

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
REGION F WATER PLANNING GROUP
10:30 A.M., THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2019 AT THE OFFICE OF THE
COLORADO RIVER MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
400 E. 24TH ST. BIG SPRING, TEXAS**

The Region F Water Planning Group (WPG) met at 10:30a.m. on Thursday, November 21, 2019 at the Office of the Colorado River Municipal Water District in Big Spring, Texas. Voting members present were: John Grant, Kim Halfmann, Allison Strube, Eli Torres (Designated Alternate), Michelle Guelker, Jimmy Carlile, Kenneth Dierschke, Don Daniel, Gil VanDeVenter, Tommy Ervin, Tim Warren, Chuck Brown, Richard Gist, Raymond Straub and Ty Edwards. Non-voting members present were: Elizabeth McCoy, TWDB; Lauren Mayes, TX Dept. of Agriculture; Winton Millif, Coke County; Dale Adams, Nolan County; Jon Cartwright, Schleicher County and Diana Thomas, Sterling County. Other interested parties present were: James Beach, WSP; Yun Cho, TWDB; Jordan Skipwith, Freese & Nichols; John Ellis, TWDB; Simone Kiel and Lissa Gregg, Freese & Nichols; Howdy Lisenbee, Pecos City; Carol Craise, City of Midland; Clayton Vanerburg, TSSWCB; Cory Moore, City of Midland; John Allen and Dale Weaver, BCWID #1; Melanie Barnes, Region O; Leon Breden, LKWCD; Aaron Ramos Jr., City of Fort Stockton; Cole Walker, Kevin Krueger from Colorado River Municipal Water District.

Call to Order

Chair, John W. Grant called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. A quorum was present.

Consider Approval of Minutes of the Region F Meeting held on June 20, 2019.

Motion was made by Kenneth Dierschke and seconded by Kim Halfmann to approve the minutes, motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report

John Grant presented the financial reports for the Planning and Administrative Funds. CRMWD is the Designated Political Subdivision for Region F and contracts with the Water Development Board, manage funds and keep meeting minutes. The Administrative Fund had a balance of \$28,305.65 as of August 31, 2019 with interest earned of \$223.38 bringing the balance to \$28,529.03. The Planning Fund had a balance of \$49,293.04 as of August 31, 2019 with interest earned of \$225.04 with a 5th Cycle Contract Payment of \$169,970.00 and expenditures of \$104,658.28 bringing the balance to \$114,829.80 as of August 31, 2019. A motion was made by Allison Strube, seconded by Jimmy Carlile to accept the Financial Reports, motion passed unanimously.

Voting Membership Expired Terms and Vacancy

John Grant addressed Voting Membership Expired Terms for 2019 and Vacancies. There is a vacancy for a Public Member, Allison Strube expiration with Municipalities, Kenneth

Dierschke in Agriculture, Don Daniel in Agriculture, Caroline Runge in Environmental, Tommy Ervin in Small Business and Ava Gerke in Water District. Notice was posted and to reapply there needs to be another Voting Member Nomination Form. Scott Holland is no longer the GMA 7 representative. Information on the new representative will be forwarded.

Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding Nomination of a Region F Representative for the Interregional Planning Council

Elizabeth McCoy, TWDB Project Manager led the discussion on Appropriate Action Regarding Nomination of a Region F Representative for the Interregional Planning Council. Motion was made by Chuck Brown and seconded by Tommy Ervin for Allison Strube to be the Region F Representative and for her travel expenses to be reimbursed. The motion passed unanimously.

TWDB Report

Elizabeth McCoy, TWDB Project Manager provided updates on several topics of interest; House Bill 807, Region F Socioeconomic Impact Analysis Report and update on the Initially Prepared Plan (IPP), along with the TWDB website to access the information.

Update on Water Management Strategies

Lissa Gregg provided information on Draft Chapter 5C, Regional Water Management Strategies and Major Water Provider Water Plans.

New Legislative Requirements and Other Recommendations

Lissa Gregg then provided information on HB 807 and Drought Preparedness Council.

Presentation of Draft Chapter 7, Drought Response, Activities and Recommendations

James Beach presented a PowerPoint on Draft Chapter 7 and information on Drought Response, Activities and Recommendations.

Draft Chapter 8: Legislative Recommendations

Simone Kiel provided the group with information on Draft Chapter 8: Legislative Recommendations.

Presentation of Region F Socioeconomic Impact Analysis Results

Dr. John Ellis, TWDB presented a PowerPoint to the group on Region F Socioeconomic Impact Analysis.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting date will be Thursday, February 20, 2020.

Planning Group Comments

There were no Planning Group Comments.

Adjourn

There was no further discussion and the meeting adjourned at 12:33 P.M.

Raymond Straub, Jr., Secretary
Region F Water Planning Group

John Grant, Chair
Region F Water Planning Group

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