

**MINUTES OF THE  
TENNESSEE ONSITE WASTEWATER ASSOCIATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
July 12, 2011**

The Tennessee Onsite Wastewater Association (TOWA) met on July 12, 2011, at the Lentz Public Health Center, Nashville, TN. Members present were: Christopher Michie - President, Spencer Hissam - Past-President, Scott Fellwock - Treasurer, Gregg Clingerman - Secretary, Directors – Brian Corwin, Kevin Raley and Tom Petty. Call in members were Directors - Dr. John Buchanan, Jeff Cox, Bob O'Dette, Bob Conrad and Jim McClain.

1. The Board Meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Christopher Michie. The agenda for the July 12th Board Meeting was presented.
2. **Minutes** from the May 10, 2011 Board Meeting were presented. Brian Corwin made a motion for approval of the May 10th minutes as submitted, Tom Petty seconded the motion. After a full discussion the minutes were approved by the Board.
3. **Treasurers Report** - Scott Fellwock reported that the financial activity since the May 10th Board meeting consisted of a \$625.00 payment to the CPA for the organizations tax return. The balance as of July 1st, is \$9,303.28. Brian Corwin made a motion to approve the treasurers report as submitted, Tom Petty seconded the motion. After a full discussion, the treasurers report was approved by the Board.

**4. Committee Reports**

**2012 Conference** – Tim Burcham was not present so no update to the 2012 conference was presented. Bob O'Dette suggested that the Fleming Training Center at the Tennessee Association of Utility District's office in Murfreesboro may be a possible option for holding the conference.

**Old Business** – Christopher Michie reported at the May 10<sup>th</sup> meeting that Kevin Davis - Director At-Large Representing East, TN. and Robert Foster - Director Representing Service Providers have resigned their positions. Christopher has obtained a list of service providers from the State and distributed the list out to the members. Members are to review the list and to come back to the September 13<sup>th</sup> meeting with possible recommendations for filling these positions.

**New Business** – Scott Fellwock asked the Board if they thought that the \$625.00 that the CPA's charge for filing the organizations taxes was reasonable. This fee also included all the filing of the necessary forms with the State for a non-profit organization. It was agreed that the fee appeared to be reasonable and no changes at this time needed to be made.

Jeffery Cox was interested in knowing how many ATU units have been approved and installed in Tennessee. As a group do we need to work with Ground Water Protection to promote to get these units approved. As a group what can we do to help promote the ATU's to move forward.

Tom Petty thinks that the reason we are seeing any installation of these systems is more related to the economy since they are expensive to install.

Brian Corwin reported that in talking to the ATU manufacturers they are saying that there

business across the country is down and they are not foreseeing expanding these systems into any new areas until the economy improves. Dr. Buchanan also reported that he has not seen any demand for the ATU's in the State.

Jeffery Cox will contact the State to see how many units have been installed and where can TOWA help in promoting these systems.

Christopher Michie reported that as of May 27<sup>th</sup> the State has approved 6 ATU manufactures for use in the State. The manufacturers are as follows: 1. Clearstream Wastewater Systems, 2. Delta Environmental, 3. Ecological Tanks, Inc., 4. Orenco Systems Inc., 5. Quanics Inc., 6. Bio-Microbics, Inc.

Scott Fellwock made a motion for the Board support the annual Goodlettsville Help Center Golf Scramble by sponsoring a hole for \$250.00, in which TOWA has supported this event in the past. Gregg Clingerman seconded the motion. After a full discussion, the motion was approved by the Board.

No further business came before the Board. The next Board meeting is September 13, 2011 from 4 to 6 p.m. at Lentz Public Health Center, Nashville, TN. Mr. Michie adjourned the meeting at 4:50 p.m.