

**REGION H WATER PLANNING GROUP
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 5, 2020**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gary Ashmore, David Bailey, John Bartos, Robert Bruner, Brad Brunett, Carl Burch, James Comin, Mark Evans, Yvonne Forrest, Bob Hebert, Jace Houston, Brandon Wade, Robert Istre, Glenn Lord, Marvin Marcell, Michael Turco, Kevin Ward, and Pudge Willcox.

DESIGNATED ALTERNATES: Alisa Max for John Blount, Ken Kramer for Carl Masterson, and Jun Chang for Jimmie Schindewolf.

MEMBERS ABSENT: W.R. Baker, Art Henson, James Morrison, and William Teer.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:13 a.m.

2. INTRODUCTIONS

There were no introductions.

3. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 5, 2020 MEETING

Mr. Houston made a motion to approve the minutes of February 5, 2020. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lord and carried unanimously.

4. RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENTS ON SPECIFIC ISSUES RELATED TO AGENDA ITEMS 5 THROUGH 12

There were no public comments.

5. DISCUSS VACANCY ON THE REGION H WATER PLANNING GROUP (RHWPG) FOR A VOTING MEMBER REPRESENTING SMALL BUSINESS AND CONSIDER TAKING ACTION TO APPROVE A MEMBER TO FILL THE VACANCY ON THE RHWPG

Mr. Wade made a motion to appoint Mr. Ivan Langford to fill the vacancy of voting member representing Small Business. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hebert and carried unanimously.

6. RECEIVE UPDATE FROM CONSULTANT TEAM REGARDING THE SCHEDULE AND MILESTONES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE 2021 REGION H REGIONAL WATER PLAN (RWP)

Mr. Taucer provided information related to the remaining processes related to the development of the 2021 Region H Regional Water Plan.

7. RECEIVE UPDATE FROM CONSULTANT TEAM REGARDING THE INITIALLY PREPARED PLAN (IPP) PUBLIC AND AGENCY COMMENT PROCESS AND DISCUSS RESPONSES.

Mr. Taucer provided an overview of IPP comments and responses related to Demands and Source Availability, Water Management Strategies, other various comments, and he provided an update to the 2021 Regional Water Plan adjustments.

8. RECEIVE PRESENTATION FROM CONSULTANT TEAM REGARDING REVISIONS MADE TO THE INITIALLY PREPARED PLAN IN PREPARATION OF THE DRAFT FINAL 2021 REGION H RWP TO BE APPROVED AT A SUBSEQUENT RHWPG MEETING

Mr. Taucer provided an overview of various adjustments made to the IPP. He stated that input would be taken from the Regional Water Planning Group, incorporated into the Regional Water Plan, adopt final Regional Water Plan at the September 2, 2020, meeting, and submit the final Regional Water Plan to the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB).

9. RECEVE PRESENTATION FROM CONSULTANT TEAM REGARDING PRELIMINARY DEVELOPMENT OF THE LIST OF PRIORITIZED PROJECTS FROM THE 2021 RWP

Mr. Taucer explained the various methodologies utilized in the development of the list of prioritized projects from the 2021 Regional Water Plan. He stated that the list is scheduled for September approval and will be submitted with the final Regional Water Plan.

10. RECEIVE REPORT REGARDING RECENT AND UPCOMING ACTIVITIES RELATED TO COMMUNICATIONS AND OUT REACH EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF REGION H WATER PLANNING GROUP

Mr. Taucer stated that there were no upcoming activities scheduled as of yet.

11. AGENCY COMMUNICATIONS AND GENERAL INFORMATION

Mr. Alfaro provided information related to upcoming deadlines, future meetings, and other pertinent topics related to the Texas Water Development Board.

12. RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

13. NEXT MEETING

Mr. Evans announced that the next Region H Water Planning Group meeting is scheduled for September 2, 2020.

14. ADJOURN

Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 11:13 a.m.