



New Mexico Rural Water Association
Membership Meeting Minutes
Hotel Albuquerque at Old Town
March 20, 2007

I. Call to Order & Invocation

President John L. Jones called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm. Past President Keith Lee gave the Invocation.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

President John L. Jones led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Reading of Notice of Meeting

Ray Leverich, Secretary/Treasurer read the official notice of the 2007 Annual Membership Meeting.

IV. Roll Call of Voting Delegates

Ray Leverich, Secretary/Treasurer called the roll of voting delegates.

V. Determination of Quorum

Ray Leverich, Secretary/Treasurer determined and announced the presence of a quorum of twenty-nine voting members.

VI. Reading and Approval of Minutes – March 21, 2006

President John L. Jones read the minutes of the 2006 Annual Membership Meeting, making one typographical correction to the draft minutes

Ray Leverich moved to approve the minutes as read
Wesley Shafer seconded the motion
Motion carried unanimously

VII. Introduction and Comments from VIP Guests

There were no VIP guests to introduce.

VIII. Presentation of Reports

A. Association Report

President John L. Jones reported on the importance of the membership of New Mexico Rural Water Association to the state – rural water serves over 50% of the residents. He noted that NMRWA had an increased presence at the recent legislative session, and emphasized the importance of member involvement in local political meetings. President Jones noted that the Board of Directors will consider a rate hike at their meeting the following day. Finally, he



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thanked the delegates for their support of the Association and encouraged everyone to support the Political Action Committee.

B. National Director's Report

Jim Dunlap stated that he had dreaded the prospect of giving the report that NRWA has lost program funding for the first time in 27 years. Unfortunately, it appears that USEPA will not fund the Training and Technical Assistance program or the Groundwater Protection program for FY 2007. He explained the circumstances that led to this, including the switch in congressional leadership, the continuing resolution, and the prohibition on earmarks in funding bills. Jim Dunlap concluded by emphasizing the importance of every member supporting the Association's funding for these critically needed programs.

C. Executive Director's Report

Matthew Holmes presented a report on the following items:

- ◆ New Mexico's efforts in supporting NRWA's program funding
- ◆ The Board of Director's training session held on Wednesday morning
- ◆ His service on the NRWA Marketing Committee
- ◆ Teaching at the last Institute of Association Management
- ◆ The importance of providing representation for rural communities to state agencies and regulatory processes
- ◆ The importance of the Board of Directors to the health of the Association

D. Financial Report

Financial Officer Sue Sleeper presented the Financial Report for the Association, noting the following items:

- ◆ Sue received the 2006 NRWA Peer Leadership Award for Accounting Services
- ◆ The internal account closed December 31st (FY06) with \$4,141.04 in net revenue
- ◆ The 2006 Annual Conference generated \$15,573.08 in net revenue – the largest in Association history
- ◆ The 2006 audit has been delayed to allow a CPA firm to review the books, as recommended in the 2005 audit



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IX. Election of Regional Directors

President John L. Jones recessed to meeting to the regional caucuses.

President John L. Jones reconvened the Membership Meeting.

X. Regional Caucus Reports

The following delegates were elected to the Board of Directors, and the following Directors were elected to the Executive Committee:

- Region 1** Rick Leal, Director
Wesley Shafer, Director
Michael Stroud, Director, 2-year term
Debra Ingle, Executive Committee
- Region 2** Gloria Gonzales, Director
Gilbert Miera, Director
Larry Covington, Director, 1-year term
Don Wells, Director, 2-year term
Pat Banegas, Executive Committee
- Region 3** Ophelia Gonzales, Director
Ray Leverich, Director
Ray Leverich, Executive Committee
- Region 4** David Kenneke, Director
Mike Vigil, Director
Ivan Roper, Executive Committee

XI. Election of Officers – President and Legislative Chair

President John L. Jones stated that he will use a slow and deliberate process to receive nominations for Officers of the Association, and that he has chosen not to run for President for 2007.

Ray Leverich nominated Clarence Aragon as President
Pat Banegas seconded the nomination

Jim Dunlap moved that nominations cease and Clarence Aragon be elected President by acclamation
Keith Lee seconded the motion
Motion carried unanimously



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Ivan Roper nominated John L. Jones as Legislative Chair

Ray Leverich seconded the motion

Pat Banegas moved that nominations cease and John L. Jones be elected
Legislative Chair by acclamation

Gavin Strathdee seconded the motion

Motion carried unanimously

XII. Unfinished & New Business

Gavin Strathdee moved to retain Keith Lee in the position of Past President in the
place of John L. Jones

Ray Leverich seconded the motion

Motion carried unanimously

President John L. Jones thanked everyone for their participation and noted that the
next Annual Conference will celebrate the Association's 30th year.

XIII. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned.

Clarence Aragon, President

Ray Leverich, Secretary / Treasurer



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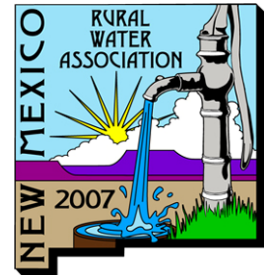
Notice of Annual Membership Meeting

New Mexico Rural Water Association

29th Annual Technical Conference & Membership Meeting

March 19 – 22, 2007

Hotel Albuquerque at Old Town



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NOTICE OF MEETING

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING TO BE HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 2007

HOTEL ALBUQUERQUE AT OLD TOWN, 800 RIO GRANDE BLVD, 505-843-6300

FRANCISCAN BALLROOM, 3:00 PM – NO CHARGE TO ATTEND THIS MEETING

**VOTING DELEGATE FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE NMRWA OFFICE BY 5:00 PM
ON MARCH 9, 2007 WITH ALL REQUIRED INFORMATION COMPLETED**

FOR MORE INFORMATION: VISIT WWW.NMRWA.ORG OR CALL 1-800-819-9893

NMRWA Annual Membership Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, March 20, 2007, 3:00 PM – Hotel Albuquerque at Old Town



- I. CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION – John L. Jones, President
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. READING OF NOTICE OF MEETING – Ray Leverich, Secretary/Treasurer
- IV. ROLL CALL OF VOTING DELEGATES – Ray Leverich, Secretary / Treasurer
- V. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM – Ray Leverich, Secretary/Treasurer
- VI. READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 21, 2006
- VII. INTRODUCTION AND COMMENTS FROM VIP GUESTS
- VIII. PRESENTATION OF REPORTS
 - A. Association Report – John L. Jones, President
 - B. National Director’s Report – Jim Dunlap
 - C. Executive Director’s Report – Matthew Holmes
 - D. Financial Report – Sue Sleeper, Financial Officer
- IX. ELECTION OF REGIONAL DIRECTORS – Adjourn to Regional Caucuses
 - Region I – Potter’s Room
 - Region II – Franciscan
 - Region III – Weaver’s Room
 - Region IV – Turquoise Room
- X. REGIONAL CAUCUS REPORTS
- XI. ELECTION OF OFFICERS – President and Legislative Chair
- XII. UNFINISHED & NEW BUSINESS
- XIII. ADJOURN



Copies of the current Bylaws, Board of Directors terms, Voting Delegate forms, and the 2006 Membership Meeting minutes may be obtained by calling our office at 1-800-819-9893, or online at: www.nmrwa.org/minutes.php. All materials will be available for your review at the Membership Meeting. **All voting members must deliver an original delegate form with two signatures to the NMRWA office by 5:00 pm on March 9, 2007** in order to be eligible to vote. Forms and information are available by calling our office or online at: www.nmrwa.org/2007conference.php. Please attend our meeting and support the Association!