



**COMMISSION
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

Thursday, October 23, 2008, 7:30 A.M.
Historic Utah County Courthouse-3rd floor
51 South University Avenue, Provo, Utah

ATTENDEES:

Mayor Lewis K. Billings, Chairman
Larry A. Ellertson, Vice-Chair
Reed Price, Utah Lake Commission
Brent Arns, Payson
Mark Atwood, Pleasant Grove
Walt Baker, UT Dept of Environmental Quality
Dick Buehler, Forestry, Fire & State Lands
Mayor Jim Dain, Lindon
Chris Finlinson, Central UT Water Conservancy District
Reed Harris, UT Dept. of Natural Resources
James Linford, Santaquin
Mike Morley, House of Representatives
Dean F. Olsen, Springville
Mayor Jerry Washburn, Orem
Steve Densley, Provo/Orem Chamber
David Lifferth, Eagle Mountain

Other Interested Parties

Stephen Schwendiman, Attorney General's Office
Bruce Chesnut, Orem
Greg Beckstrom, Provo
H. Barry Tripp, Forestry, Fire & State Lands
David Grierson, Forestry Fire & State Lands
Gene Shawcroft, Central UT Water Conservancy District
Sarah Sutherland, Central UT Water Conservancy District
Robert West, Provo
LaVere Merritt, Private Consultant
Rick Cox, URS, Inc.
Marsha McLean, Sierra Club
Michael Mills, JSRIP
Marc Heilesen, Sierra Club
Gary Aitken, Strawberry Water User's Association
Taylor Oldroyd, UT County Association of Realtors
Laura Snow Nelson, Utah Valley Sierra Forum
David Bailey, Utah Farm Bureau
Ed Belliston, Property Reserve
Craig Collette, Private Citizen

ABSENT:

American Fork, Genola, Highland, Lehi, Mapleton, Santaquin, Saratoga Springs, U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, Vineyard, Woodland Hills, Utah Water Users

1. Welcome and call to order.

Chairman Lewis K. Billings welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:35 A.M.

2. Review and approve the Utah Lake Commission minutes from September 28, 2008.

Chairman Billings opened the floor to any comments or clarifications regarding the Utah Lake Commission Governing Board minutes from September 28, 2008. Commissioner Ellertson moved to approve the minutes and it was seconded by Gene Shawcroft, representing Central Utah Water Conservancy District. The minutes were approved unanimously.

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

Mr. Price reported that the Zion's Bank Checking account balance for September 2008 was in the amount of \$2,164.51. The Zion's Bank money market account balance was \$322,193.45 and the Petty cash balance was \$46.46. The interest earned for the month was \$785.34. Total expenses for the month were \$16,376.98 and

the Year- to- date transactions were listed at \$84,060.38. As of September 30 there was 77% of the budget remaining with 75% of the fiscal year remaining. Mayor Dain moved to approve the financial report and Mr. Walt Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

a. Review and approve the Financial Review document provided by Squire.

Mr. Price said that according to the By-Laws the Commission is required to have a financial review or audit performed annually. Two months ago the Board approved Squire & Company to perform a financial review. The financial review report was provided to the Board members at this meeting. The document was reviewed by the Executive Committee at their meeting last week.

Mr. Price introduced Mr. Ray Bartholomew from Squire & Company who performed the review to address the Board and answer any questions.

Mr. Bartholomew expressed his appreciation at being invited to the meeting. He said that this was the first annual financial statement for the Commission. The report covers the period ending June 30, 2008. The financial information was reviewed by Squire & Company to make sure that the Commission is following professional standards. He commented that Mr. Price has established some solid foundations for the financial accounting reporting for the Commission.

