

MINUTES OF THE
TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD
BOARD MEETING
April 10, 2015

Chairman Carlos Rubinstein called to order the meeting of the Texas Water Development Board at 9:30 a.m. in Room 1-111 of the William B. Travis Building, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. In addition to Chairman Rubinstein, Directors Kathleen Jackson and Bech Bruun were also in attendance, and a quorum was present.

The General Counsel announced the first item for consideration:

1. DISCUSSION REGARDING OUTREACH EFFORTS AND ACTIVITIES BY THE BOARD.

No action was taken on this item.

2. CONSIDER APPROVING BY RESOLUTION A REQUEST FROM THE CITY OF MART (MCLENNAN COUNTY) FOR \$102,719 IN LOAN FORGIVENESS FROM THE DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND TO FINANCE THE PLANNING AND DESIGN OF WATER INTAKE STRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS TO ADDRESS AN URGENT NEED RELATED TO DROUGHT. Brenner Brown, Water Supply and Infrastructure, presented this item.

Director Bruun moved to adopt the proposed Resolution providing the City of Mart financial assistance from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund to finance the planning and design of water intake structure improvements to address an urgent need related to drought, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Director Jackson; it passed unanimously.

3. CONSIDER APPROVING BY RESOLUTION A REQUEST FROM THE CITY OF PORT ARTHUR (JEFFERSON COUNTY) TO AMEND TWDB RESOLUTION NO. 14-48 AUTHORIZING A \$1,035,000 INCREASE IN FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR A TOTAL LOAN OF \$6,995,000 FROM THE CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND TO FINANCE PLANNING AND DESIGN COSTS RELATING TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT. James Bronikowski, Water Supply and Infrastructure, presented this item. Dr. Jimmie Johnson also addressed the Board.

Director Jackson moved to adopt the proposed Resolution amending TWDB Resolution No. 14-48 to provide to the City of Port Arthur an increase in financial assistance from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund to finance planning and design costs relating to the construction of a new wastewater treatment plant, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Director Bruun; it passed unanimously.

4. CONSIDER APPROVING BY RESOLUTION A REQUEST FROM THE CITY OF PORT ARTHUR (JEFFERSON COUNTY) TO AMEND TWDB RESOLUTION NO. 14-49

AUTHORIZING A \$710,000 INCREASE IN FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR A TOTAL LOAN OF \$2,080,000 FROM THE DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND TO FINANCE PLANNING AND DESIGN COSTS RELATING TO WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF NEW DISTRIBUTION LINES TO ADDRESS WATER LOSS AND LOW PRESSURE. James Bronikowski, Water Supply and Infrastructure, presented this item.

Director Bruun moved to adopt the proposed Resolution amending TWDB Resolution No. 14-49 to provide to the City of Port Arthur an increase in financial assistance from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund to finance planning and design costs relating to water main replacement and the construction of new distribution lines to address water loss and low pressure, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Director Jackson; it passed unanimously.

5. CONSIDER APPROVING BY RESOLUTION A REQUEST FROM THE WHITE RIVER MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT (CROSBY, DICKENS, AND GARZA COUNTIES) FOR \$500,000 IN LOAN FORGIVENESS FROM THE DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND TO FINANCE THE PLANNING, DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF A PROJECT CONSISTING OF TWO NEW WATER WELLS, A NEW STORAGE TANK, AND IMPROVEMENTS ON THEIR WELL FIELD PUMPING STATION TO ADDRESS AN URGENT NEED RELATED TO DROUGHT. Lee Huntoon, Water Supply and Infrastructure, presented this item.

Director Jackson moved to adopt the proposed Resolution providing the White River Municipal Water District financial assistance from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund to finance the planning, design and construction of a project on their well field pumping station to address an urgent need related to drought, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Director Bruun; it passed unanimously.

6. CONSIDER APPROVING BY RESOLUTION A REQUEST FROM THE CITY OF BALLINGER (RUNNELS COUNTY) TO AMEND TWDB RESOLUTION NO. 14-27, BY EXTENDING THE COMMITMENT PERIOD TO FINANCE WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS THROUGH THE DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND. Lee Huntoon, Water Supply and Infrastructure, presented this item. Bryan Grimes, City Manager, City of Ballinger, also addressed the Board.

Director Bruun moved to adopt the proposed Resolution amending TWDB Resolution No. 14-27 to extend the commitment period to April 30, 2016, to finance water system improvements through the Drinking Water State Revolving, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Director Jackson; it passed unanimously.

7. CONSIDER AFFIRMING BY RESOLUTION THE COMMITMENT TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND TO THE CITY OF WEINERT (HASKELL COUNTY) MADE IN TWDB RESOLUTION NO. 15-005 AND

CONCURRING IN THE EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATOR'S ENVIRONMENTAL FINDING.
Nicki Hise, Water Supply and Infrastructure, presented this item.

Director Jackson moved to adopt the proposed Resolution affirming the commitment to provide financial assistance from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund to the City of Weinert made in TWDB Resolution No. 15-005, and concurring in the Executive Administrator's environmental finding.

The motion was seconded by Director Bruun; it passed unanimously.

8. CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATOR TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE CONTRACTS FOR THE FIFTH CYCLE (2017-2021) OF REGIONAL WATER PLANNING IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,649,885; AND TRANSFER FUNDS FROM THE WATER ASSISTANCE FUND TO THE RESEARCH AND PLANNING FUND. Temple McKinnon, Water Supply and Infrastructure, presented this item.

Director Bruun moved to authorize the Executive Administrator to negotiate and execute contracts for the fifth cycle of regional water planning in an amount not to exceed \$1,649,885; and transfer funds from the Water Assistance Fund to the Research and Planning Fund.

The motion was seconded by Director Jackson; it passed unanimously.

9. No public comments were received.

10. The Board did not meet in closed session.

Chairman Rubinstein adjourned the meeting at 9:57 a.m.

APPROVED and ordered of record this, the 10th day of April, 2015.

TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Carlos Rubinstein, Chairman

DATE SIGNED: _____

ATTEST:

Kevin Patteson,
Executive Administrator