

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SAN JACINTO RIVER AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 12, 2019**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the San Jacinto River Authority was held at 8:00 a.m., December 12, 2019, at the Jacinto River Authority General and Administration Building, a notice of said meeting was posted as required by law. President Lloyd Tisdale, Vice-President Ronnie Anderson, Treasurer Mark Micheletti, Secretary Kaaren Cambio, Assistant Secretary Ed Boulware, and Board Members Jim Alexander and Brenda Cooper were present. General Manager Jace Houston, Deputy General Manager Ron Kelling, Director of Financial and Administrative Services Tom Michel, Director of Water Resources and Flood Management Chuck Gilman, Director of Communications and Public Affairs Heather Ramsey Cook, Woodlands Division Manager Chris Meeks, GRP Division Manager Mark Smith, Lake Conroe Division Manager Bret Raley, Highlands Division Manager Kimberly Wright, Administrative Services Manager Cynthia Bowman, and General Counsel Mitchell Page were in attendance.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:06 a.m.

2. PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledges of Allegiance were led by Mr. Anderson. Following the Pledges of Allegiance, Mr. Houston paid tribute to former San Jacinto River Authority General Manager Reed Eichelberger, who recently passed away.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following persons spoke in favor of the temporary lake lowering strategy: David Feille, Owen Parker, Rigby Owen, Bob Rehak, Tim Garfield, and Dee Price.

The following persons spoke in opposition to the temporary lake lowering strategy: Matt Newsome, Rich Cutler, Roy Badgett, Laronda Zurovec, Jack Patton, Nicholas Matson, Mark Hubenak, Gary Sauder, Jonathan Green, Kevin Lacy, Nancy Garner, Ron Liston, Randy Moravec, Ron Smith, Joe Harris, Robert Langston, Bill McDougal, and Gwen Stone.

Furthermore, the following persons registered their opposition to the temporary lake lowering strategy: Jonathan Woodall, Robert Estes, Hollis Perkins, Russell and Sadie Hooker, Glenn Troutman, Bob Dimitroff, Wayne Mathews, Johnny Tramel, Jim Winkler, William Dunn, Carol Ploetz, Basmir Kaleilat, Rudy Okruhlik, Kurt Heidermann, Darrel Kirtley, David Perciful, John Manix, Melissa Manix, John Beaty, Tom Faust, Dan Krueger, Arthur Balsamo, Steve Lutte, Garry Plotkin, John Courtney, Mindy Canter, Connie Winn, Gary and Ana Gordon, Jeff Turner, Gary W. Eiland, David Gutierrez, Tara Agen, Erich Birch, Paula Taggart, Deborah Spradlin, Max Tezanos, Terry Plunk, John and Deb Zimmer, Bobby Butler and Susan Spurlock, Kelly and Jim Vachon, Mark Field, Doug Dobson, James Shirley, Robert Kline, Daniel McCormick, Dustin Zito, Matt Little, Gary Moore, Stephanie Johnson, Teresa Vitz, Dale Mewes, Billy Powers, Susan Greer, Donna Stevens, Vance Stevens, Charles Jalufka, July Jalufka, Ken Somers, Dottie Gautreaux, David Harrell, Bruce Cabness, Ken Matre, Jan Matre, John Olson, Karla Todd, Mike Todd, Mark Crosby, Robert Vining, David Brock, Joseph Russell, Paul Sullivan, David Cantrell, Mary Kelton, Michael Kelton, Charlotte Dobson, Karl