For the Commission's information he asked that they refer to Page 2, Management's Discussion and Analysis, while reading the report. It will help the reader to understand the activities and operations of the Commission during the past year. On Page 7 is the Balance Sheet of the Commission as of June 30, 2008. It shows the resources, liabilities and fund balance monies that are available for future appropriations. On Page 11 is the Budget Report. He commented that it is good to be able to present the concept that the Commission is under budget and has a positive fund balance. This page shows the actual activities compared with the budget. Also, the footnotes which begin on Page 12 help to explain the kind of principles and policies that are employed by the Commission in preparing the financial report. He complimented Mr. Price on being careful and caring about doing a good job. He then asked if there were any questions.

Chairman Billings asked Mr. Bartholomew if he had any suggestions for the Board. Mr. Bartholomew encouraged the Commission to pay attention to the state regulations and guidelines that are applicable and to make sure the Commission is in compliance with them. Next year the Commission will undergo an audit and the internal controls will be reviewed.

Mr. Stephen Schwendiman was asked if any official action was needed and he confirmed that no action was necessary.

Mr. Price commented that in order to keep familiar with regulations that are required he is in contact with Mr. Van Christensen at the state auditor's office. He has also met with Mr. John Borget, Provo City and Mr. Brandon Nelson, Orem City to look at the Commission's procedures and make recommendations. He stated he feels the Commission is in a good position.

Chairman Billings extended an open invitation to Squire and Company to attend any future meetings.

4. Report from the Technical Committee.

Mr. Bruce Chesnut, Chairman of the Technical Committee, stated that many members of the Technical Committee attended the Utah Lake Symposium held on October 21, 2008. The Technical Committee members have also received copies of the Draft Master Plan and are in the process of reviewing those and will be sending their comments to Mr. Price.

Chairman Billings asked Mr. Chesnut what the window of time is for the Governing Board members to submit comments and give feedback on the draft of the Master Plan. It was answered that the Technical Committee will be meeting on November 10, 2008 and, therefore, any comments or feedback should be sent prior to that date. The consultants will be presenting the plan formally to the Governing Board at their regularly scheduled meeting on November 20 and, therefore, would need time to incorporate suggestions. Mr.

Schwendiman pointed out that November 10 is a Monday so comments should actually be submitted by Friday, November 7. Chairman Billings suggested that comments by the end of the day on November 7 should be forwarded to the Technical Committee representatives and also to Mr. Price.

5. Report from the Executive Director.

Mr. Price reported that on Tuesday, October 21 the June Sucker Recovery Implementation Program (JSRIP) and the Utah Valley University (UVU) sponsored the Utah Lake Symposium. Several topics presented there have been featured in the newspapers and on KSL. He was able to make a presentation about the progress of the Master Plan at the symposium.

Mr. Reed Harris and Mr. Michael Mills also gave presentations. In their presentations they reported on the progress of the carp management plan and the Hobble Creek restoration project. They will report on those later in the agenda.

Mr. Dave Wham from the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) gave a presentation on polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs). Mr. Price recalled that approximately one year ago the Governing Board heard a presentation in a meeting from Ms. Christina McNaughton, Utah Department of Health, regarding the health advisory that had been issued for Utah Lake carp and channel catfish. The recommendation at that time was for the Commission to try and see if a point location in the lake could be found that had significant amounts of PCBs.

The DEQ and Department of Natural Resources (DNR) teamed up to do that sampling which was done earlier this year. The goal was to locate sources of PCBs or contaminations in sediments that were defined by an ecological screening value of 60 parts per billion (ppb). This level is similar to the levels in fish that are determined to be unhealthy. The EPA has determined that a level lower than 60 ppb are a normal level of PCBs.

This group targeted different areas including nine major stream flows, six industrial discharge sites and six in-lake sites. They took core samples ranging from eleven inches deep to over fifty inches deep. Samples were taken at the surface, in the floc and also at the bottom. They were then sent to the EPA region lab where they were analyzed at a detection limit of 50 ppb which is just below the ecologically screening value of 60 ppb. All of the samples that were tested were found to be nondetectable. This doesn't mean there are not PCBs there, but just that they are below the detection limit of 50 ppb. Because of those results the committee, represented by Mr. Harris from the Department of Natural Resources, Department of Wildlife Resources and the DEQ recommended that no additional sediment studies were warranted because they could not find any specific spot in the lake that indicated elevated levels of PCBs that exceeded the ecological screening value. They will collect fish every five years and analyze them for PCBs to see if continued advisories are necessary. This was recent news that was released at the symposium. A press release is expected today or tomorrow.

