

## **GRP REVIEW COMMITTEE** MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

### MAY 24, 2021

The San Jacinto River Authority (SJRA) GRP Review Committee Meeting was held at 11:30 a.m., May 24, 2021 at the San Jacinto River Authority G&A Building - Boardroom 1577 Dam Site Rd, Conroe, Texas 77304 and via telephone conference call/webinar. Notice of said meeting was duly posted per GRP Contract requirements.

### The following Review Committee Members participated:

Chair

Present:

**GRP Review Committee:** 

Representing:

Jackie Chance

MUDs West of I-45

Duke Coon

City of Conroe

Mike Mooney

Woodlands Water

Rick Moffatt

MUDs East of I-45

Mike Stoecker

Investor Owned Utilities

Absent:

Vacant Position

Cities other than City of Conroe

#### Also present:

Name:

Title:

Chris Clements Matt Corley

SJRA Utility Enterprise Infrastructure Asset Manager SJRA Customer Service Manager/GRP Administrator

David Guyer

SJRA Utility Enterprise Electrical Services Manager

Joy Homewood Jace Houston

SJRA GRP Administrative Assistant 2 SJRA General Manager

Raymond Johnson

SJRA IT Manager

Ron Kelling, P.E.

SJRA Deputy General Manager

Jamye Lewis

SJRA Accounting Manager

Chris Meeks Tom Michel

SJRA Utility Enterprise Operations & Maintenance Manager SJRA Director of Financial and Administrative Services

Amanda Mury

SJRA Utility Enterprise Administrative Manager

Wayne Owen

SJRA Director of Raw Water Operations

Mitchell Page Heather Ramsey Cook Schwartz, Page & Harding, L.L.P., SJRA General Counsel SJRA Director of Communications and Public Affairs

Ed Shackelford, P.E.

SJRA Director of Utility Operations

Kelli Stormer

SJRA Senior Accountant

Jennifer Thayer

Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District ("LSGCD"), Education and

Conservation Coordinator

Jason Williams

SJRA Utility Enterprise Operations Manager

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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Mooney called the meeting to order at 11:31 a.m.

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

### a. Special GRP Review Committee Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Workshop on April 12, 2021.

Mr. Chance moved to approve said minutes as drafted. Mr. Duke Coon seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

## b. Regular GRP Review Committee Meeting on April 19, 2021.

Mr. Chance moved to approve said minutes as drafted. Mr. Mooney seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

#### 4. GRP DIVISION UPDATES

Mr. Corley provided an opportunity for any questions regarding the Monthly Operations Report. No questions were asked by the GRP Review Committee. Mr. Corley then reported that Mr. Sherwin submitted a written resignation from the GRP Review Committee on May 21<sup>st</sup>. Mr. Corley advised that Mr. Sherwin is no longer with the City of Oak Ridge North and felt it appropriate to tender his resignation from the GRP Review Committee. Mr. Corley advised of the need to start the election process to fill the vacancy created by Mr. Sherwin's resignation. He noted the process may take 6 months.

#### 5. LONE STAR GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT REPORT

### a. Invited Guest Speaker - Samantha Reiter, General Manager at LSGCD

Ms. Jennifer Thayer addressed the GRP Review Committee in the absence of Ms. Reiter. LSGCD announced that it received proposed Desired Future Conditions (DFCs), beginning a ninety-day public comment period ending July 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm. LSGCD will hold an in person hearing on June 7<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm to accept public comments on the proposed DFCs for the Gulf Coast aquifer.

#### 6. GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AREA (GMA) 14 UPDATE

Mr. Ron Kelling reminded GRP Review Committee members that the proposed DFCs have been published with a 90 day comment period ending in July. LSGCD will hold a public hearing on the DFCs in the future. GMA 14 is scheduled to meet on October 6<sup>th</sup> and vote on the DFCs.

#### 7. GRP ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE SJRA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### a. August 26, 2021

Receive a presentation, discuss, and consider recommendation to the San Jacinto River Authority Board of Directors regarding approval of a proposed GRP Fiscal Year 2022 Operating Budget, effective September 1, 2021.

#### b. May 27, 2021

Receive a presentation, discuss, and consider recommendation to the San Jacinto River Authority Board of Directors to approve an amended Rate Order for Participants, effective September 1, 2021.

Mr. Corley revisited the Fiscal Year 2022 GRP Budget process. He reported that 100 written questions and comments were received. Responses and back up material were provided to the GRP Review Committee members.

Mr. Kelling gave a presentation regarding the raw water supplies made available to and/or utilized by the GRP Division, the costs of same, and various related issues that impact the proposed Fiscal Year 2022 GRP Budget.

Mr. Corley discussed revisions to the previously proposed Fiscal Year 2022 GRP Budget as requested by the GRP Review Committee that moved items from the O&M Budget to bond funding.

Mr. Chance moved that the GRP Review Committee recommend the proposed Fiscal Year 2022 GRP Budget, as presented, to the SJRA Board of Directors for passage and adoption. The motion was seconded by Mr. Moffatt and carried, with Mr. Chance, Mr. Moffatt and Mr. Mooney voted "aye" and Mr. Duke Coon and Mr. Mike Stoecker voted "nay".

Mr. Corley then presented the proposed Rate Order for GRP Participants.

Mr. Chance moved that the GRP Review Committee recommend the proposed amended Rate Order, as presented, to the SJRA Board of Directors for passage and adoption. The motion was seconded by Mr. Moffatt and carried, with Mr. Chance, Mr. Moffatt and Mr. Mooney voting "aye" and Mr. Coon and Mr. Stoecker voting "nay".

## 8. DISCUSS ADOPTING A POLICY ON MEMBERS PLACING ITEMS ON GRP REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDAS

Following discussion on the matter, the GRP Review Committee members agreed that a member should be able to add items to the agenda. Mr. Corley and Mr. Kelling requested that two weeks' advance notice be provided when requesting items be added to the agenda, taking into consideration that additional time may be required if the GRP Division is expected to developer a presentation or other materials in connection with the requested agenda item. A member asked whether the GRP Review Committee may take action on items that are not included on an agenda. Mr. Page advised that, under the GRP Contracts, the GRP Review Committee meetings are to be held in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act. Accordingly, the GRP Review Committee and the GRP Division may provide statements of fact or existing policy in response to questions on items that are not included on a GRP Review Committee agenda. However, deliberation and action by the GRP Review Committee requires an appropriate agenda item for action.

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## 9. ATTORNEY'S UPDATE

Mr. Page provided an update on GRP related legal matters.

## 10. FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

- a. June 21, 2021
- b. July 19, 2021
- c. August 23, 2021

## 11. ADJOURN

Mr. Mooney adjourned the meeting at 12:47 p.m.

Chris Meeks

Utility Enterprise O&M Manager

Matt Corley

SJRA Customer Service Manager/GRP Administrator