



DuPage Water Commission

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE RESCHEDULED MAY 2006 ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE DUPAGE WATER COMMISSION WILL BE HELD AT 10:00 A.M. ON THURSDAY, MAY 11, 2006, AT ITS OFFICES LISTED BELOW. THE AGENDA FOR THE RESCHEDULED MAY 2006 REGULAR COMMITTEE MEETING IS AS FOLLOWS:

AGENDA

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, MAY 11, 2006
10:00 A.M.

600 EAST BUTTERFIELD ROAD
ELMHURST, IL 60126

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

L. Hartwig, Chair
D. Zeilenga
E. Chaplin
W. Murphy

- I. Roll Call
- II. Approval of Minutes of April 13, 2006
- III. Holzwart Memorial Plaque
- IV. Other
- V. Adjournment

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**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
OF THE DUPAGE WATER COMMISSION
HELD ON APRIL 13, 2006**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 P.M. at the Commission's office located at 600 East Butterfield Road, Elmhurst, Illinois.

Committee members in attendance: E. Chaplin, W. Murphy, D. Zeilenga (as of 7:10 P.M.), and L. Hartwig

Committee members absent: M. Vondra (*ex officio*)

Also in attendance: R. Martin, R. M. Richter, and M. Crowley

Commissioner Murphy moved to approve the Minutes of the October 13, 2005, Administration Committee meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Chaplin and unanimously approved by a Voice Vote.

All voted aye. Motion carried.

Commissioners Murphy and Chaplin reported they had polled the Commissioners as to their preference for honoring former General Manager Holzwart by either re-naming the DuPage Pumping Station after him (and, possibly, former General Manager Palmer) or installing a memorial plaque similar to the Palmer memorial plaque. Commissioner Chaplin reported the consensus of the Commissioners was to install a plaque.

With respect to the inscription on the memorial plaque, Commissioner Chaplin expressed her preference for using the text from Resolution No. R-1-06: A Resolution in Memoriam to James J. Holzwart instead of the text suggested by the General Manager in his memorandum dated January 27, 2006. Commissioner Murphy was agreeable to Commissioner Chaplin's suggestion provided the inscription was comparable in length and tone to the Palmer memorial plaque inscription.

General Manager Martin advised he would prepare an inscription modeled after Resolution No. R-1-06 for the Committee's review and approval at the May meeting. General Manager Martin also advised that once the plaque was ready, the plaque could be unveiled at a Commission meeting at which Anita Holzwart would be invited to attend. The Committee agreed with General Manager Martin's suggestion, and concluded its discussion by agreeing to defer recommending a location for the plaque until after the unveiling.

Commissioner Murphy moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 P.M. Seconded by Commissioner Chaplin and unanimously approved by a Voice Vote.

All voted aye. Motion carried.



DuPage Water Commission

MEMORANDUM

TO: Administration Committee

CC: Chairman Vondra and Commissioners
Richard Thorn, Treasurer

FROM: Robert L. Martin, P.E. 
General Manager

DATE: May 2, 2006

SUBJECT: Holzwart Memorial Plaque

Attached are copies of the following:

1. Memorandum to Chairman and Commissioners dated January 27, 2006 regarding the Dedication of DuPage Pumping Station
2. Memorandum to Administration Committee dated April 21, 2006 regarding the Holzwart Memorial Plaque
3. Facsimile from Commissioner Poole sent on April 24, 2006 regarding the April 21, 2006 memorandum

In response to Commissioner Poole's comments, I have prepared another alternative for consideration by the Committee. This is a combination of the January 27, 2006 and April 21, 2006 versions.

IN MEMORIAM

On December 10, 2005, James J. Holzwart passed away, leaving behind a legacy of more than thirty years of public service. Mr. Holzwart served as the second General Manager of the DuPage Water Commission from December 1985 to February 2004. His vision and leadership were instrumental in bringing Robert T. Palmer's dream of a county-wide Lake Michigan water system to fruition. He managed the almost half-billion dollar construction project so that it was completed on time and under budget. James J. Holzwart was a respected friend and dedicated community servant. He will be missed.