Mr. Walt Baker, DEQ, added that it should be noted that the screening was done at 50 ppb which does not mean PPBs are not present. What has likely occurred is that PCBs are magnified in the food chain and that is why it is prevalent in the fish. The advisory will remain intact.

Mr. Harris reported that the EPA suggested that the samples could be retested down to 20 ppb but the committee felt that 50 ppb is considered pristine water and so no further testing was necessary. All water bodies have some level of PCBs in them. It is concerning that the carp have PCBs in them and it can't be detected where they live. One idea discussed in their meetings is that PCBs may exist in the food chain itself and that is where it's being carried. One interesting note is that there are salmon fillets that range from 10-60 ppb that are being marketed commercially. The carp in Utah Lake are at 100 ppb. The EPA standard is at 2,000 ppb. This is why it is believed that the carp in the lake are marketable.

Dr. Merritt commented that since it is likely that the PCBs are in the food chain at this time then taking the carp out of the lake is one of the best possible solutions.

Another interesting presentation at the Utah Lake Symposium was by a professor from Utah State University (USU) regarding the fish food web. USU is developing a model to study what may happen to the sport fishery in the lake once the carp are removed. Mr. Price suggested that at a future date the Governing Board might invite the professor to give this presentation to the Board.

An update on the Provo-Nebo studies in regard to transportation was on the agenda at the symposium. That study is looking at protecting corridors for future growth. Two of those corridors would affect Utah Lake.

One corridor mapped out would cross Provo Bay on the west side and another corridor plan would be close to Provo Bay on the east side. Mr. Price has been attending those meetings and will continue to represent the Commission at those meetings.

It was reported in the news that funds for the study of the Utah Valley Connector that was proposed by Representative Sumsion were cut from the budget. They were cut, but not removed altogether. There is still \$750,000 in funding to study what can be done to help alleviate east/west congestion. The potential of a transportation study affecting Utah Lake is imminent. The Commission is still involved in that project. Mr. Reed Soper who is the project manager with UDOT has contacted Mr. Price and said that as soon as they are told by the legislature how to proceed with these funds he will reconnect with Mr. Price and let him know how the Commission should be involved.

Last month directly following the September Board Meeting Mr. Price was able to make a presentation about the Utah Lake Commission at the Utah Valley Executive Summit, sponsored by the Provo/Orem Chamber of Commerce. Next week he stated that he has been invited to present at the Salt Lake Countywide Symposium. The Governor has set up a task force to organize a commission for the Great Salt Lake similar to the Utah Lake Commission.

As reported last month Mr. Price said that he continues to be involved in the Blueprint Jordan River study process that Envision Utah is doing in conjunction with Salt Lake County. They have had many questions for him on the organization of the Commission. In his discussion with them they are formulating ideas on how to encourage corporate sponsorships for projects. These ideas can be beneficial to the Commission as well. He stated that it is exciting to be involved with them and for the Commission to be used as a model for them.

