

RICARDO WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION
Regular Meeting Minutes
June 12, 2023

Board Members Present:

Baldemar Garcia
Oliver Hinojosa
Frank Escobedo
Robert Garza
James Fischer
Tisha Jones

Board Members Absent:

Robert Zavala, Jr.

Staff Present:

John Marez
Frances De Leon
Jo Ella Wagner
Nigel Gomez

Guests Present:

Charlie Cardenas, I.C.E.
Sergio Luna, I.C.E.
Itzak Hinojosa, I.C.E.
Rogelio Rodriguez, Water Finance Exchange
Margaret Kelly – John Womack & Co, P.C.

1. Call to Order.

Board President Baldemar Garcia called the Regular Meeting of the Ricardo Water Supply Corporation Board of Directors to order at 5:32 p.m. A quorum was present.

2. Citizen comments.

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

3. Review of proposed audit for Fiscal Year 2022.

Ms. Margaret Kelly, John Womack & Co., P.C., presented the Fiscal Year 2022 Audit to the Board. She reviewed the Operating Revenue and Expenses and reported that the Corporation had a change in net position of \$16,437 in 2022 and remains fiscally healthy. She thanked staff for their assistance in conducting the audit. There were no questions from the Board.

4. Resolution 23-02. Resolution accepting the Fiscal Year 2022 Audit prepared by John Womack & Co., P.C. of Kingsville.

Mr. Escobedo made a motion to approve Resolution 23-02 accepting the Fiscal Year 2022 Audit and Mr. Garza seconded. The motion carried.

5. Approval of Minutes.

Mr. Escobedo made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2023 Regular Meeting as presented. Mr. Garza seconded. All voted in favor.

6. Treasurer's Report/Payment of Bills.

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

Treasurer's Report as of February 28, 2023

Account Activity for General Account for February 1, 2023 to February 28, 2023

Account Activity for Operations Account for February 1, 2023 to February 28, 2023

TEXPOOL Participant Statement for 02/01/2023 – 02/28/2023 for General Account

TEXPOOL Participant Statement for 02/01/2023 – 02/28/2023 for Membership Deposit Account

TEXPOOL Participant Statement for 02/01/2023 – 02/28/2023 for USDA Reserve Account

TexSTAR General Account Statement for 02/01/2023 – 02/28/2023

Treasurer's Report as of March 31, 2023

Account Activity for General Account for March 1, 2023 to March 31, 2023

Account Activity for Operations Account for March 1, 2023 to March 31, 2023

TEXPOOL Participant Statement for 03/01/2023 – 03/31/2023 for General Account

TEXPOOL Participant Statement for 03/01/2023 – 03/31/2023 for Membership Deposit Account

TEXPOOL Participant Statement for 03/01/2023 – 03/31/2023 for USDA Reserve Account

Treasurer's Report as of April 30, 2023

Account Activity for General Account for April 1, 2023 to April 31, 2023

Account Activity for Operations Account for April 1, 2023 to April 31, 2023

TEXPOOL Participant Statement for 04/01/2023 – 04/31/2023 for General Account

TEXPOOL Participant Statement for 04/01/2023 – 04/31/2023 for Membership Deposit Account

TEXPOOL Participant Statement for 04/01/2023 – 04/31/2023 for USDA Reserve Account

The following bills were presented for payment:

STWA Invoice S23-064 \$ 5,392.96

March 2023 Taps and Repairs

STWA Invoice S23-071 \$28,740.87

March 2023 Water Usage, Water Cost and Handling Charge

STWA Invoice S23-072 \$23,435.35

March 2023 General and Administration

STWA Invoice S23-084 \$21,153.33

April 2023 Water Usage, Water Cost and Handling Charge

STWA Invoice S23-085 \$18,374.23

April 2023 General and Administration

STWA Invoice S23-090 \$ 6,836.28

April 2023 Taps and Repairs

RWSC Water Loss Computation Reports:

February 8, 2023 – March 8, 2023

March 8, 2023 – April 10, 2023

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

7. RWSC Master Plan.

Mr. Charlie Cardenas and Mr. Sergio Luna of International Consulting Engineers (I.C.E.) and Mr. Rogelio Rodriguez of Water Finance Exchange (WFX) provided a brief presentation on the master plan. Mr. Rodriguez explained that WFX works on submitting applications for funding and these applications are ranked on a point system. When applications are being reviewed, having a master plan in place is beneficial and places organizations in a better position for funding than those that do not have a plan. Mr. Luna stated that I.C.E. reviewed several different projects such as replacing equipment at the pump stations and recoating the water towers. He stressed that maintenance is needed and suggested that the Corporation consider entering into a five-year contract with a private company to better maintain RWSC facilities. He added that the master plan's main focus is on the pump stations. No action was taken by the Board.

8. All Matters Pertaining to TxDOT Upgrades on Hwy 77/I-69.

Mr. Marez reported that Ardurra and TxDOT are working to secure RWSC's waterlines and have indicated that there will be no cost to the Corporation for this work. No action was taken by the Board.

9. Update on CR 1030 Water Transmission Line Improvements Project, TxCDBG TDA Contract No. CFC21-0479.

Mr. Marez reported that state funding has been approved for the project but Grantworks needs to complete some items before the project gets underway. He expects that the project will be completed sometime in early 2024. Mr. Garcia added that the Kleberg County Commissioners approved the recommendation of replacing the 14" water line with a 12" waterline. No Board action was taken.

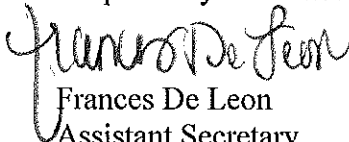
10. Ratification of TRWA GIS Data Collection and Mapping proposal.

Mr. Marez stated that the RWSC Board previously approved the GIS Data Collection and Mapping estimate of \$10,000. However, once TRWA staff arrived on-site, additional work was required which increased the cost to \$13,559.74. Mr. Escobedo made a motion to approve payment of the final amount of \$13,559.74. Mr. Garza seconded. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

11. Adjournment.

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Garza made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:23 pm. Mr. Hinojosa seconded and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,


Frances De Leon
Assistant Secretary