

**Regular Called Meeting
Riverbend Water Resources District
Board Meeting Minutes
September 28, 2022**

228 Texas Avenue, Suite A, New Boston, Texas 75570

MINUTES

I. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Establishment of Quorum and Certification of Notice

Pursuant to a notice posted on the District website, the Chair, Tina Veal-Gooch, President of the Board, called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

Directors Present:

Tina Veal-Gooch, President
Van Alexander, Vice President
Fred Milton, Secretary
Sonja Hubbard, Past President

Directors Absent:

Steve Mayo, Treasurer

Administration Present:

Kyle Dooley, Executive Director/CEO
Tara Houck, CFO
Eli Hunt, Director of Operations
Becky Melton, HR Manager/Executive Assistant

Public Present:

Please see the attached list for additional guests.

II. Invocation & Pledge

Sonja Hubbard led the invocation and the pledge of allegiance.

III. Public Comments

None.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Discussion and possible action regarding the August 24, 2022 Regular Meeting minutes.

A motion was made by Van Alexander and seconded by Fred Milton to approve the Consent Agenda Item. The motion passed unanimously.

VI. Regional Entity Reports

- A. Discussion and possible action regarding activities with Sulphur River Basin Authority (SRBA).

No report. No action taken.

- B. Discussion and possible action regarding activities with TexAmericas Center (TAC).

Scott Norton, Executive Director, provided that the TAC board met yesterday with 36 items on the agenda for discussion and or approval. A company that is buying the spec building from TAC signed the contract last week. Rowe Casa is buying 24,000 square feet of space for their operations, production, and shipping. There is another company buying "F-Line" plus 45 acres of land. Their budget was also approved yesterday. An interlocal agreement with Bowie County was also approved for a Texas Rural Business Fund Grant on TAC's behalf. An alteration to their legislation will be sought after for their third party logistics services to fulfill requests to perform services that the existing charter does not allow. In addition, these changes to their legislation would allow them to do work that could potentially bring business to RRAD and or the TAC footprint.

No action taken.

- C. Discussion and possible action regarding activities with Ar-Tex REDI.

Sonja Hubbard provided information that discussions are still ongoing with entities interested in the available tracts of land in Texas and in Arkansas.

No action taken.

Additional news: Sharon Elkins provided that Representative VanDeaver is planning a Fall Townhall meeting in Texarkana at Texarkana College on October 14th. Judge Bobby Howell provided that Bowie County budget was approved in August.

VII. Agenda Items for Individual Consideration

- A. Discussion and possible action regarding approval of a resolution adopting the Member Entities' True-Up for use in FY 2023.

Kyle Dooley provided that TWU made their annual presentation of the Member Entities' True-Up report on Wednesday, July 13th. The proposed water production rate is shown to increase from \$1.0043/1000 Gallons used to \$1.2341/1000 Gallons used. This is a 22.88% increase overall. The administrative overhead cost is proposed to go from 6.11% to 6.57%. The board has had this item on the past two agendas to allow for any questions or comments from members. Staff has not received any comments or questions since the July 13th meeting.

A motion was made by Fred Milton and seconded by Van Alexander to approve RWRD RESO 20220928-01 adopting the Member Entities' True-Up for use in FY 2023. The motion passed unanimously.

- B. Discussion and possible action regarding approval of a resolution appointing the officers of the Board of Directors for FY 2023.

Kyle Dooley provided that the Directors have followed a rotation system for officers each year. This allows for maximum participation and leadership opportunities for each director. Following that system, the proposed officers for this year would be:

Van Alexander, President
Steve Mayo, Vice President
Fred Milton, Treasurer
Sonja Hubbard, Secretary
Tina-Veal Gooch, Past President

A motion was made by Sonja Hubbard and seconded by Van Alexander to approve RWRD RESO 20220928-02 appointing the officers of the Board of Directors for FY 2023 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

- C. Discussion and possible action regarding the Riverbend Calendar and Board Meeting Schedule for FY 2023.

Kyle Dooley provided that the yearly calendar has been presented and approved without a resolution. The proposed calendar and board meeting schedule for FY 2023 is attached in the packet for consideration.

A motion was made by Fred Milton and seconded by Sonja Hubbard to approving the Riverbend Calendar and Board Meeting Schedule as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

- D. Discussion and possible action regarding approval of a resolution adopting the Revised 2022 Administrative Member Fund Budget, the Revised 2022 Wet Utilities Fund Budget, and the Revised 2022 Regional Water System Facilities Fund Budget of Riverbend Water Resources District.

Tara Houck, CFO, presented the Revised 2022 Administrative Member Fund Budget, the Revised 2022 Wet Utilities Fund Budget, and the Revised 2022 Regional Water System Facilities Fund Budget.

A motion was made by Sonja Hubbard and seconded by Fred Milton to approve RWRD RESO 20220928-03 adopting the Revised 2022 Administrative Member Fund Budget, the Revised 2022 Wet Utilities Fund Budget, and the Revised 2022 Regional Water System Facilities Fund Budget of Riverbend Water Resources District. The motion passed unanimously.