

RICARDO WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 25, 2025

Board Members Present:

Baldemar Garcia
Robert Garza
Oliver Hinojosa
Frank Escobedo
James Fischer

Board Members Absent:

Robert Zavala, Jr.
Tisha Jones

Staff Present:

John Marez
Frances De Leon
Jo Ella Wagner
Patrick Sendejo

Guests Present:

None

1. Call to Order.

Board President Baldemar Garcia called the Regular Meeting of the Ricardo Water Supply Corporation Board of Directors to order at 5:30 p.m. at the STWA Boardroom in Kingsville, Texas. A quorum was present.

2. Citizen comments.

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

3. Approval of Minutes.

Minutes were not presented.

4. Treasurer's Report/Payment of Bills.

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

Treasurer's Report as of October 31, 2024

Account Activity for General Account for October 1, 2024 to October 31, 2024

Account Activity for Operations Account for October 1, 2024 to October 31, 2024

Account Activity for Debt Service Account for October 1, 2024 to October 31, 2024

TEXPOOL Participant Statement for 10/01/2024 – 10/31/2024 for General Account

TEXPOOL Participant Statement for 10/01/2024 – 10/31/2024 for Membership Deposit Account

TEXPOOL Participant Statement for 10/01/2024 – 10/31/2024 for USDA Reserve Account

Treasurer's Report as of November 30, 2024

Account Activity for General Account for November 1, 2024 to November 30, 2024

Account Activity for Operations Account for November 1, 2024 to November 30, 2024

Account Activity for Debt Service Account for November 1, 2024 to November 30, 2024

TEXPOOL Participant Statement for 11/01/2024 – 11/30/2024 for General Account

TEXPOOL Participant Statement for 11/01/2024 – 11/30/2024 for Membership Deposit Account
TEXPOOL Participant Statement for 11/01/2024 – 11/30/2024 for USDA Reserve Account
Treasurer's Report as of December 31, 2024
Account Activity for General Account for December 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024
Account Activity for Operations Account for December 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024
Account Activity for Debt Service Account for December 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024
TEXPOOL Participant Statement for 12/01/2024 – 12/31/2024 for General Account
TEXPOOL Participant Statement for 12/01/2024 – 12/31/2024 for Membership Deposit Account
TEXPOOL Participant Statement for 12/01/2024 – 12/31/2024 for USDA Reserve Account

The following bills were presented for payment:

STWA Invoice S24-186	\$29,404.94
November 2024 Water Usage, Water Cost and Handling Charge	
STWA Invoice S24-187	\$18,948.48
November 2024 General and Administration	
STWA Invoice S24-191	\$ 7,068.08
November 2024 Taps and Repairs	
STWA Invoice S25-006	\$26,263.52
December 2024 Water Usage, Water Cost and Handling Charge	
STWA Invoice S25-007	\$19,720.80
December 2024 General and Administration	
STWA Invoice S24-193	\$ 503.90
Supplies and Materials Reimbursement	

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

5. RWSC Annual Membership Meeting.

- Selection of Election Auditor
- Approval of agenda and meeting packet for Annual Membership Meeting
- **Resolution 25-01.** Resolution declaring unopposed candidates of Ricardo Water Supply Corporation elected.

Mr. Marez reported that two applications for Board of Director were received by the deadline. He added that since there are only two positions up for election, the Board can adopt Resolution 25-01 declaring the two candidates, Oliver Hinojosa and Frank Escobedo elected. If adopted by the Board, Resolution 25-01 will be read into the record at the Annual Membership meeting on April 8th. He also explained that because no election will be necessary, an Election Auditor does not need to be selected. He presented the meeting notice and agenda for the Annual Membership Meeting and recommended approval of the documents which need to be mailed out by March 7th. Mr. Garza

made a motion to adopt Resolution 25-01 and approve the meeting notice and agenda. Mr. Fischer seconded and all voted in favor.

6. RWSC Master Plan and update on TWDB Funding.

Mr. Marez provided a presentation illustrating the various projects to be addressed with \$4,872,640 allocated to Ricardo Water Supply Corporation and the \$2,886,567 allocated to Nueces Water Supply Corporation. Mr. Garcia commented that he wants to see a clearer distinction between the Ricardo and Nueces projects. He also said he was concerned about the insulation to be used. Mr. Sendejo described the type of insulation that has been proposed as 30-year wrapping that is secured with stainless steel wiring and clips. It is removable for maintenance and easily put back into place. No action was taken by the Board.

7. RWSC Water Conservation and Drought Contingency Plan.

Mr. Marez reported that the City of Corpus Christi has been discussing updates to their drought contingency plan to address ongoing water scarcity issues. He pointed out that Corpus Christi may face a water emergency if reservoir levels continue to drop. He added that proposed changes include stricter water restrictions. He said he will continue to monitor the City's updates and will keep the Board informed.

8. General Manager's Report.

Mr. Marez stated that the next meeting is scheduled for April 8th. He added that if the City of Corpus Christi adopts changes to the drought contingency plan before then, a special meeting may be necessary. Mr. Sendejo reported that STWA now has a full field staff.

9. Adjournment.

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Hinojosa made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m. Mr. Escobedo seconded and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,


Frances De Leon
Assistant Secretary