

**Minutes of Lavaca Regional Water Planning Group
May 20, 2019
Edna, Texas**

A meeting of the Lavaca Regional Water Planning Group was held in the 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 on Monday, May 20, 2019 at noon.

Voting Group Members present were: Patrick Brzozowski, Tom Chandler, Jim Coleman, Steve Cooper, Marie Day, Neil Hudgins, Jack Maloney, Bart McBeth, , and Ed Weinheimer.

Absent Voting Group Members were: John Butschek, Richard Ottis, Edward Pustka, Robert Shoemate, Gary Skalicky, Michael Skalicky, Phillip Spenrath, and David Wagner.

Also present was: Elizabeth McCoy of Texas Water Development Board, Jaime Burke and Alicia Smiley of AECOM, Mike Rivet of Formosa Plastics Corporation, Josh Harper of Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. Also present was Ronald Kubecka, LNRA Board President, Doug Anders, LNRA Deputy General Manager, Operations, Karen Gregory, LNRA Deputy General Manager, Administration, and Scott Hartl, LNRA Assistant Manager.

Vice-Chairman Hudgins called the meeting to order.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Minutes

The minutes of the January 28, 2019 meeting were reviewed. Maloney moved to approve the minutes as presented. Cooper seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Nominations for New Voting Members

Brzozowski informed the Group that nominations were needed for new members for Lavaca County, Small Business, Jackson County, Agriculture, and Jackson County, Counties.

Briefing and Update from Texas Water Development Board

McCoy briefed the Group on 2019 Texas Legislative Bills:

- Related to the State and Regional Water Planning Process
- Related to Flood Planning and Infrastructure
Addressing the needs of stormwater management and flooding in the state. This is largely due to the damage that Hurricane Harvey affected on Texas in 2018.

McCoy informed the Group of anticipated recommendations from the Drought Preparedness Council and a template for Chapter 7 that is posted on the TWDB website.

McCoy also briefed the Group on regional water planning educational information available on TWDB's website. The Group was presented copies of the following:

- Regional Water Planning Groups in Texas: What They Do and Don't Do
- Designating Unique Stream Segments and Unique Reservoir Sites
- State Water Implementation Fund for Texas (SWIFT) Project Prioritization

Amendment to Regional Water Planning Contract with TWDB

McCoy briefed the Group on the upcoming Fall 2019 amendment to the regional water planning contract between LNRA and TWDB for additional funding in the amount of \$41,775. This will increase the committed funds to the full study cost amount.

Maloney moved to authorize Lavaca-Navidad River Authority to amend and execute their regional water planning contract with TWDB for additional funding as presented. Brzozowski seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Briefing from AECOM Consultant

Burke briefed the Group on the following:

- Project Status to Date
- Timeline

Copies of the power point with details were available for the Group's review.

Regional Water Planning Group Comments on Draft Chapter 1-4

Burke requested for the Group to review the draft chapters. The chapters are available electronically or paper copies were made available. Comments may be sent to Burke electronically or discussed at a future meeting. Comments will be presented to the Group once received.

Update RWPG on Various Strategy Evaluations

Burke updated the Group on strategy evaluations for:

- Municipal Drought Management
- Manufacturing Drought Management
- Municipal Conservation
- Conservation for Manufacturing
- El Campo Reuse

Discuss Expand Use of Groundwater Strategy and Potential MAG Peak Factor

After discussion by the Group, Weinheimer moved to not move forward with a MAG Peak Factor request. Day seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Future Meeting Dates

The Region P Group will meet in August or September after determining when a quorum of members are available.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

The meeting adjourned at 2:07 p.m.

Phillip Spenrath
Chairman