

**Minutes of Lavaca Regional Water Planning Group
March 23, 2015
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, March 23, 2015 at 1:30 p.m.

Voting Group Members present were: Patrick Brzozowski, Gerald Clark, Roy Griffin, Neil Hudgins, Jack Maloney, Robert Martin, Richard Ottis, L. G. Raun, Robert Shoemate, Michael Skalicky, Harrison Stafford II, and Ed Weinheimer.

Absent Voting Group Members were: John Butschek, Lester Little, Edward Pustka, Phillip Spenrath, and David Wagner.

Also present was: Sarah Backhouse, Jennifer White, and Kathleen Jackson of Texas Water Development Board, Jaime Burke of AECOM, Joshua Harper of Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, Stefan Schuster of MWH, Mike Rivet of Formosa, Ronald Kubecka, LNRA Board President, and Jennifer Dierlam, LNRA staff.

Chairman Stafford called the meeting to order.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Minutes

The minutes of the February 23, 2015 meeting were reviewed.

Gerald Clark moved to approve the minutes as presented. Weinheimer seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Voting Member Nominations

Brzozowski informed the Group that he made several contacts regarding potential nominees but had not received responses as of this date.

Texas Water Development Board Update

Chairman Stafford introduced Kathleen Jackson, Board Member with the Texas Water Development Board. Jackson was appointed to the TWDB Board by Governor Rick Perry in 2014. Jackson addressed the Group and stated that one of her goals is to see TWDB more efficient in developing water for Texas.

Authorize LNRA to Execute a Contract with TWDB

Backhouse informed the Group authorization was needed from LRWPG for LNRA (LRWPG political subdivision) to execute a contract with Texas Development Board (TWDB) for the fifth cycle of regional water planning.

Raun moved to approve to authorize Lavaca-Navidad River Authority (LNRA) to execute a contract with Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) on behalf of the Lavaca Regional Water Planning Group (LRWPG) for the fifth cycle of regional water planning. Skalicky seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Consultant Update

Burke briefed the Group.

Burke presented information to the Group regarding Chapters 1-4, 8. Edits were discussed. Burke will send the Group edited Chapters 1-4, based on the discussion for their review. The Group requested more time to review Chapter 8. Chapters 9, 10 and 7 have been presented to the Group for their review. The remaining Chapters will be presented to the Group for their review and edits. At the April meeting, the Group will be asked to recommend final edits to all Chapters.

Burke presented the Group a summary of Potential Management Strategies for their consideration. The Group discussed in depth the potential strategies. The Group will select and consider approval of potential water management strategies at the April meeting.

Burke also presented the Group with a schedule indicating the following:

- Initially Prepared Plan due May 1st.
 - ✓ LRWPG needs to approve the plan prior to submittal
- Public hearing to receive public comments in June or July.
- Final adopted 2016 Plan and Prioritization of 2016 Plan WMS due December 1st.

Discuss and Schedule Future Meeting Dates

The Group's next scheduled meeting is April 20, 2015 at 1:30 p.m.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Harrison Stafford II
Chairman