a. Update on Master Planning Process

As an update to the Master Planning process a copy of the Draft Master Plan has been received from the consultant. Copies have been distributed to the Governing Board, Technical Committee, Steering Committee and Subcommittee members for review. Those copies were sent via email and Mr. Price directed anyone who has not received a copy to let him know. It is hoped that Commission members will review the copy and offer feedback on the document before November 10 so the consultant can prepare adequately to present to the Governing Board the main points of the plan on November 20. That presentation will be in preparation for two Public Open Houses that will be held on December 3 in Lehi at the Willowcreek Middle School and on December 4 in Provo at the Utah Lake State Park. The Public Open Houses will be held from 5:00 to 7:00 P.M. Following the Open Houses, Mr. Price will continue to receive feedback from Commission members and the general public to see about incorporating any of their ideas into the Master Plan. The Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands would like to adopt the Master Plan that is being created as their Comprehensive Management Plan for Utah Lake. The Commission is working with them to be sure to follow the rules and regulations that are spelled out for them including a public comment period and providing adequate time for response to those comments. Mr. Dave Grierson is assisting Mr. Price to follow those guidelines. The timeline to finalize the Master Plan is currently set at February or March for both the Commission and the Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands. Mr. Price concluded his report and entertained any questions.

Mr. David Lifferth asked if there had been any previous tests on the PCBs that showed levels greater than 50 ppb and he was answered that according to Mr. Price's information this was this first time the sediments had

been tested. The problem wasn't known until the fish were tested and a health advisory was issued. After that advisory was issued it was determined to try to find where the contamination originated. Sampling was conducted earlier this year.

Chairman Billings commended the Utah Lake Symposium and questioned whether or not it had been videotaped. Mr. Price stated he understood that Ms. Helen Anderson had arranged for Channel 17 to videotape the symposium, but they were not there.

Chairman Billings requested Board Members be sent an email regarding the Open Houses that they could redistribute to their own email distribution lists. That suggestion will be coordinated with Wilkinson-Ferrari and Mr. Price informed the Board that all the newsletters had already received announcements for their cities

6. Report from the June Sucker Recovery Implementation Program.

Mr. Reed Harris reported that through the Division of Wildlife Resources (DWR) a new group has been formed called the Utah Lake Fish Forum. They anticipate that as there is progress on the carp removal there will be a major shift in the fisheries on the lake. Through the food web study and other research they are finding that the changes that will happen could have some major implications to the sports fishery. It is an immensely productive lake. DWR has asked a group of fishermen, the environmental community and some other groups to meet and discuss rules and management that may be needed once the carp reached lower levels and provide for future legislation if needed.

The Hobble Creek project is virtually completed. The seeding is being done and trees are being planted. On November 12 there will be a ribbon cutting and everyone on the Board will be invited. The actual diversion of the creek is expected to take place on Monday, October 27.

In regard to carp removal the JSRIP has not received any positive indication from Aqua World that they have accomplished anything to date. The Committee that put out the original Request for Proposal (RFP) met and decided that work could not be delayed any longer. They have decided to issue a contract to Mr. Bill Loy to do that work. Mr. Mills has worked with Central Utah Water Conservancy District (CUWCD) to issue that contract which will be for the removal of about two and a half million pounds of carp. They had hoped to get five million pounds of carp at ten cents per pound, but because there aren't any markets in place to help offset the cost they will have to pay twenty cents per pound to remove the carp. That is the figure that was submitted in the original RFP and that will include the catching of the fish and the disposal of the carp. Because there are not ready markets for the carp they will be composted in a nearby farm in Utah County. The contract will be set up in such a way that will limit the number of carp and will be done in benchmarks. The first benchmark will be 250,000 pounds. As soon as that benchmark is met the next benchmark will automatically be set so the workers can proceed as quickly as possible. The carp are most vulnerable at this time of year. The only way the carp can be disposed of quickly at this time is to compost them. The JSRIP are hopeful that markets will develop as the carp begins to be removed in order to meet the goal for this year of the removal of five million carp. The carp do have value and there are interested people in purchasing the carp but they don't want them in such large quantities. The new contract should be finalized within a week or so.

Commissioner Ellertson inserted that he heard on the news yesterday a report about the removal of carp on Utah Lake.