Robichaux, Michael Neubeike, Linda Winkle, Dirk Binau, Don Winkle, Richard Sivley, Laura Piland, Sandra Westcott, Jackie Burns, Steve Keating, Joe Rossi, S. Lucy Stewan, John Stewart, Mandy Parrish, Scott Westra, Julie Anders, Jimmy Anders, James Schwieger, Mark Adalis, Emelda and Roy Ochoa, V.E. Coleman, Chris Hallgren, James Barkley, Brent Thor, Joe Kuntz, Bobby Williams, Preston Pitts, Jim Hostetler, Denise Null, Wade Kotter, Mona Hudgens, Kenneth Hudgens, Darby Theilren, Ann Gordon, Travis Payne, Doug Netzhammer, Jan and Jim Lee, Rodney Brunstetter, Volker Schmidt, Richard Mazzola, Karen Acost, Sherilyn Ivey, Michael Harris, Robert Harroun, Becky Lutte, Donna Stovall, Jimmy Wesolick, Darrell Hollek, Sophia Manix, Thomas L. Russell, Dale R. Elliott, Lisa and Steve Davis, Debra Penshorn, Joe Elam, Gary Fransen, Randy and Mary Ann Laird, Carter Henson, Clinton Pendleton, Robert Rosenfield, Michael Mrozik, Ron Olson, Charles Pohla, Janet Pohla, Tammy Robichaux, Amy Witten, Wendy Logsdon, Virginia Dunn, Ashley Griggs, Sherri Griggs, Darin and Valerie Cesan, Dean Einstein, Lynn Noel, Dave Noel, David Nielsen, Sue Nielsen, Lola McLaughlin, Cynthia Dimitroff, Patricia Kolkmeier, Gail Nixon, Dan Goodall, Robert E. Morgan, Sabine Chamberlain, George Chamberlain, Cheryl Morris, John Morris, Donna Austin, Bonnie Kindall, Gregory Kindall, Richard Yoder, Robert Hardy, Maria Hardy, Martha and Paul Ezell, Lynda Troutman, Michael Chambers, Pamela Doty, Steven D. Seltz, Rick Herring, Elizabeth Debaillon, Teresa Latsis, David Miller, Fred Halperin, Barbara Shirley, W.T. Sappenfield, Craig Boyce, Lauren Reed, Keith Reed, Sam Sutherland, Les O'Brien, Bill Ward, Bailey Burns, Vernon Sage, Mark Null, Staci Burns, Kim Prezioso, Armand Prezioso, Russel Larson, Michael Nesbit, Jerry Harris, Will Fisher, Mike Payne, Marsue Ferguson, Marina Avonovich, Mary Miller, Dennis Miller, Michael Latsis, Steve Branning, Edward Rick, Todd Lee, Gordon Silkwood, Weldon Willig, Lisa Rush, Jerry Rush, Brenda Badgett, Barbara Cutler, Mark Wofford, Peggy Taylor, Steven Pontious, Elizabeth Potts, Gary Potts, John Martin, Kathy Tweeton, Kay Walker Majewsky, Earl Majewsky, Gary Gibson, Barry Bagley, Randy Collins, Larry Schiller, Cynthia Norman, Charles Norman, Susan Johnson, Teresa Bushman, Susan Loegening, Rebecca Davis, Derek Davis, Carl Seidule, Karla Seidule, Shawna King, Malinda Gerich, Robert Howell, David Hartman, Devoni Wardlow, Brenda Gyoerkoes, James Stegeman, Linda Stegeman, Belinda Hamilton, Pamela Zinnarte, Yoselyn Langston, Kathryn Hernandez, Bruce Harkness, Teresa Schroder, Thomas Schroder, Pat and Mike Patitucci, Kathy and Ronnie Rector, Debra Smith, Maricela Rodriguez, Douglas Smith, Lisa Caskey, Rebecca Allen, Bobby Allen, Jay Whited, Clark Smith, Sharon Bussell, Paul Yount, Thomas Low, Debi Brown, Dennis Brown, Jamie Yancy, Matt Lausberry, Jade Roe and Sam Perry, Bradley Schaak, David Guzman, Christy Lovelace, William Paul Waits, Michael Berger, Scott Sustman, Grant Gibbons, Blake Lovelace, Jason White, Mark Fuller, Kathryn Schleper, Amy Schnell, Ronnie Rector, Faith Julian, George Tolar, Chris Findley, David Heath Trull, Jack and Janet Tuxhorn, Linda Pierce, Dava King, Robert Bussell, Lara Glynn, James Newport, Denise Newport, Jeff Webb, Sam Harris, Johnny Kopecky, J.A. Hurley, III, Kellie Hurley, Linda Frederick, Steve Frederick, Juanita Guzman, Shannon Honeycutt, Thomas and Colleen Low, George Winters, Clint Honeycutt, Alfred Trull, C. Shawn Barker, Leah Barker, Mike and Carol Berger, Michael and Vivian Sabba, Kevin Voss, Dennis Davidson, Kellie and LaMarr Anderson, Susan C. Dieterich, John W. Miller, Stephen P. Valleskey, Sam Plunk, Thomas W. Low, and Jeremy Chaffin.

The following persons provided a registration form but did not indicate a specific position on any issue: Thomas Murphy, Terry Karka, Ben Perez, Byron Collins, E. Michael White, Allen Teague, Phillip Grey, Jerry Bushman, Richard King, Robbie Wilhelm, Kevin Doris, Craig Mitchell, Bennie Groendyke, Joan Saladino, Dee Saladino, Gordon Caskey, David Hartman, Larry Odelius, Anne Gordon, and Bob Kline.

