

Lavaca-Navidad River Authority

Minutes of August 19, 2020 Board Meeting

A meeting of the Lavaca-Navidad River Authority Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, August 19, 2020 at 7:30 a.m. in the Board Meeting Room of the Lavaca Navidad River Authority Office Complex, 4631 FM 3131, located approximately seven (7) miles east of Edna, Jackson County, Texas off FM 3131 and also was available through video teleconference. Board members present were Vice President Adelman and Directors Aimone, Johs, Kucera, Steffek, and Taylor. Director Kubecka and Director Parker attended the meeting via video conference. Also present was LNRA Staff: Brzozowski, Anders, Gregory, Hartl, Martin, Pearson, Terry, Sklar, and Crenshaw. Bill Dugat of Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta LLP and Mike Reedy of Freese and Nichols were also present via video conference.

Vice President Adelman called the meeting to order.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

General Manager's Report

- Texas Water Development Board WOW Video
- Combilift to aid in stop log project
- Community Education Center Project Update
- Texas Water Development Board – Regional Water Plan extended dates
- Aebi Mower Demonstration
- Formosa Plastics Amendment No. 4 recall provision
- West Delivery System Pump Failure
- Vibratory Monitoring Units

Consent Agenda

Vice President Adelman called for questions or comments to the Consent Agenda items as follows:

1. Consider approval of Board meeting minutes of July 15, 2020 and act as necessary.
2. Consider approval of Board workshop minutes of August 11, 2020 and act as necessary.
3. Consider acceptance of July 2020 financial statements and act as necessary.
4. Consider approval of invoices for payment and act as necessary.
5. Consider approval of budget amendments(s) and act as necessary.

Director Taylor moved to approve the Consent Agenda items 1-5 as presented. Director Steffek seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Regular Agenda

Briefing and Discussion on RFP Analysis and Recommendations

Brzowski briefed the Board on the RFP Analysis and Recommendation from HUB for LNRA employee health benefits. The Board was presented a copy of the analysis and recommendations from HUB. Management recommends continuing with Texas Municipal League for all LNRA employee health benefits as previously approved by the Board.

Director Johs moved to continue LNRA employee health benefits with Texas Municipal League as previously approved. Director Kucera seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Agreement between LNRA and U.S. Geological Survey

Brzowski briefed the Board on the proposed standard joint-funding agreement between LNRA and U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) for surface-water and water-quality data collection activities for the period from October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021. LNRA added sampling at Arenosa Creek and turbidity monitoring on Mustang Creek, resulting in an increase in cost from last year.

LNRA will contribute budgeted funds of \$91,526 and USGS will contribute \$29,810 to cover the cost of the necessary field and analytical work related to the agreement for a total of \$121,336.

The Board was presented a copy of the agreement for their review.

Director Taylor moved to approve the agreement between LNRA and USGS as presented. Director Steffek seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Budgets

The Board met on August 11, 2020 and were briefed and presented copies of the proposed Fiscal Year 2021 budgets (General Fund, Recreation, Clean Rivers Program, Wastewater Treatment Plant, West Delivery System, Mary Rhodes Phase II, and East Delivery System) and Long-Term Capital Expenditures Accrual Plan.

Brzowski briefed the Board on the proposed Fiscal Year 2021 budgets and Long-Term Capital Expenditures Accrual Plan.

Director Johs moved to approve the proposed Fiscal Year 2021 budgets as presented and to add \$180,000 to the West Delivery System budget for vibratory equipment if deemed necessary by the General Manager. Director Taylor seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Fund Balance Reallocations

Brzowski briefed the Board on proposed fund balance reallocations. The Board was presented a copy of the proposed reallocations for their review.

Director Aimone moved to approve the proposed fund balance reallocations as presented. Director Taylor seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Proposed Reserve Contingency Expenditures

Brzozowski briefed the Board on the proposed reserve contingency expenditures as follows:

Main Event Center Weather Screens \$ 3,700.00

The weather screens affected by the recoating project at the MEC have deteriorated and need replacing.

Management recommends purchasing the new screens from Kace International.

Funds are available in the Reserve Contingency Fund, Arena and Stall Barn Maintenance.

Marina Wall and Window Repair \$ 5,000.00

Funds are available in the Reserve Contingency Fund, Miscellaneous Marina Repairs.

Director Taylor moved to approve the proposed reserve contingency expenditures as presented. Director Kucera seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Additional Sandblasting at MEC

The General Manager contacted the Executive Committee for approval for additional sandblasting at the Main Event Center (MEC) as part of the MEC Structural Steel Recoating project as previously approved by the Board. The Executive Committee approved the request and associated cost of \$9,500.

Director Johs moved to ratify the Executive Committee's approval of additional sandblasting at the MEC and associated cost of \$9,500. Director Kucera seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Capital Expenditure for Heavy Equipment Attachment

At the June Board meeting, the Board approved to lease a High Flow Caterpillar Skid Steer to replace the expiring skid loader lease, in anticipation of purchasing a mulching head (rotary brush cutter). Brzozowski informed the Board that after evaluating the cost to lease or purchase a brush cutter, it was determined that purchasing a brush cutter was more cost effective.

Management recommends purchasing a Caterpillar mulching head for the skid steer from Mustang Caterpillar. The cost is \$34,231.00 and funds are available in the capital budget.

Director Steffek moved to approve the capital expenditure for the heavy equipment attachment as presented. Director Aimone seconded the motion. Motion passed.

LNRA Board Policy 502 – Land Resources

Brzozowski briefed the Board on the proposed revisions to LNRA Board Policy 502 – Land Resources. Revisions include provisions limiting LNRA's liability associated with public or private access and use of LNRA property.

The Board was presented a copy of the policy with the proposed revisions for their review.

Director Kucera moved to approve the proposed revisions to LNRA Board Policy 502 – Land Resources as presented. Director Taylor seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Lake Texana Yield Enhancement Project

The Board was presented a copy of the Freese and Nichols Status Report for July 1-31, 2020.

Brzowski informed the Board that a response from Formosa regarding the Amendment No. 4 is anticipated to be received soon. A survey of the property should be completed within the next 30 days.

The Board meeting adjourned at 8:35 a.m.

Jerry Adelman
Vice-President

Terri Parker
Secretary-Treasurer