Mr. Harris said that often after a meeting such as the symposium the Associated Press writes an article and then he gets numerous responses in emails from people who want the carp. However, once the process and shipping is factored it becomes somewhat of a break-even situation. Recently two people came to Utah from New York to pursue the purchase of the carp. One of the men owns a restaurant in New York. Mr. Harris and some others including an interpreter took the visitors down to the lake and even prepared and ate the carp. They were very interested but only wanted about 1,000-2,000 pounds per day. Mr. Harris restated

that it takes awhile to develop these types of markets. Trying to find a place to house the workforce and process the fish is not readily available.

Mayor Dain asked if there was a plan to retest the fish for PCBs. Mr. Harris said that the levels are known and they will only test about every five years.

Mr. Linford questioned how long it will take to remove 2.5 million pounds of carp. Mr. Harris said they hope to remove that amount within six months. Eventually the goal is to remove five million pounds per year in able to get ahead of the reproduction cycle. It will take six years at that rate. They know that several crews may be needed. Mr. Linford asked if Mr. Loy has the ability to remove that amount. Mr. Harris said that Mr. Loy was able to remove 20,000 pounds last week within just a few hours and so they expect he is capable of removing the set goal amounts.

Mr. Lifferth asked if the composting process could be described and if the PCBs from that process can be absorbed into the ground water. Mr. Harris replied that the PCBs are not water soluble. Consequently, if they are put in a compost or landfill they don't lend themselves to being absorbed by plants. Composting has been a traditional way of dealing with the carp in the past. Usually some greenery is added to the carp compost which is allowed to work and eventually it breaks down and is used as a fertilizer. It is very high in nitrogen. Mr. Walt Baker concurred that PCBs are not transmissive in ground water in the soil.

Representative Morley asked how many pounds of carp are estimated to be in the lake. Mr. Harris replied that they have estimated there is about seven and a half million carp totaling about forty million pounds.

Representative Morley questioned how fast the carp multiply. Mr. Harris responded that there are also predators in the lake that eat the carp. Studies have shown that catfish eat a lot of the small carp. However, since they grow fast they get out of the feeding range quickly. They are very fecund but a lot ends up in the food chain rapidly. Mr. Harris explained that the model they use to study the fish is an ocean fishery model that basically tells them where the sustained yield is in a fishery population. Going beyond that yield causes overfishing of the population, causing the population to collapse.

Mr. Densely asked what happens to the other fish that are caught while catching the carp. It was answered that they are basically thrown back. This is call bi-catch. DWR will be present with Mr. Loy during the process to ensure the June Sucker caught with the carp are properly handled. Mr. Loy indicated a few weeks ago that in one area of Utah Lake by the airport he caught eighty-two June Suckers in one seine haul some of which were up to twenty-six inches long. The recovery of the June Sucker is progressing.

Mayor Washburn said that he read in the paper about the white bass cannibalizing themselves because of the diminishing food supply for them. Mr. Harris replied that in having a symposium some people come and then make their own conclusions. There is not a shortage of food, but 75% of the diet of white bass is their own offspring.

USU has studied the food chain and their study also shows the flow of energy. White bass is an issue, but they are not competing with walleye which is also a prize fish. Walleye are a top predator and make a great sport fish. It is a complex system. As the food chain is being tracked, they are finding that the larger predators are important. For example, catfish eat a lot of carp. JSRIP are trying to pick and choose which fish to manage in the lake for the benefit of the June Suckers. Mr. Harris remarked that USU should be invited to come and make their presentation to the Board.

Mayor Dain commented that Mr. Loy and others have been fishing on the lake for a long time and wondered what the comparison will be to the number of fish that the contract will stipulate. Mr. Harris replied that at one time Mr. Loy Senior took out three million pounds of fish in one year but that was a long time ago and he had many markets then. Since that time his company may remove 30,000-40,000 pounds per year.

Mr. Densely questioned how the fish will be shipped. Mr. Harris said they are talking about filleting and flash-freezing the fish. They will then take them to both coasts and transport them by semi-trucks.

Mr. Linford reviewed that a few months ago the Board heard a presentation from two brothers in business together who proposed the option of using the carp for fish meal.

