

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
of the
REGIONAL WATER PLANNING GROUP “T”
Wednesday, November 20, 2019 – 10:00 a.m.
Nacogdoches Recreation Center
1112 North Street, Nacogdoches, Texas

1. **Call to Order** – Kelley Holcomb, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.
2. **Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance** – Worth Whitehead
3. **Roll Call and Determination of Quorum** – The roll was called by Stacy Corley and a quorum was determined as follows:

Voting Members Present: (16 of 22)

David Alders
David Brock
Josh David
Roger Fussell
Stevan Gelwick
Scott Hall
Kelley Holcomb
Fred Jackson
John Martin
John McFarland
David Montagne – Mary Vann Designated Alternate
Gregory Morgan
Monty Shank
Randy Stanton
Terry Stelly
Worth Whitehead

Voting Members Absent: (4)

Chris Davis
Mark Dunn
Matthew McBroom
Darla Smith

Voting Member Category Vacancies: (2)

(1) Small Business
(1) Industries

Non -Voting Members Present: (1)

Ben A. Stephenson, Dallas Water Utilities

Government Reporting Agencies:

Lann Bookout, TWDB
Manual Martinez, TDA

Staff and Consultants:

Stacy Corley, City of Nacogdoches
Rex Hunt, Plummer
Cynthia Syvarth, Plummer
Dexter May, Plummer
Simone Kiel, Freese & Nichols
Jordan Skipwith, Freese & Nichols

Other Guests:

Debra Malus, Sabine River Authority
April Sease, TSSWCB
Teresa Griffin, Panola GCD
Yassin Gallardo, LNVA

4. Consideration and approval of the minutes of the October 15, 2019 meeting.

Roger Fussell moved to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Worth Whitehead and unanimously passed.

5. Report from City of Nacogdoches – Stacy Corley

Mrs. Corley reported the FY 2020 Membership Invoices had been mailed out, and advised approximately \$14,000 has been received.

6. Reports of adjoining regions activity:

- a. Region C – Vacant - No report.
- b. Region D – John McFarland – stated next meeting will be January 23, 2020 1 p.m.
- c. Region H – Scott Hall – No report

7. Reports from Standing Committees:

- a. Executive Committee – Kelley Holcomb stated the Committee met to discuss Web page development.
- b. Finance Committee – Mark Dunn – No meeting or report
- c. Bylaws Committee – David Alders – No meeting or report
- d. Technical Committee – Scott Hall – No meeting or report

- e. Nominations Committee – Monty Shank stated the committee met and he defers to Item # 10.

8. Reports from other state agencies:

- a. Texas Water Development Board staff – Lann Bookout

Lann advised that the TWDB has E-mailed Region I's Socioeconomic Impact Analysis for review.

Region I requested TWDB schedule an educational presentation to explain the results of the analysis to the board members at first available opportunity.

- b. Texas Department of Parks & Wildlife – No report
- c. Texas Department of Agriculture – Manual Martinez – discussed the TDA CDBG Community Development upcoming awards.
- d. Texas Soil and Water Conservation Board – Rusty Ray – Absent

9. Report from consultant team.

- a. Review of 5th Cycle Water Planning schedule

Dexter May with Plummer discussed the Planning schedule for remainder of the 5th cycle.

- b. County Review: Angelina, Henderson, Nacogdoches, Orange and Rusk Counties – Jordan Skipwith, Freese & Nichols.

- Angelina County:
 - Steady population growth
 - Primary water use is municipal
 - Total developed supply greater than total demand
 - No municipal WUGs with identified needs
 - Manufacturing and mining with identified needs
 - Strategies include purchasing additional supply from Lufkin and ANRA
- Henderson County:
 - Steady population growth
 - Primary water use is municipal
 - Total developed supply greater than total demand
 - WUGs identified with needs: Chandler, Moore Station WSC, mining
 - Municipal conservation, purchase water from Tyler for Chandler
 - Strategies to develop groundwater supplies in Carrizo-Wilcox for Moore Station WSC and mining
- Nacogdoches County:
 - Steady population growth
 - Primary water uses are municipal and livestock

- Projected demand approximately equal to developed supply
- WUGs identified with needs: Cushing, D&M WSC, Livestock, and Mining
- Strategies include municipal conservation, additional wells in Carrizo-Wilcox Aquifer, purchase additional water from ANRA
- Orange County:
 - Steady population growth
 - Primary water uses manufacturing and municipal
 - Almost all supply is developed
 - Total developed supply significantly exceeds demands
 - Irrigation users identified with needs, strategy to purchase supply from SRA
- Rusk County:
 - Increasing population growth
 - Primary water uses are steam electric power and municipal
 - Total demand exceeds total supply
 - Multiple users identified with needs
 - Strategies to develop groundwater supplies in Carrizo-Wilcox for Jacobs WSC, Wright City WSC, and Livestock
 - Strategies to purchase from ANRA (mining) or SRA (SEP)

10. Consider Approval of Removal/Appointment of Voting Members – Monty Shank.

Monty Shank made recommendation from the Nominating Committee to accept the resignation of Don Iles, Public interest.

