

**Minutes of Lavaca Regional Water Planning Group
October 26, 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, October 26, 2015 at 1:30 p.m.

Voting Group Members present were: Patrick Brzozowski, Gerald Clark, Neil Hudgins, Jack Maloney, Robert Martin, Richard Ottis, Edward Pustka, Phillip Spenrath, L.G. Raun, Robert Shoemate, Harrison Stafford II, and Ed Weinheimer.

Absent Voting Group Members were: John Butschek, Lester Little, Roy Griffin, Michael Skalicky, and David Wagner.

Also present was: Sarah Backhouse of Texas Water Development Board, Jaime Burke of AECOM, Joshua Harper of Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, Jami H. McCool of the Texas Department of Agriculture, Sandy Johs, LNRA Board member, Karen Gregory, LNRA Deputy General Manager, Administration and Doug Anders, LNRA Deputy General Manager, Operations.

Chairman Stafford called the meeting to order.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Minutes

The minutes of the April 20, 2015 and June 23, 2015 meetings were reviewed.

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

Voting Member Nominations

Brzozowski informed the Board that Roy Griffin, Electric Service, had retired from Jackson Electric Cooperative, Inc. Brzozowski has contacted Jim Coleman, General Manager of Jackson Electric Cooperative, Inc. for a potential new member. Brzozowski will report to the Group when more information is available.

Briefing on Regional Water Planning Area Boundaries

Brzozowski informed the Board that the Texas Water Development Board voted at their October meeting to make no changes at this time to the regional water planning area boundaries.

Texas Water Development Board Update

Backhouse reminded the Group of the December 1st deadline for submitting the 2016 Final Plan. She also informed the group that before any technical work takes place for the fifth planning cycle, the group will need to procure consultants and hold a public input meeting.

Backhouse also presented information on the 2016 SWIFT funding available through Texas Water Development Board.

Consultant Update

Burke discussed with the Group the following:

1. Reviewed comments from TWDB and TPWD on Initially Prepared Plan (IPP) and discussed proposed responses to comments and applicable modifications to the IPP.
2. Presented and discussed the TWDB Socioeconomic Impact Analysis of Not Meeting Water Needs for the 2016 Lavaca Regional Water Plan and discussed the inclusion of the analysis in Chapter 6 of the Final Plan.
3. Discussed TWDB Infrastructure Financing Surveys for projects with capital costs in the 2016 LRWP and addressed the inclusion the surveys in Chapter 9 of the Final Plan.
4. Presented and discuss addition of public comment material to Chapter 10 of the 2016 LRWP.
5. Presented and discussed draft prioritization of 2016 LRWP projects.
6. Discussed required final efforts to complete 2016 LRWP and schedule to complete

Burke informed the Group that based on the discussion, comments, and recommended edits from the Group today, she would send to them, prior to the next scheduled meeting, red-lined plan chapters for the group's final review. She will also include the Chapter text, plus any appendices that are either new or updated.

The Group was asked to contact her with any additional comments or edits.

Discuss and Schedule Future Meeting Dates

The Group's next scheduled meeting will be November 17, 2015 to finalize the 2016 Lavaca Regional Water Plan.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Harrison Stafford II
Chairman