

Lavaca-Navidad River Authority

Minutes of July 17, 2024 Board Meeting

A meeting of the Lavaca-Navidad River Authority Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, July 17, 2024 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 was also available through video teleconference. Board members present were President Adelman, Vice President Johs, Secretary-Treasurer Storz, and Directors Aimone, Kucera, Mitchell, Steffek, and Taylor. Also present was LNRA Staff: Brzozowski, Gregory, Anders, Hartl, Martin, Stuhrenberg, Terry, Sklar, and Crenshaw. Also present was Bill Dugat of Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta LLP, Mike Reedy and Jason Ward of Freese and Nichols, and Gloria Millsap, District Director of Senator Joan Huffman's office. Stephen Phillips of Formosa Plastics and Joshua Watson of Freese and Nichols joined the meeting via video teleconference.

President Adelman called the meeting to order. He introduced Gloria Millsap, District Director of Senator Joan Huffman's office.

Public Comments

Millsap informed the Board that Senator Huffman has an office in Lake Jackson. She welcomed the Board to visit or call with concerns or questions. Millsap also mentioned that the office were fielding many telephone calls with concerns regarding Hurricane Beryl.

General Manager's Report

- General Manager's Quarterly Report
- Interruptible Water
- End of Summer Bash – July 20, 2024
- Community Development Partnership Grants due July 26, 2024
- Lavaca Regional Water Planning Group Meeting – August 12, 2024
- 2025 Budget Workshop – August 13, 2024
- State Auditor's Office correspondence regarding Sunset Commission recommendations
- GBRA Meeting discussing water needs and water supply development

Consent Agenda

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

1. Consider approval of Board meeting minutes of June 19, 2024 and act as necessary.
2. Consider acceptance of June 2024 financial statements and act as necessary.
3. Consider approval of invoices for payment and act as necessary.
4. Consider approval of proposed reserve contingency expenditures and act as necessary.
5. Consider approval of Quarterly Investment Report as of June 30, 2024 and act as necessary.

Gregory briefed the Board on the activity of investments as reported in the Quarterly Investment Report as of June 30, 2024. Texpool earned an average rate of 5.32% while Prosperity Bank earned .30% for the quarter.

The Board was presented with a copy of the quarterly report for their review.

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

Regular Agenda

Ratification of Executive Committee's Approval

Brzowski informed the Board that the LNRA Board of Directors Executive Committee was contacted on July 2, 2024 requesting approval for necessary funds for the repair and installation of West Delivery System Intake Pump No. 1. The Executive Committee approved.

The Board was presented with a copy of the proposal from Etheredge for \$37,105 to repair and install WDS Intake Pump No. 1.

Director Steffek moved to ratify the Executive Committee's approval for necessary funds for the repair and installation of WDS Intake Pump No. 1 as presented. Director Mitchell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Brzowski informed the Board that Pump No.1 had failed since the recent repair and Etheredge was on site making the necessary repairs at no cost to LNRA.

Lake Texana Yield Enhancement Project Conceptual Mitigation Plan

Brzowski informed the Board that after reviewing GBRA's recent court ruling, nullifying GBRA's off channel permit previously issued by the Commission, LNRA identified the need to develop a Lake Texana Yield Enhancement Project Conceptual Mitigation Plan. The Plan will seek to identify potential impacts and indicate that LNRA is cognizant of the mitigation effort that might be required to develop the off-channel reservoir site.

The Board was presented with a copy of the Freese and Nichols Work Order for the LTYEP Conceptual Mitigation Plan for \$73,000.

Director Mitchell moved to approve Freese and Nichols work order for Lake Texana Yield Enhancement Project Conceptual Mitigation Plan for \$73,000 as presented. Director Kucera seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dam Safety Remediation Project

Brzowski and Watson briefed the Board on LNRA's dam safety remediation project via power point presentation.

Freese and Nichols staff and geotechnical contract drilling service have completed the boring, sampling, and installation of three (3) sites on LNRA property. A fourth location has been identified on adjoining private property. FNI staff is continuing to analyze the cutoff wall configurations and route.

Brzowski informed the Board that LNRA will meet with the water customer to establish funding during the budget process.

Briefing on East Delivery System Pipeline Relocation Project

Brzozowski briefed the Board as follows:

- Freese and Nichols Status Report as of June 2024 is attached.
- We are still waiting on Alcoa to finish the easement documents.
- We are nearing tie-in of the 57” pipeline
- Once the tie-in is complete, the abandoned portion of the 57” will be removed and final grading and cover will be done.

Briefing on Lake Texana Yield Enhancement Project

Brzozowski briefed the Board as follows:

- See attached Freese and Nichols Status Report for June 2024.
- A public meeting is set for September 24th at the Edna High School Auditorium.
- Board meeting Agenda Item No. 7, LTEP Conceptual Mitigation Plan, will support LNRA’s position at a future Commission hearing.

The Board meeting adjourned at 8:51 a.m.

Jerry L. Adelman
President

Jennifer Storz
Secretary-Treasurer