4. DIVISION UPDATES

a. G & A:

Mr. Houston gave an update about regional water planning.

b. G & A:

Ms. Cook provided a brief update related to the monthly newsletter and the San Jacinto Regional Watershed Master Drainage Plan public meetings.

c. G & A:

Mr. Michel provided no update.

d. Woodlands:

No update was provided by the Woodlands Division.

e. GRP:

No update was provided by the GRP Division.

f. Lake Conroe:

No update was provided by the Lake Conroe Division.

g. Highlands:

No update was provided by the Highlands Division.

h. Flood Management:

No update was provided by the Flood Management Division.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Cambio made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as recommended. The motion was seconded by Mr. Alexander and carried unanimously.

a. Approval of Minutes

Approve Regular Meeting Minutes of October 24, 2019.

b. Unaudited Financials for the Month of October, 2019

Approve the unaudited financials for the month of October, 2019.

c. Quarterly Investment Report for the Quarter Ended November 30, 2019

Approve the Quarterly Investment Report for the Quarter Ended November 30, 2019.

d. Miscellaneous Services Agreement for Levee Rehabilitation Downstream of Siphon 21

Authorize the General Manager to execute a Miscellaneous Services Agreement with R&T Ellis, Inc., in the amount of \$959,498.50, for Levee Rehabilitation Downstream of Siphon 21 in the Highlands and contract modifications up to \$75,000.

e. Work Order No. 2 for Construction Phase Services and Construction Management and Inspection for Levee Rehabilitation Downstream of Siphon 21

Authorize the General Manager to execute Work Order No. 2 with Texas Water Engineering, PLLC, in an amount not to exceed \$75,060.84, for construction phase services, construction management, and inspection for Levee Rehabilitation Downstream of Siphon 21 in Highlands.

f. Professional Services Agreement and Work Order No. 1 for Update of the Highlands Reservoir Dam Emergency Action Plan

Authorize the General Manager to execute professional services agreement and Work Order No. 1, with Freese and Nichols, Inc., in the amount of \$134,303, for professional engineering services for an update of the Highlands Reservoir Dam Emergency Action Plan.

6. REGULAR AGENDA

Mr. Aaron Schindewolf, Division Engineer, presented information related to the Rehabilitation of the Bear Branch Gravity Main project. Mr. Anderson made a motion to approve items 6a1 through 6a3. The motion was seconded by Mr. Micheletti and carried unanimously.

a. WOODLANDS

1. Construction Contract for Rehabilitation of Bear Branch Gravity Main

Authorize the General Manager to execute a construction contract with SAK Construction, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$9,640,910, for Rehabilitation of Bear Branch Gravity Main in The Woodlands, and contract modifications up to \$75,000.

2. Professional Services Agreement and Work Order No. 1 for Construction Management and Inspection Services for Rehabilitation of Bear Branch Gravity Main

Authorize the General Manager to execute a professional services agreement and Work Order No. 1, with ARKK Engineers, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$697,103.24, for construction management and inspection services for Rehabilitation of Bear Branch Gravity Main in The Woodlands.

3. Work Order No. 2 for Construction Materials Testing Services for Rehabilitation of Bear Branch Gravity Main

Authorize the General Manager to execute Work Order No. 2 with Geotest Engineering, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$9,442.50, for construction materials testing services for Rehabilitation of Bear Branch Gravity Main in The Woodlands.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The meeting was convened in executive session at 9:41 a.m., under the following provisions:

- a.** Discussion regarding items identified elsewhere on the agenda pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Real Property), 551.073 (Prospective Gifts), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), or 551.076 (Security Devices), as applicable.

- b. Consultations with attorney, pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 regarding:
 1. Litigation related to Hurricane Harvey, including additional legal services to be provided by Hunton Andrews Kurth, LLP;
 2. Litigation related to GRP water line breaks (Line Segments W2A and W2B); and
 3. Expedited Declaratory Judgement Act litigation and/or litigation related to GRP, including additional legal services to be provided by Yetter Coleman, LLP.

8. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The meeting was called into open session at 10:45 a.m. Mr. Micheletti made a motion to approve additional legal services to be provided by Yetter Coleman, LLP, for the Expedited Declaratory Judgement Act litigation related to GRP. The motion was seconded by Mr. Boulware and carried unanimously. Ms. Cambio made a motion to designate the Lone Star Convention Center as a meeting place for the January Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Micheletti and carried unanimously.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS / FUTURE AGENDA

Mr. Tisdale announced that the next San Jacinto River Authority Board Meeting will take place on January 23, 2020.

10. ADJOURN

Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 10:48 a.m.


 Kaaren Cambio
 Secretary, Board of Directors