DuPage Water Commission MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairman and Commissioners

CC: Richard Thorn, Treasurer

FROM: Robert L. Martin, P.E. *RLM*
General Manager

DATE: January 27, 2006

SUBJECT: Dedication of DuPage Pumping Station

At the January 12, 2006, meeting of the Board, a considerable discussion was held on the issue of naming the DuPage Pumping Station after Robert T. Palmer, the first General Manager of the reconstituted DuPage Water Commission, James J. Holzwart, the second General Manager of the reconstituted DuPage Water Commission, or some combination thereof. At the conclusion of that discussion, the Board directed staff to prepare a summary of the relative contributions each such General Manager made to the Commission. Staff is in the process of collecting the relevant information, and those summaries will be included in your packet of materials for the February Board meeting. In the meantime, however, I wanted to offer an alternative suggestion for your consideration.

The DuPage Pumping Station and Reservoir has already been dedicated to the memory of Robert T. Palmer for his role in the planning and formation of the Commission. See attached photograph of the plaque In Memoriam that was installed in the entrance foyer in 1992. James J. Holzwart's contributions were equally significant in the actual construction and installation of the Commission's Waterworks System. While Robert T. Palmer was the chief architect of the plan that gave birth to the State's largest intergovernmental water agency, James J. Holzwart was the plan's chief construction manager.

At the time the Waterworks System was first placed into operation, James J. Holzwart was opposed to naming the DuPage Pumping Station after any single individual, believing the successful completion of the project, from conception to operation, was due to the collective efforts of a host of committed individuals. To recognize the special contributions of Robert T. Palmer, James J. Holzwart suggested instead the dedication plaque found in the entrance foyer. Because James J. Holzwart was a person who tried to avoid publicity, and in keeping with his wishes to avoid naming the DuPage Pumping Station after any single individual, I would suggest a second memorial plaque be installed in the entrance foyer, with text along the following lines:

Chairman and Commissioners
Dedication of DuPage Pumping Station
January 27, 2006
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IN MEMORIAM

In deep and sincere appreciation to James J. Holzwart, a consummate out-of-the-box thinker who thought of new and different ways to deal with the difficult problems in bringing Robert T. Palmer's dream of a county-wide Lake Michigan water system to fruition. Mr. Holzwart served as the second General Manager of the DuPage Water Commission from December 1985 to February 2004.

IN MEMORIAM

ON JUNE 6, 1992 THE DU PAGE WATER COMMISSION DEDICATED THIS PUMP STATION AND RESERVOIR TO THE MEMORY OF ROBERT T. PALMER IN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF HIS INVOLVEMENT IN PLANNING FOR A LAKE MICHIGAN WATER SUPPLY AND FOR HIS TIRELESS EFFORTS IN MAKING THAT DREAM A REALITY. MR. PALMER SERVED AS CLERK/SECRETARY TO THE ORIGINAL TREE TOWNS WATER COMMISSION FROM JULY 1956 TO NOVEMBER 1981 AND WAS APPOINTED AS GENERAL MANAGER TO ITS SUCCESSOR AGENCY, THE DU PAGE WATER COMMISSION, IN WHICH CAPACITY HE SERVED FROM DECEMBER 1981 TO DECEMBER 1985.



DuPage Water Commission

MEMORANDUM

TO: Administration Committee

CC: Chairman and Commissioners
Richard Thorn, Treasurer

FROM: Robert L. Martin, P.E. 
General Manager

DATE: April 21, 2006

SUBJECT: Holzwart Memorial Plaque

At the April 13, 2006, Administration Committee meeting, it was recommended that a memorial plaque be installed within the DuPage Pumping Station to honor former General Manager Holzwart. It was also recommended that the inscription on the plaque be modeled after Resolution No. R-1-06: A Resolution in Memoriam to James J. Holzwart, yet comparable in length and tone to the inscription on the memorial plaque honoring former General Manager Palmer.* In accordance with the Committee's directions, I have prepared the following inscription for the Committee's review and approval at the May meeting:

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On December 10, 2005, James J. Holzwart passed away, leaving behind a legacy of more than thirty years of devoted public service. Mr. Holzwart served as the second General Manager of the DuPage Water Commission from December 1985 to February 2004. His vision, leadership, and high standards of excellence were essential to the Commission's work in bringing Lake Michigan water to the residents of DuPage County—on time and under budget—and greatly contributed to the fine reputation the Commission has earned. James J. Holzwart was a respected friend and dedicated community servant whose logic, diligence, stability, and intelligence will be sorely missed.

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* See attached photograph of the plaque In Memoriam that was installed in the entrance foyer in 1992.

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TO: Bob Martin

I do not believe the wording is at all comparable they are not similarly worded

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Pook
4-29-06*

This needs rewording

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Holzwart

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