BOARD OF DIRECTORS SAN JACINTO RIVER AUTHORITY MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING JUNE 27, 2024

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the San Jacinto River Authority was held at 8:00 a.m., June 27, 2024, at the San Jacinto River Authority General and Administration Building. Notice of said meeting was posted as required by law. President Ronnie Anderson, Vice President Ed Boulware, Treasurer Mark Micheletti, Secretary Wil Faubel, Director Stacey Buick, and Director Stephanie Johnson were present. Secretary Pro-Tem Ricardo Mora was absent. Also in attendance were Aubrey A. Spear, General Manager; Heather Ramsey, Director of Communications and Public Affairs; Ed Shackelford, Director of Operations; Connie Curtis, Director of Technical and Operational Services; Pam Steiger, Chief Financial Officer; Cynthia Bowman, Chief of Staff; and Mitchell Page, General Counsel.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m.

2. CEREMONIAL ITEMS

a. Invocation

The invocation was delivered by Director Buick.

b. Pledges of Allegiance

The Pledges of Allegiance were led by Director Anderson.

c. Receipt of Commendation, Awards, and Honoraria

There were no presentations.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Bill Brown spoke about Lake Conroe Park. Mr. Bill Parker spoke about sedimentation at Wildwood Shores subdivision. Mr. Kevin Lacy spoke about the outflow of water from Lake Conroe.

4. DIVISION UPDATES

a. G & A General Manager

Mr. Spear provided information related to the May storm events.

b. G & A Public Relations

Ms. Ramsey provided updates related to various division and department projects, initiatives, tours, meetings, and social media platforms.

c. G & A Chief Financial Officer

Ms. Steiger provided an update on the Enterprise Resource Planning project.

d. G&A Technical and Operational Services

Ms. Curtis provided no update related to Technical and Operational Services.

e. Operating Divisions

Mr. Shackelford provided information related to an event taking place at Lake Conroe during the Independence Day weekend.

f. Utility Enterprise

Mr. Meeks provided an update related to The Woodlands Municipal Utility District (MUD) Director orientation that took place in May.

g. Lake Conroe

Mr. Raley presented information related to hydrilla management on Lake Conroe.

h. Highlands

Mr. Tramm provided an update related to the Middle Crossing/North Reservoir Erosion Repair project.

i. Flood Management

Mr. Barrett provided information related to the National Water Prediction Service (NWPS) website.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

It was announced that item 5c would not be considered.

Agenda item 5d was removed from the Consent agenda for separate consideration at the request of Director Buick.

Director Buick made a motion to approve Consent Agenda items 5a and 5b, as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Johnson and carried unanimously.

a. Approval of Minutes - Regular Meeting of May 23, 2024.

b. Unaudited Financials

Approve the unaudited financials for the month of April, 2024.

c. Not Considered.

The Board of Directors then considered the item removed from the Consent Agenda.

d. First Amendment to Interlocal Agreement - Lake Conroe - Lake Houston Joint Reservoir Operations Study

Mr. Barrett provided a review of the initial components of the project. He explained the interlocal agreement was set to expire after three years, however because the project is currently on hold, the interlocal agreement must be extended for the duration of the project. Director Johnson made a motion to authorize the General Manager to negotiate and execute the First Amendment to Interlocal Agreement by and among San Jacinto River Authority, City of Houston, Texas, and City of Humble, Texas, for the Lake Conroe - Lake Houston Joint Reservoir Operations Study. The motion was seconded by Director Boulware and carried unanimously.

6. REGULAR AGENDA

a. Amended Rate Order - GRP Participants

Ms. Steiger provided an overview of the proposed GRP rate for Fiscal Year 2025. She explained the rate proposed for Fiscal Year 2025, is a reduction of 11% in the groundwater rate, from the current rate of \$2.99/1,000 gallons to the proposed rate of \$2.67/1,000 gallons, and a 4% reduction in the surface water rate, from the current rate of \$3.41/per 1,000 gallons to the proposed rate of \$3.26/1,000 gallons. Director Buick made a motion to adopt Order No. 2024-O-01, of the San Jacinto River Authority Board of Directors, adopting an amended rate order for GRP Participants, effective September 1, 2024. The motion was seconded by Director Micheletti and carried unanimously.

b. Ratification of Emergency Response for the Repairs of San Jacinto River Authority's CWA South Siphon

Mr. Tramm explained the necessity for emergency repairs related to San Jacinto River Authority's Coastal Water Authority (CWA) South Siphon. Director Micheletti made a motion to ratify actions by the General Manager regarding issuance of purchase orders or other contractual agreements related to the emergency response and repair of San Jacinto River Authority's CWA South Siphon in Highlands. The motion was seconded by Director Boulware and carried unanimously.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The meeting was convened in executive session at 9:06 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; and
 - 2. Litigation and other litigation related to GRP.
- c. Discussion regarding Lake Conroe Park, pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.072.

9. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

With a quorum of the Board present, the meeting was called into open session at 12:04 p.m.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS / FUTURE AGENDA

It was announced that the next San Jacinto River Authority Regular Board Meeting will take place on July 25, 2024.

11. ADJOURN

Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Wil Faubel

Secretary, Board of Directors