

REGION C WATER PLANNING GROUP

MINUTES OF AN OPEN MEETING

APRIL 19, 2004

The Region C Water Planning Group (RCWPG) met in an open meeting on Monday, April 19, 2004, at 1:30 P.M. The meeting was held at the Central Wastewater Treatment Plant of the Trinity River Authority located at 6500 W. Singleton Boulevard, Grand Prairie, Texas. Notice of the meeting was legally posted.

Chairman Jim Parks called the meeting to order at approximately 1:30 P.M. Chairman Parks asked that individuals interested in making comments sign up on a speaker registration sheet. Jim Parks advised that the meeting would be adjourning at 2:45 p.m. to allow individuals time to attend Tom Gooch's mother's funeral in Fort Worth. Therefore, some items on the agenda would need to be moved to next month's agenda.

I. ROLL CALL

Secretary Roy Eaton conducted a roll call. The following members were in attendance:

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| Roy Eaton | Paul Phillips |
| Dale Fisseler | Marsh Rice |
| Bob Johnson | George Shannon |
| Russell Laughlin | Connie Standridge |
| Howard Martin | Danny Vance |
| Jim McCarter | Mary Vogelson |
| Jim Parks | Paul Zweiacker |

Brad Barnes, Jerry Chapman, G. K. Maenius, Elaine Petrus, and Robert Scott were absent from the roll call and the meeting. Virginia Towles of the TWDB, Adam Whisenant, of the TPWD, Jim Thompson of Region D, David Brock of Region I, and Terry Kelley of Region G were also in attendance. The registration lists signed by guests in attendance are attached.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 22, 2004

On a motion by George Shannon, seconded by Jim McCarter, the minutes of the February 12, 2004, meeting were approved by consensus.

III. ACTION ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

None

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Status of Request for Supplemental Funding

Stephanie Griffin advised that the request for supplemental funding was submitted on March 31, 2004, to the TWDB in the amount of \$442,355.55, which was \$6,000 less than anticipated due to reduced cost for notice publication.

Notices were mailed and published April 1, 2004. In accordance with action taken in March 2004, the Executive Committee approved the application prior to its submittal. The TWDB will consider the application on May 19, 2004.

B. Update Task 3 – Current Water Supplies

Stephanie Griffin updated the RCWPG on Task 3 – Current Water Supplies. Surveys have been mailed and responses requested by April 30, 2004. The consultants will follow-up with phone calls after April 30, 2004. Meetings have been scheduled with nine of the wholesale water providers.

C. Unique Stream Segments

Due to time limitations, this item was postponed until the next RCWPG meeting scheduled on May 17, 2004. Adam Whisenant advised he would be available on May 17, 2004.

D. Water Management Strategies

Stephanie Griffin reviewed the five water management strategies and the consultant's recommendation on the following:

- Voluntary Redistribution of Water Resources
 - Recommendation – Allow voluntary redistribution of water resources as needed and desired by the water right holders/owners of the resources (willing buyer/willing seller)
- Voluntary Subordination of Existing Water Rights
 - Recommendation – Not recommended for the same reasons as 2001 Plan
- Yield Enhancement
 - Recommendation – Not recommended for the same reasons as 2001 Plan, except for reservoir operation (which could include surface water or groundwater) that will be discussed separately.
- Drought Management Measures
 - Recommendation – Not recommended to provide long-term supplies for the same reasons as 2001 Plan
- Water Quality Improvement
 - Recommendation – Not recommended for the same reasons as 2001 Plan

The consultants will seek action on these strategies in May 2004.

E. Update on Water Conservation and Reuse Tasks

Brian McDonald, Alan Plummer and Associates, Inc., reviewed seasonal water usage data obtained from 145 Region C water user groups.

F. Public Participation

Janet Tucker, Cooksey Communications, Inc., reviewed the updated materials previously distributed for review. The consultants will seek approval on these materials in May 2004. She reviewed the next steps as follows:

- Finalize press kits to media
- Distribute new press kits to media
- Place new press materials on the Region C web site
- Conduct editorial board meetings with the Dallas Morning News, Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Dallas Business Journal and Fort Worth Business Press
- Conduct media overview session in June (prior to the RCWPG meeting) to provide opportunity for local media to meet the executive committee and consultants

G. Summary of Speaker Comments to RCWPG at March 22 RCWPG Meeting

Stephanie Griffin advised that the speaker comments were posted on the RCWPG website and copies were available at the sign-in table.

H. Update on Overall Status and Next Steps

Stephanie Griffin gave an update on the overall status and next steps. This included recently completed tasks as well as upcoming tasks.

V. OTHER DISCUSSION

A. Updates from the Chair

1. Update on Statewide Water Conservation Task Force

Chairman Parks updated the RCWPG on the TWDB Water Conservation Task Force.

2. Update on Regional Water Planning Group Chair Conference Call

Jim Parks update the RCWPG on the Regional Water Planning Group Chair Conference Call.

B. Report from Regional Liaisons

Reports were given by the following liaisons:

- Mike Rickman, Region D
- Paul Zweiacker, Region G
- Danny Vance, Region H
- Connie Standridge, Region I

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C. Confirm Date and Location of Next Meeting

It was the consensus of the RCWPG to hold the next meeting on Monday, May 17, 2004, at 1:30 P.M. at TRA Central Wastewater Treatment Plant.

D. Other Discussion

Chairman Parks advised that Mesa Water, Inc., would be making a presentation to the RCWPG in May 2004.

E. Acknowledgement of Guests/Comments

Robert Gresham of the Mid-East Texas Ground Water District was introduced to the RCWPG.

The following individuals provided general comments to the RCWPG:

1. Robert Gresham
2. David Nabors

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further action, the meeting of the RCWPG adjourned at approximately 2:40 P.M.

ROY EATON
Secretary