.

Mr. Coel suggested keeping a log of what is being done and report at the quarterly Clean Water Council meetings, so that it can be included in the minutes. He said from his perspective, he would like to see the Chairperson to the PEOP & PIP Workgroup be a representative from one of the cities or a volunteer.

Betsy Cawn, member of the Clearlake Advisory Committee, stated that she has been an outreach volunteer for this committee since July 2009. She said she is happy to volunteer as the Chairperson to the PEOP & PIP Workgroup.

Ms. Lyons felt that the outreach committee is very important, and again shared her concerns that it is not being effectively recorded.

Mr. Coel said that the task for the Chairperson is to coordinate the meetings, preferably on the same day as the Advisory Council meetings. He said there are not any resources for website development or enhancement, because there are staffing issues. He said they need someone who is dynamic and knows what the issues are and can get out, collect data and report back to this group.

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Ms. Lyons said that there needs to be a report that shows that things are getting done and people knowing what they should or shouldn't be doing in regards to the lake. She said information needs to be out to the people.

Andrew Britton moved, 2nd by Bob Galusha to NOMINATE BETSY CAWN AS THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE PEOP & PIP WORKGROUP. (All were in favor).

Consideration of Appointment of new Chairperson to IDDE & MUNI Workgroup.

Steve Stangland, LC DPW Road Superintendent, said that he did not have a problem with continuing as the Chairperson to the MUNI Workgroup, but he said he has never done anything with the Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) portion of it, because it is so far out of his job purview and it does not fit in well with the MUNI side of it. He said he did not know where to begin with the IDDE.

Mr. Jezek said that IDDE does not have anything to do with him or the people he represents. He also said he would not know where to begin.

Mr. Stangland said the IDDE seems more like enforcement than it does from the Municipal Public Works side of it.

Mr. Jezek said he does building inspections, not water resources enforcement.

Mr. DeLeon asked if there any one in the County that does enforcement for water quality issues.

Mr. Coel said that the Community Development Department does grading enforcement. He suggested involving Ray Ruminski, Environmental Health and Mark Dillinger, Special Districts into the IDDE workshops. He agreed that the IDDE portion needs to have its own workshop and said that a meeting should be coordinated with these two gentlemen to educate them on the issues and give them information about what is working and what the requirements are, so that they have some role in this and to come back at the next meeting with an agenda item to discuss the possibility of setting up a fourth working group and separating IDDE and MUNI and getting a representative from one of those agencies to be the Chairperson.

Open Public Comment Period

Betsy Cawn discussed the Storm Water Management Plan.

Review of Outcomes and Agree on Next Steps

Agenda item with IDDE – MUNI issues.

Next meeting date - 3rd Wednesday in January 2012 @2p.m.

Adjournment – 3:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Danae Bowen
LC CDD, OA III