

RICARDO WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
June 7, 2022

Board Members Present:

Baldemar Garcia  
Tim Robertson  
Oliver Hinojosa  
James Fischer  
Robert Zavala, Jr.

Board Members Absent:

Frank Escobedo  
Robert Garza

Staff Present:

John Marez  
Frances De Leon  
Nigel Gomez

Guests Present:

Eduardo Pena, Ardurra (by phone)

1. Call to Order.

Board President Baldemar Garcia called the Regular Meeting of the Ricardo Water Supply Corporation Board of Directors to order at 5:35 p.m. A quorum was present.

2. Citizen comments.

Mr. Garcia opened the floor to citizen comments. No comments were made.

3. Approval of Minutes.

Mr. Robertson made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 28, 2022 Regular Meeting as presented. Mr. Hinojosa seconded. All voted in favor.

*The order of the agenda was changed.*

5. Resignation of Robert Zavala from the RWSC Board of Directors and Appointment of Director to fill the unexpired term.

Mr. Garcia stated that Mr. Zavala submitted a letter of resignation on April 27, 2022 and the vacancy needs to be filled. Mr. Robert Zavala Jr. has demonstrated an interest in filling the unexpired term. Mr. Fischer made a motion to accept Mr. Robert Zavala's resignation and appoint Mr. Robert Zavala Jr. to fill the unexpired term. Mr. Hinojosa seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Treasurer's Report/Payment of Bills.

The following financial reports were presented for Board review and approval:

Treasurer's Report as of March 31, 2022

Account Activity for General Account for March 1, 2022 to March 31, 2022

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Account Activity for Operations Account for March 1, 2022 to March 31, 2022

TEXPOOL Participant Statement for 03/01/2022 – 03/31/2022 for General Account

TEXPOOL Participant Statement for 03/01/2022 – 03/31/2022 for Membership Deposit Account

TEXPOOL Participant Statement for 03/01/2022 – 03/31/2022 for USDA Reserve Account

TexSTAR General Account Statement for 03/01/2022 – 03/31/2022

Water Loss Computation (updated) – February 8, 2022 through March 8, 2022

Water Loss Computation – March 8, 2022 through April 8, 2022

The following bills were presented for payment:

STWA Invoice S22-055	\$25,397.06
March 2022 Water Usage, Water Cost and Handling Charge	

STWA Invoice S22-056	\$22,679.83
March 2022 General and Administration	

STWA Invoice S22-067	\$ 8,905.04
March 2022 Taps and Repairs	

STWA Invoice S22-074	\$28,740.29
April 2022 Water Usage, Water Cost and Handling Charge	

STWA Invoice S22-075	\$19,139.57
April 2022 General and Administration	

STWA Invoice S22-080	\$ 2,227.00
April 2022 Taps and Repairs	

A motion was made by Mr. Robertson and seconded by Mr. Hinojosa to approve the Treasurer's Report and payment of the bills. The motion carried.

6. All matters pertaining to TxDOT Upgrades on US 77/I69.

Mr. Marez presented Change Order #1 and stated that Mr. Eduardo Pena of Ardurra was available by phone to offer an explanation and answer the Board's questions. Mr. Pena reported that the final cost of the project was \$413,347 – a decrease from the original contract price of \$422,530 and explained that the change order lists all of the increases and decreases which result in a net decrease of \$9,183. He requested that the Board approve all of the increases in order to close out the project. Mr. Robertson made a motion to approve the line item increases and Change Order #1. Mr. Hinojosa seconded and all voted in favor.

7. Agreement with Ricardo Wastewater Improvement Corporation for billing and collecting of wastewater charges.

Mr. Marez stated that the wastewater charges and agreement are being reviewed at the request of Mr. Garcia. He added that he discovered that the RWIC is not currently an officially registered

corporation with the State of Texas. He discussed the matter with legal counsel Bill Flickinger who recommended that the Board approve the new agreement contingent upon confirmation that RWIC has reinstated its charter and incorporation status. Mr. Marez also explained that he has been in contact with Mary Mora who handles the RWIC's administrative duties and was informed that Daniel Almeida serves as RWIC's operator; however, Mr. Marez has not been able to determine who is currently serving on the RWIC board. Mr. Fischer made a motion to table action on this item and to invite at least two RWIC representatives to the next RWSC Board Meeting. Mr. Robertson seconded. All voted in favor.

8. Resolution 22-04. Resolution renewing the agreement with Ricardo Wastewater Improvement Corporation for billing and collecting of wastewater charges.

No action.


9. Discussion and action on Kleberg County Human Services Low Income Household Water Assistance Program Agreement.

Mr. Marez stated that representatives from Kleberg County Human Services were not available to attend the meeting. Mr. Robertson made a motion to table discussion until a representative is available to answer the Board's questions and concerns. Mr. Zavala seconded and all voted in favor.

10. Adjournment.

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Hinojosa made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 pm. Mr. Robertson seconded and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Frances De Leon  
Assistant Secretary