



WEAT PRESENTS

TY EMBREY

“LEGISLATIVE UPDATE”

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The 80th Legislative Session is shaping up to be another important session dealing with a host of water and wastewater issues. In this regard, Mr. Embrey will discuss pending legislation related to water utility and water quality matters, and provide insight regarding expected changes in the law related to these issues.

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YP Corner
 By Ryan Bell

What do you get when you have a warm, sunny evening, local government, some frosty beverages and a bunch of young engineers? A fabulous time, that’s what. The setting was Opal Divine’s on Sixth Street. The date was Thursday, February 22. The atmosphere – perfect. Our growing contingent of Young Professionals was joined by Austin City Council Member Brewster McCracken for an informal workshop on issues affecting our fair city. Over frosty beverages, Brewster told us the ins and outs and comings and goings of the city as well as the most challenging issues facing us Austinites today (college football was also discussed). The YP’s then informed Brewster of all the things he needs to do to fix it (namely, hire us to fix it for him). A good time was had by all. A big thank you goes out to Brewster for being a good sport and for spending the time with us and to K Friese and Associates for generously sponsoring the event.



YP’s meet with Council member Brewster McCracken, from left to right, Dale Murphy, Rudy Killian, Ryan Bell, Brewster McCracken, Kacey Cubine, Anna Whiting.

For those whose schedules did not allow them to attend, no worries. We will be having another happy hour April 12th. We may have a special guest, we may not. What we WILL have regardless, is fun, as well as a good opportunity to network with our colleagues. Stay tuned for announcements, and as always, email me at rbell@kfriese.com to be included in all correspondence.

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April 10-13, 2007 Texas Water 2007 Fort Worth, TX TAWWA/WEAT	May 15, 2007 Next WEAT Meeting “Brushy Creek WWTP Expansion” Presented by Monica Pfeiffer (LCRA) WEAT	June 15, 2007 Chapter 217 Rules Seminar Austin, TX WEAT	July 20, 2007 TAWWA/WEAT Summer Meeting aboard the Flagship Texas Lake Travis, TX TAWWA/WEAT	October 13-17, 2007 WEFTEC San Diego, CA WEF
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Carol Batterton (WEAT Executive Director)
welcoming attendees to the Water Is Life Briefing.

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