

**SULPHUR RIVER BASIN AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
TITUS COUNTY CIVIC CENTER
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2024**

MINUTES

PRESENT: Wallace Kraft, Vice President
Kirby Hollingsworth, Director
Emily Glass, Director
Reeves Hayter, Director
Kelly Mitchell, Director

STAFF: David Weidman, Executive Director
Christi McIntosh, Administrative Assistant

ABSENT: Director Gary Cheatwood

VISITORS: Gary Boren, Kathy Boren, Randy Rushin, May Macowen, Mike Rambin, Gaye Beard, Sandy Cash

ITEM# 1: Call to Order:

Wallace Kraft, Vice President, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

ITEM# 2: Invocation:

The Invocation was given by Director Emily Glass.

ITEM# 3: Roll Call and Announcement of Quorum:

Directors Kirby Hollingsworth, Emily Glass, Reeves Hayter, Kelly Mitchell, and Vice President Wallace Kraft, in attendance, a quorum was present.

ITEM# 4: Public Comments:

None

ITEM# 5: Consent Agenda Items:

(A). Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on Approving the Minutes for January 23, 2024:

(B). Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on the Monthly Expenditure Reports:

A motion was made by Director Glass and seconded by Director Hollingsworth to approve the Consent Agenda with the corrected Minutes.

The motion carried with all members present voting AYE.

January 23, 2024, Minutes and Expenditure Reports are attached.

ITEM# 6: Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on Adopting Amended and Updated Authority Code of Ethics, Travel, Professional Services, and Management Information Policies and Approving SRBA Board Resolution R2202024-01.

A motion was made by Director Hayter and seconded by Director Hollingsworth to adopt the Amended and Updated Authority Code of Ethics, Travel, Professional Services, and Management Information Policies and Approve SRBA Board Resolution R2202024-01 with the corrections discussed.

The motion carried with all members present voting AYE.

Copy of Resolution R2202024-01 is attached.

ITEM# 7: Consideration, Discussion and Take Action on Confirming Director Fees for Office and Approving SRBA Board Resolution R2202024-02.

A motion was made by Director Hayter and seconded by Director Hollingsworth to approve Agenda Item Number Seven and SRBA Board Resolution R2202024-02.

The motion carried with all members present voting AYE.

Copy of Resolution R2202024-02 is attached.

ITEM# 8: Updates on the Clean Rivers Program (Randy Rushin-Water Monitoring Solutions).

Randy Rushin reported that the second round of monitoring has been completed, and all data has been approved for processing. The Basin Summary Report Draft has also been completed with the final due to the State on March 15, 2024. The Coordinated Monitoring Meeting will be in Hughes Springs on March 19, 2024, at NETMWD Office, and the Clean Rivers Program Stakeholders Meeting will be on March 20, 2024, at Northeast Texas Community College.

ITEM# 9: Regional Entities Reports:

(A) Riverbend Water Resources District – No Report

(B) Region D Water Planning Group- No report

(C) Region 2 Flood Planning Group- Report provided by Director Hayter.

We met February 1, in Mount Pleasant, and reelected officers for 2024. SRBA will be represented by Reeves Hayter as Chairman, and David Weidman will be an Executive Committee member for the next twelve months. Brad Thomas of Martin Springs Water Supply was added as a voting member representing water utilities. We have a candidate for our agricultural seat and hope to fill it at our next meeting, which will be April 4, 2024.

(D) Funding Partners- Provided by Sandy Cash

We are continuing to make progress on Ralph Hall. If the Board Members would like a tour of the headquarters facility and treatment for both water and sewer facilities around Lewisville, that can be made available too. We are continuing to build the lake, dam structure, and pipeline from Ralph Hall to Princeton. The bridge over the lake on Hwy 34 has been completed. Beginning in 2026, we will be taking water and sending it for treatment. Progress can be seen by visiting our website at lakeralphhall.com.

ITEM# 10: Reports and Updates from Executive Director:

(A) Appointment of Authority Board Chairman and Appointment or Re-Appointment of Open/Expired Terms. I have been in communication with the appointment's office, and we should be receiving notice of appointments to fill the vacant positions soon.

(B) Marvin Nichols Reservoir and Lake Wright Patman Reallocation Yield Update, Final Version. A summary has been provided; however, the full report is accessible in the Director Share file for you to view. We will make the report available for the public as well. I will be meeting with the partners in this report within the next thirty days.

(C) Funding Partners, Titus County Fresh Water Supply District #1. Titus County Fresh Water Supply District has joined our Funding Partners.

(D) Funding Partner Annual Report. The partnership agreement requires that we submit several reports throughout the year. The one in the packet was submitted in December, and it was well received by the partners.

(E) TCEQ Stakeholder Meeting to Gather Input on Effects of Solar, Wind, and Energy Equipment (SB1290) I attended the initial Study Kickoff Meeting. I included the information in your packet. A lot of time was spent discussing the decommissioning and not as much on the installation, which has a potential impact on river basins, so we will continue to follow up and monitor that.

(F) Texas Water Conservation Association Regional Districts and Authorities Meeting.

- i. Interacting with Local Legislative Delegations
- ii. TCEQ Management Audits
- iii. Cybersecurity/Generative AI Acceptable Use Guidelines
- iv. Sunset River Authority Consistency Review
- v. Jeff Walker, Executive Administrator- TWDB

(G) Texas Ethics Commission – Personal Financial Statement

(H) AWWA Sedimentation Article

ITEM# 11: Consideration, Discussion, and Take Action on New Business to be Placed on a Future Meeting Agenda.

ITEM# 12: Announcements from the Chairman/Board and /or Staff.

Vice President Wally Kraft stated the next meeting will be March 19, 2024.

ITEM# 13: Adjournment.

Vice President Wallace Kraft announced the meeting adjourned at 1:48 P.M.

Wallace E. “Wally” Kraft, II Vice President

Attested By: David Weidman, Secretary

THESE MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 20, 2024 WERE ADOPTED ON _____.