Mr. Harris said that they have taken the fish to two processors, Moroni and Kuhni's, to process the carp into fish meal. It's fairly high quality fish meal at about 58% protein. Its worth about \$600-\$700 per ton, but it only calculates to about five cents per pound. It does have value and the Kuhni company has expressed an interest. They could take about 100,000 pounds per day but they would have to retool their system to take the fish. However, the JSRIP cannot wait to put such a program into effect. The fish have to be harvested right away.

JSRIP is currently working with BYU to take some of the fish meal and see if it can be pelletized. After that is done some more tests will be conducted with the DNR hatchery system to see if trout will utilize the pellets. That process will have to be studied to be sure there aren't any contamination issues. There are several options available.

7. Review and consider approval of applicants to the Public Advisory Group.

Chairman Billings stated that the Commission has been working to develop a method and an effective process for involving more voices in the Commission's topics of discussion. Mr. Price reviewed that the Interlocal Agreement allows for local governments and other stakeholders of Utah Lake to request membership as Ex-Officio members of the Governing Board. There are currently four recognized Ex-Officio members. After a significant number of requests from others for Ex-Officio membership the Board felt it was necessary for those groups to have a voice but that the number of members could become too large. Therefore, in August it was proposed and approved that a new group called the Public Advisory Group (PAG) be formed and the Board would have the option of approving membership and this was added to the Bylaws. Since that action was taken several applications have been received.

Mr. Price has received the following applications from these groups:

- Environmental Groups – Sierra Club, and the Utah Valley Sierra Forum;
- Recreational Groups – Utah Waterfowl Association, and the Bonneville School of Sailing and Seamanship;
- Business Group – Utah Valley Association of Realtors; and
- Agricultural Groups – Utah Farm Bureau and the Utah County Farm Bureau.

The Utah Valley Homebuilder's Association and Nature's Conservancy have also requested applications but have not yet returned them. They will probably be considered at a later date. Mr. Price recommended to the Executive Committee that they approve these groups to be granted membership to the Public Advisory Group. After discussion they agreed and voted to recommend their approval to the Governing Board. Chairman Billings requested clarification that applicants applying for membership would do so before January in order to be approved and membership would be for one calendar year. Membership would then need to be renewed on an annual basis.

Mr. Price said that was correct. Approving these applicants would allow them to meet immediately for the balance of 2008 and then they will be to be approved again in January.

Chairman Billings opened the matter for discussion.

Mr. Linford asked if a limit had been set for membership in the PAG and Mr. Price affirmed it was discussed but no limit was set. If the membership numbers get too large, it can be addressed later. This can be addressed each year.

Mr. Dick Buehler questioned whether or not some of the entities would be too similar. He wondered if there might be one environmental group and one farm group. Mr. Price answered that the question was also discussed in the Executive Committee and it was decided that there could also be other groups come forward that would have different objectives. It was previously discussed if each group should elect a representative to represent them all as an Ex-Officio member. Chris Finlinson added that one of the primary objectives for the creation of the Public Advisory Group was to give a voice to everyone and enable them to participate with the Utah Lake Commission. If, for example, the agricultural groups were limited to one voice, then the

same procedure would have to be followed for the other groups. In her opinion all of the groups will probably have different perspectives even within their category. Until it proves unwieldy, Ms. Finlinson feels this is the best procedure.

Mr. Buehler stated that he supports allowing groups to have a voice, but felt that many groups may be very similar and expressed his concern about having too many groups in the PAG. Discussion continued.

Chairman Billings expressed his approval of the annual review and stated that attendance will be observed. He feels there will be more groups that come forward to request membership. The Governing Board will have the opportunity to observe and make changes.

Mr. Baker questioned how the PAG would present their ideas and comments to the Governing Board and what would be the frequency of the meetings. Mr. Price replied that the new By-Law approved the Executive Director of the Commission, or Mr. Price, to act as the coordinator for the group. Mr. Price anticipates that the group will meet at least every other month. As the group gets organized they will be able to make those decisions. The first meeting will be set for sometime in November.