Greg Morgan made motion to accept Don Iles resignation. The motion was seconded by Roger Fussell and unanimously approved.

Monty Shank made recommendation from the Nominating Committee to replace Don Iles with Terry Stelly to represent the Public interest; and appoint David Gorsich to represent Industries.

Randy Stanton made motion to replace Don Iles with Terry Stelly to represent the Public interest; and appoint David Gorsich to represent Industries. The motion was seconded by David Alders and unanimously approved.

11. Consideration and Approval of definition of significant needs in the region – Jordan Skipwith Freese & Nichols

Process for defining significant needs for Region I:

- Identify unmet needs before WMS implementation
- Assess various numerical thresholds
 - Entities with larger needs are more likely to adopt ASR
- Constrain to municipal WUGS and WWPS
 - Most likely to sponsor ASR projects
- 5,000 Acre-Feet per Year – Unmet needs threshold

David Alders moved to approve 5,000 Acre-Feet per Year of Unmet Needs as definition of significant needs in Region I. The motion was seconded by Roger Fussell and unanimously passed.

12. Consideration and Approval of the substantial completion of draft Chapter 5A – Identification of Potentially Feasible Water Management Strategies for the 2021 Region I Water Plan – Jordan Skipwith – Freese & Nichols

Stevan Gelwick made motion to approve draft 5A as presented. The motion was seconded by Josh David and unanimously approved.

13. Review of Chapter 5B Potentially Feasible Water Management Strategies – Cynthia Syvarth – Plummer

Chapter 5B is the same as 5A – no action required.

14. Consideration and Approval for chair to submit notice-to-proceed request for additional Task 5A funds with the following actions: - Cynthia Syvarth - Plummer

- a. Approval and authorization to submit the approved notice-to-proceed request to the TWDB;
- b. Authorization for the consultant and/or political subdivision to work with the TWDB on any follow up information that might be required; and
- c. Authorization for the political subdivision to negotiate and execute the subsequent TWDB contract amendment that will be issued.

Scott Hall made motion to authorize the submission of the approved notice-to-proceed request to the TWDB; and authorize the consultant and/or political subdivision to work with the TWDB on any follow up information that might be required; and authorize the political subdivision to negotiate and execute the subsequent TWDB contract amendment that will be issued. The motion was seconded by John Martin and unanimously approved.

15. Consideration and Approval of the substantial completion of draft Chapter 5C – Water Conservation Recommendations for the 2021 Region I Water Plan – Dexter May, Plummer

Roger Fussell made motion to approve the substantial completion of draft Chapter 5C – Water Conservation Recommendations for the 2021 Region I Water Plan as presented. The motion was seconded by Randy Stanton and unanimously approved.

16. Consideration and Approval authorizing the City of Nacogdoches to execute Contract Amendment Number 4 with Plummer for Fiscal Year 2020 funds.

Scott Hall made motion to authorize the City of Nacogdoches to execute Contract Amendment Number 4 with Plummer for Fiscal Year 2020 funds.

17. Consideration and Approval for the chair to enter into a contract with Shaffer Creative, LLC to redesign the Region I website – Dexter May, Plummer

Chairman Holcomb advised the board currently there is no funding on the grant side to help with the redesign of the website. He suggested the FY 2021 Administration Budget include the \$5,000 estimated to cover the website update.

John Martin made motion to authorize the City of Nacogdoches to initiate a contract through Plummer with Schaffer Creative, LLC to redesign the Region I website; and authorize a not to exceed amount of \$5,000 from local funds to cover the costs. The motion was seconded by Randy Stanton and unanimously passed.

18. Public Comments – none

19. General Discussion – none

20. Set Next Meeting Date – January 15, 2020

21. Adjourn 12:25 p.m.

APPROVED THIS 15th day of January, 2020

Kelley Holcomb, Chair
ETRWPG – Region I

ATTEST:

John Martin, Secretary

Minutes approved January 15th, 2020