

REGION C WATER PLANNING GROUP
MINUTES OF AN OPEN PUBLIC MEETING
FEBRUARY 25, 2008

The Region C Water Planning Group (RCWPG) met in an open public meeting on Monday, February 25, 2008, at 1:00 P.M. The meeting was held at the TRA's Central Wastewater Treatment Plant located at 6500 W. Singleton Boulevard, Grand Prairie, Texas. Notice of the meeting and public hearing was legally posted.

Chairman Jim Parks called the meeting to order at approximately 1:00 P.M. Chairman Parks welcomed guests and asked that those interested in speaking complete a speaker registration form.

I. ROLL CALL

Secretary Russell Laughlin conducted a roll call. The following members or alternates were in attendance:

Steve Berry	Jody Puckett
Frank Crumb	Marion Henderson (Alt. for Robert Scott)
Russell Laughlin	Jack Stevens
Bill Lewis	Connie Standridge
Tim Fisher (Alt. for Howard Martin)	Danny Vance
Jim McCarter	Mary Vogelson
Jim Parks	Dr. Tom Woodward
Paul Phillips	

Jerry Chapman, Jerry Johnson, G. K. Maenius, and Marsh Rice were absent from the meeting. Angela Masloff of the TWDB, Adam Whisenant of the TPWD, and Terry Kelley of Region G were also in attendance.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 10, 2007

On a motion by Jack Stevens and a second by Danny Vance, the RCWPG approved the minutes of December 10, 2007, by unanimous vote.

III. ACTION ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

A. Consideration for the Approval of Technical Memorandum Summarizing Water Conservation and Reuse Survey Responses

Rick Shaffer reviewed the Technical Memorandum summarizing Water Conservation and Reuse Survey responses. Chairman Parks suggested sending this Technical Memorandum to the Water Conservation Advisory Council and it was the consensus of the RCWPG to do so.

There were no speakers registered to provide comments on this item.

The Technical Memorandum Summarizing Water Conservation and Reuse Survey response was approved by consensus of the RCWPG.

B. Consideration for the Approval of Technical Memorandum Regarding the Effectiveness of Best Management Practices

This item was changed to a discussion item due to concern over the data. Rick Shaffer reviewed the Technical Memorandum Regarding the Effectiveness of Best Management Practices. No action was taken.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Update on Special Studies

Stephanie Griffin and Brian McDonald gave an update on the following studies:

- Study 1 – Conservation and Reuse
- Study 2 – Toledo Bend
- Study 3 – Reuse Pilot Projects
- Study 4 – County Studies

Chairman Parks expressed concern over the need to clearly define definitions and values used in any GPCD calculation. Frank Crumb suggested the RCWPG take a leadership role to develop a benchmark to compare entities within the state.

B. Overview of Key Messages

Colby Walton reviewed the “Key Messages for 2007-2009 Biennium.”

C. TWDB Request for Proposals for 2009-2011 Planning

Tom Gooch reviewed the TWDB’s request for proposals for the 2009-2011 planning period. Adam Whisenant mentioned considering designation of unique stream segments. Tom Gooch advised that the RCWPG chose not to designate such segments in the past due to a lack of understanding of such designation.

D. Presentation by John Nielsen-Gammon, Office of State Climatologist

John Nielsen-Gammon presented information on climate change.

E. Schedule Update

Stephanie Griffin gave an update on the schedule from May 2008 through February 2009.

V. OTHER DISCUSSION

A. Updates from Chair

1. Study Commission on Region C Water Supply

Chairman Parks gave an update of the first meeting held on February 13, 2008, of the Study Commission on Region C Water Supply. Senator Florence Shapiro and Representative Stephen Frost were elected as Co-Presiding Officers. The Commission reviewed draft Bylaws. The Commission asked Jim Parks and Thomas Duckert to work with the TWDB to develop a Scope of Work. A date for the next meeting has not been set.

2. Water Conservation Advisory Council

Chairman Parks gave an update on activities of the Water Conservation Council.

B. Report from Regional Liaisons

A report was provided by the following liaisons/individuals:

- Angela Masloff, Region B
- Mike Rickman, Region D
- Terry Kelley, Region G
- Danny Vance, Region H

C. Report from GMA 8 Liaisons

Jim McCarter and Connie Standridge gave an update on activities of the GMA 8.

D. Report from TWDB

Angela Masloff gave a report on TWDB activities.

E. Report from Texas Parks and Wildlife

Adam Whisenant reported Carter Smith had been appointed as the Executive Director of TPWD.

F. Report from Texas Department of Agriculture

Mr. Wesley was not present; therefore, the Texas Department of Agriculture did not provide any updates.

G. Confirmation of Date and Location of Next Meeting

It was the consensus of the RCWPG to schedule the next RCWPG meeting on Monday, June 2, 2008.

H. Other Discussion

There was no other discussion.

I. Acknowledgement of Guests

There were no guests acknowledged.

J. Public Comments

There were no comments received from the public.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting of the RCWPG adjourned at approximately 4:00 P.M.

JIM PARKS
Chairman