Mayor Washburn questioned if Mr. Price would go into the meetings with a set agenda or let the group determine their own agenda. Mr. Price said that would be determined after the first meeting when everyone would be introduced. Following that there will be a set agenda for each meeting and they will be able to voice their concerns and ideas and decide what they feel should be brought to the attention of the Governing Board.

Commissioner Ellertson added there was the same discussion about this matter in the Executive Committee. He stated the PAG should understand that the Governing Board is interested in having different disciplines and interests in the Lake expressed in the PAG and don't need to have multiple voices that could be used as leverage.

Mr. Price agreed and stated that the annual approval process should be able to control that issue if needed. Chairman Billings commented that this will be a healthy process. These groups who have been meeting for a long time separately will now have the opportunity to work together.

Mayor Washburn moved to approve the seven applicants for the Public Advisory Group as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dean F. Olsen.

Chairman Billings clarified that all the Commission meetings have been open and he expressed hope that Board members would participate in the Public Advisory Group meetings. Mr. Price added that it is in the By-Laws that members of the Governing Board may participate in the Public Advisory Group. The public may attend as well.

There was discussion with members expressing their support of the Public Advisory Group.

A vote was taken and the motion was approved unanimously.

Chairman Billings thanked the Board for the work done in creating the Public Advisory Group.

8. Review and Approval of Health and Dental Benefits increase for Commission employees.

On behalf of Mr. Price, Chairman Billings asked to conduct this agenda item. He stated that when Mr. Price was hired as the Executive Director of the Utah Lake Commission he was assured that the Commission would work to make his benefits comparable to the benefits he had at his last agency. Mr. Price elected to take a conservative choice for his health benefit, but the health and dental premiums offered by PEHP requires some changes for the coming year. From the handout provided to the Board members at the beginning of the meeting Chairman Billings referred to the change in Health care from \$913.20 for 2008 to \$1029.80 for 2009 to fund the same plan. Chairman Billings stated that the \$116.40 increase would actually be a bargain. The Dental Care would decrease from \$89.30 in 2008 to \$84.80 in 2009 which would amount to a decrease of \$4.50 per month for equivalent coverage.

Mr. Price clarified there was a limit that was set for a comparable plan to his previous employment. He did choose a higher deductible plan that was more conservative. The annual savings last year by making that

choice amounts to \$203.64. That same plan will save the Commission in 2009 the amount of \$306.36. The overall increase will be 9.95%.

Chairman Billings said the Executive Committee has approved the proposal. Mayor Dain moved to approve the proposal and it was seconded by Mr. Linford. The motion was approved unanimously.

5. Other Business.

Mr. Price announced that Mr. Clyde Naylor, Assistant Executive Director of the Utah Lake Commission, who was excused from the meeting for a family vacation, has received his mission call. He will be serving for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in the Jacksonville, Florida mission and enters the Missionary Training Center on January 5, 2009. Mr. Naylor retires from his position as Public Works Director for Utah County on January 1, 2009.

Mr. Baker asked how long Mr. Naylor has worked for the County. It was replied that he had worked for thirty years for Utah County. Commissioner Ellertson remarked that Mr. Naylor was honored by the County earlier this year for his service.

Representative Morley reported that the Utah Legislature was able to make the \$350 million budget cuts they recently made without accessing the Rainy Day funds. However, more structural cuts will be coming. They were able to preserve the \$750,000 for the EIS corridor studies.

6. Confirm that the next Governing Board Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, November 20 2008, 7:30 AM.

Chairman Billings asked if everyone could attend the next meeting and reminded everyone it was being held the week before Thanksgiving.

7. Adjourn.

Commissioner Ellertson moved to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Mr. Linford. The meeting was adjourned at 8:59 A.M.