

MINUTES OF THE
TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD
BOARD MEETING
May 19, 2016 – 1:30 P.M.

Chairman Bech K. Bruun called to order the meeting of the Texas Water Development Board at 1:30 p.m. in Room 170 of the Stephen F. Austin Building, 1700 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. In addition to Chairman Bruun, Directors Kathleen Jackson and Peter Lake 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. CONSIDERATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF AN INTERIM EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATOR, AND/OR AN EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATOR.

Chairman Bruun moved to appoint Jeff Walker to serve as the Agency's Executive Administrator effective immediately, for a salary equivalent to the amount appropriated for the Executive Administrator position in Article Six of the 84th Legislature's General Appropriations Act, as originally passed.

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

3. BRIEFING AND DISCUSSION ON THE QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT FOR THE PERIOD DECEMBER 1, 2015 THROUGH FEBRUARY 29, 2016. Cindy Demers, Chief Financial Officer, presented this item.

No action was taken on this item.

4. CONSIDER AMENDING TWDB RESOLUTION NO. 15-104, AS AMENDED BY TWDB RESOLUTION NO. 15-140, FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT OF THE COSTS OF ADDITIONAL LOANS THROUGH THE ISSUANCE, SALE AND DELIVERY OF UP TO \$11,450,000 OF WATER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS. David Duran, Debt and Portfolio Management, presented this item.

Director Jackson moved to adopt the proposed Resolution amending Board Resolution No. 15-104, as amended by Resolution No. 15-140 for the reimbursement of the costs of additional loans through the issuance, sale and delivery of up to \$11,450,000 of Water Financial Assistance General Obligation Bonds, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

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

5. CONSIDER APPROVING BY RESOLUTION, A REQUEST FROM THE SUNBELT FRESH WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT (HARRIS COUNTY) FOR A \$4,075,000 LOAN FROM THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT FUND TO FINANCE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION COSTS FOR THE REHABILITATION OF EXISTING SANITARY LINES, SEWER SERVICE CONNECTIONS, AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW WATER WELL. Nancy Richards, Water Supply and Infrastructure, presented this item.

Director Lake moved to adopt the proposed Resolution providing the Sunbelt Fresh Water Supply District financial assistance from the Texas Water Development Fund to finance design and construction costs for the rehabilitation of existing sanitary lines, sewer service connections, and the construction of a new water well, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

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

6. CONSIDER APPROVING BY RESOLUTION A REQUEST FROM THE NEW ULM WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION (AUSTIN & COLORADO COUNTIES) FOR \$200,000 IN LOAN FORGIVENESS FROM THE DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND TO FINANCE CONSTRUCTION COSTS FOR A NEW GROUND STORAGE TANK. Nancy Richards, Water Supply and Infrastructure, presented this item. David Northrup, Board Member, New Ulm Water Supply Corporation, also addressed the Board. Lynette Frnka, Manager, New Ulm Water Supply Corporation, registered her support in favor of this item.

Director Jackson moved to adopt the proposed Resolution providing the New Ulm Water Supply Corporation financial assistance from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund to finance construction costs for a new ground storage tank, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

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

7. CONSIDER APPROVING BY RESOLUTION A REQUEST FROM THE CITY OF SWEETWATER (NOLAN COUNTY) FOR A \$5,000,000 LOAN FROM THE DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND TO FINANCE THE PLANNING, DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS. Caaren Skrobarczyk, Water Supply and Infrastructure, presented this item.

Director Lake moved to adopt the proposed Resolution providing the City of Sweetwater financial assistance from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund to finance the planning, design and construction of water system improvements, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

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

8. CONSIDER APPROVING BY RESOLUTION A REQUEST FROM THE BLUEGROVE

WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION (CLAY COUNTY) FOR \$90,000 IN LOAN FORGIVENESS FROM THE DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND TO FINANCE WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS. Caaren Skrobarczyk, Water Supply and Infrastructure, presented this item.

Director Jackson moved to adopt the proposed Resolution providing the Bluegrove Water Supply Corporation financial assistance from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund to finance water system improvements, as recommended by the Executive Administrator.

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

The Chairman recognized Ryan Alter, Senator Sylvia Garcia's Office, who registered his support in favor of Item #5 concerning Sunbelt Fresh Water Supply District.

9. BRIEFING AND DISCUSSION ON COMMENTS RECEIVED ON THE DRAFT 2017 STATE WATER PLAN AND CONSIDER ADOPTION OF THE 2017 STATE WATER PLAN. Matt Nelson, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item.

Director Lake moved to adopt the 2017 State Water Plan, as recommended today by the Executive Administrator, and authorize the Executive Administrator to make non-substantive changes to conform with all printing and publication requirements.

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

10. CONSIDER APPROVING THE ADOPTED MINOR AMENDMENT TO THE 2016 REGION G REGIONAL WATER PLAN; AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATOR TO DEVELOP THE CORRESPONDING AMENDMENT TO THE 2017 STATE WATER PLAN WITH ASSOCIATED PUBLIC HEARING. Tom Barnett, Water Supply & Infrastructure, presented this item.

Director Jackson moved to approve the adopted minor amendment to the 2016 Region G Regional Water Plan; and authorize the Executive Administrator to develop an amendment to the 2017 State Water Plan with associated public hearing.

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

11. BRIEFING AND DISCUSSION ON DROUGHT CONDITIONS IN THE STATE OF TEXAS. Mark Wentzel, Water Science & Conservation, presented this item.

No action was taken on this item.

12. No public comments were received.

13. The Board did not meet in closed session.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:19 p.m.

APPROVED and ordered of record this, the 19th day of May, 2016.

TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Bech K. Bruun, Chairman

DATE SIGNED: _____

ATTEST:

Jeff Walker,
Executive Administrator