

**Minutes of the North East Texas Regional Water Planning Group
July 28, 2011 – 1:00 P.M.
Mount Pleasant Civic Center
1800 N. Jefferson
Mount Pleasant, Texas**

The North East Texas Regional Water Planning Group (NETRWPG) – Region D met in an open meeting on Thursday, July 28, 2011, at 1:00 P.M. The meeting was held at the Mount Pleasant Civic Center, 1800 N. Jefferson, in Mount Pleasant, Texas. Notice of the meeting was legally posted.

Chairman Bret McCoy called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. A quorum was present. Twenty-one of twenty-four voting members were present in person or by an authorized alternate. Invocation was given by Bob Staton.

The following voting members were present:

Adam Bradley	Robert Holt
Greg Carter	Sam Long
Nancy Clements	Bret McCoy
Darwin Douthit	Sharron Nabors
Mike Dunn	Don Patterson
Jim Eidson	Linda Price
Charles Gillis	Shirley Shumake
Darrell Grubbs	Kevin Spence
Troy Henry	Bob Staton
Don Hightower	Doug Wadley

The following alternates were present:

Dwight Slaback for Jeremy Dumond

The following non-voting members were present:

Sandy Cash, representing UTRWD
Temple McKinnon, representing TWDB
Troy Sellars, representing Luminant
Larry LeBeau, representing TPWD

The following non-voting members were absent:

Curtis Campbell	Thomas Taylor
Jerry Clark	Bobby Praytor
David Inman	David Meesey
Robert McCarthy	Marcia Hackett
Mike Rickman	Worth Whitehead

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The following voting members were absent:

Jeremy DuMond
Jim Nickerson

Ken Shaw
Michael Brown

Don Hightower made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting for June 21, 2011. Jim Eidson seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Chairman McCoy informed the planning group that three of the eight expiring terms were non-term limited members who had agreed to continue to serve. These members include: Mike Dunn, from Rains County, representing Municipalities, Sam Long, from Delta County, representing Counties and Bret McCoy, from Morris County, representing Small Business. Mr. McCoy also informed the group the Executive Committee was recommending the following nominees: Robert Speight, Jr., from Harrison County, representing Water Utilities, Tommy Slater, from Titus County, representing Steam Generation, Jerry Gaskill, from Wood County, Tim Nicholson, from Camp County and Johnny Mack Bradley, from Marion County, representing Agriculture. Motion was made by Darwin Douthit that the nominees recommended by the Executive Committee be selected for the terms starting on September 1, 2011. The motion was seconded by Linda Price. The motion carried, all voting aye. It was noted that a vote was needed for the incumbents as well. A motion was made by Don Hightower to accept the nominations of Mike Dunn, Sam Long and Bret McCoy to fill their expiring terms. The motion was seconded by Sharron Nabors. The motion carried unanimously.

Walt Sears reported the contract from TWDB had been received and was slightly more than \$250,000. Mr. Sears stated modest adjustments would need to be made to save money such as emailing voting members' information packets and the discontinuance of the preparation of newsletters and press releases. Mr. Sears also presented information to the group regarding the drought and water systems that were now limiting water use.

Chairman McCoy reported the Executive Committee had chosen three liaisons to SRBA: Bret McCoy, Doug Wadley and Jim Eidson. Reports from liaisons included Bob Staton reporting on Lindale School situation regarding artificial turf and a plugged well. Temple McKinnon, representing TWDB, informed the group TWDB is working on a State Water Plan, which will likely be posted on September 22 for public comment. Six or seven Public Meetings are anticipated in October as part of the review process for the State Plan. Ms. McKinnon also stated that SB 660 required GMA's to appoint a voting member to the Regional Planning Group if there is a Groundwater Conservation District in the region. She pointed out that Region D has no GCD and will not be affected by SB 660 at this point.

Motion was made by Shirley Shumake to approve the next meeting of the Region D for September 15, 2011. The motion was seconded by Bob Staton. The motion carried with all voting aye.

Chairman McCoy asked if there was anyone from the public that would like to address the voting membership. John McConnell, from the Red River County area spoke. Don

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Hightower also addressed the group. Mr. McCoy then expressed appreciation for the outgoing members. The outgoing members are Greg Carter, Ken Shaw, Jim Nickerson, Adam Bradley and Don Hightower.

On a motion from Bob Staton and a second by Linda Price, the meeting was adjourned. Motion carried, all voting aye.


Bob Staton, Secretary

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES:

Walt Sears, Jr.	NETMWD
Jenny McKinney	NETMWD
Judy Barton	Titus County Fresh Water District
Richard LeTourneau	Longview
Stan Hayes	Hayes Engineering
Bill Kirby	SRA
Brandy Chewning	Texarkana Gazette
Jerry Gaskill	Quitman
David Nabors	Paris
Lee McNeely	TFS
Richard Zachary	CSSUD
Tommy Slater	SWEPCO
John McConnell	Bogata
Jimmy Hair	Canton
Sheri New	IP
Charleen Granberry	Douglasville
Bessie N. Heath	Douglasville
Patricia Wommack	SRBA
Tim Nicholson	Pittsburg
Lawrence Greer	Canton
Mick Greer	Canton
Evan Lewis	Texarkana Gazette
Sara Whitaker	IP
Wendell Davis	Clarksville
William Brown	NETMWD
Nina Holt	Bogata
Mary Catherine Grant	Annona