## MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE DUPAGE WATER COMMISSION HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2009, AT K'S SIGNATURE EVENTS AND CONFERENCE CI

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The meeting was called to order at 8:00 A.M., starting with a meet and greet, followed by breakfast, and concluding with a formal presentation.

Commissioners in attendance: L. Hartwig, W. Mueller, W. Murphy, A. Poole, F. Saverino, J. Zay, and L. Rathje

Commissioners Absent: T. Bennington, E. Chaplin, T. Elliott, W. Maio, G. Mathews, and D. Zeilenga

Also in attendance: R. Martin, M. Crowley, C. Johnson, J. Nesbitt, T. McGhee, R. C. Bostick, J. Schori, E. Kazmierczak, F. Frelka, and Dave Dempsey, author of *On the Brink: The Great Lakes in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century* and *Great Lakes for Sale: From Whitecaps to Bottlecaps* 

Chairman S. Louis Rathje began the formal presentation at 8:20 A.M. by introducing current and former Board members of the DuPage Water Commission. Chairman Rathje then thanked everyone for attending the meeting, giving special recognition to Chicago Water Commissioner John Spatz, State Representative Patricia Bellock, and State Senator Carole Pankau. After concluding the introductions, Chairman Rathje asked Commissioner Murphy to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Chairman Rathje noted the purpose of the special meeting was to educate state and local government officials and community leaders as to the dangers of misusing the Lake Michigan water supply and suggested that the Commission's customer utilities and others join the Commission in taking a proactive role in water conservation rather than a reactive role.

Chairman Rathje then introduced DuPage Water Commission's Manager of Water Operations Terry McGhee. Manager of Water Operations McGhee began his presentation on the Commission's newly developed Water Conservation Protection Program, <u>www.preservingeverydrop.org</u>, which provides communities as well as individual residents with ideas for various ways to participate in the water conservation program. After Manager of Water Operations McGhee concluded his opening remarks, Chairman Rathje introduced General Manager Martin who, in turn, introduced the guest speaker and author of *On the Brink: The Great Lakes in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century* and *Great Lakes for Sale: From Whitecaps to Bottlecaps*, Dave Dempsey.

After Mr. Dempsey concluded his presentation on the dangers of misusing the Lake Michigan water supply, he opened the floor to questions, after which, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 A.M.