

**Agenda Item 7a. Consideration of the Minutes of the Meeting Held on
February 23, 2022**

This agenda item is to review and consider approval of the meeting minutes from February 23, 2022.

Attachments:

1. Meeting Minutes

For Consideration
May 18, 2023

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
REGION F WATER PLANNING GROUP
10:30 A.M., THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2023 AT THE OFFICE OF THE
COLORADO RIVER MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
400 E. 24TH ST. BIG SPRING, TEXAS**

The Region F Water Planning Group (WPG) met at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 23, 2023 at the Office of the Colorado River Municipal Water District in Big Spring, Texas and. Voting members present were: Allison Strube, Merle Taylor, Kenneth Dierschke, Gil Van Deventer, Tommy Ervin, Henryk Olstowski, Scott McWilliams, Richard Gist, Raymond Straub, Ty Edwards, and Rhetta Hector. Non-voting members present were: Elizabeth McCoy and Heather Rose, TWDB; Roco DeLuca, Glasscock County; Dale Adams, Nolan County; Diana Thomas, Sterling County; and Sam Kelley, USGS. Other interested parties present were: Simone Kiel and Lissa Gregg with Freese & Nichols; Katie Dahlberg, TWDB; Alyson McDonald, Collier Consulting; Dusty Kilgore, Upton County; John Allen and Dale Weaver, BCWID #1; Leon Braden with Lipan-Kickapoo WCD; Audra Hoback, Mary Nelson and Cole Walker from Colorado River Municipal Water District.

Call to Order

Vice-Chair, Scott McWilliams, called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. A quorum was present.

Introductions and Opening Remarks

Voting and Non-Voting members and audience attendees introduced themselves

Voting Membership

Cole Walker presented resignations and nominations for open positions.

The first resignation presented was John W. Grant who had previously served as the General Manger for CRMWD and was the sitting chair for the Region F Water Planning Group. Motion to accept resignation was made by Rhetta Hector and seconded by Kenneth Dierschke. The motion passed unanimously.

The second resignation presented was Allison Strube. Strube left her position with the City of San Angelo and joined the Engineering department of CRMWD. She represented Region F Municipalities >50,000. Motion to accept resignation was made by Raymond Straub and seconded by Merle Taylor. The motion passed unanimously.

Nominations to fill vacancies were presented.

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The first nomination was Cole Walker, General Manager for CRMWD, who applied for the open Water District position left vacant by John Grant. Motion to accept the nomination was made by Kenneth Dierschke and seconded by Raymond Straub. The motion passed unanimously.

The second nomination was Dusty Kilgore, who applied for the Counties position. Motion was made by Kenneth Dierschke and seconded by Henryk Olstowski. The motion passed unanimously.

Cole Walker also informed the group that many of the terms are expired or approaching expiration and those positions would need to be re-elected and that Region F would be posting and advertising those open positions to collect applications before the next Region F Meeting.

Designated Alternates

Cole Walker asked the group to consider Allison Strube as his alternate. Henryk Olstowski made the motion to accept the nomination and Scott McWilliams seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Region F Officers and Executive Committee

Scott McWilliams, Vice-Chair, informed the group that per the by-laws, Officers and Executive Committee must be re-elected at the first meeting each year. McWilliams made a motion to nominate Cole Walker as Chair to replace outgoing Chair John Grant. The motion was seconded by Raymond Straub and passed unanimously. Raymond Straub made a motion to nominate Scott McWilliams as Vice-Chair. The motion passed unanimously. Ty Edwards made a motion to nominate Raymond Straub as Secretary. The motion was seconded by Richard Gist and passed unanimously. Raymond Straub made a motion to nominate Richard Gist and Gilbert Van Deventer for the (2) At Large Executive Committee openings. The motion passed unanimously.

Interregional Planning Council Nomination

Cole Walker asked the group to consider appointing a representative from Region F to serve on the Interregional Planning Council. Allison Strube had previously served, but was no longer eligible as a non-voting member. Scott McWilliams was nominated and was approved unanimously. A motion was made by Ty Edwards and seconded by Henryk Olstowski to nominate Tommy Irving to represent the group as an alternative representative. The motion passed unanimously.

Region F Administrative Matters

- a. Consideration of the Minutes of the November 18, 2021:
A motion was made by Scott McWilliams and seconded by Rhetta Hector to accept the Minutes of the November 18, 2021 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.
- b. Financial Report: CRMWD is the designated Political Subdivision for Region F and contracts with the Water Development Board, manages funds and keeps meeting minutes. The Administrative Fund had a balance of \$29,130.19 as of October 31, 2022. The Planning Fund had a balance of \$16,436.31 as of October 31, 2022. A motion was made by Scott McWilliams and seconded by Richard Gist to accept the Financial Report. The motion passed unanimously.
- c. Certification of administrative expenses to be submitted to the TWDB for reimbursement for the 2026 Regional Planning Cycle: Motion to accept made by Ty Edwards and seconded by Gilbert Van Deventer. The motion passed unanimously.
- d. Authorize approval for CRMWD to Negotiate and Execute Amendments to the TWDB Contract for the 2026 Regional Planning Cycle: Motion was made by Gilbert Van Deventer and seconded by Kenneth Dierschke. The motion passed unanimously.

Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Report

Elizabeth McCoy, TWDB Project Manager, provided Region F and TWDB updates and information on rule changes and revisions to the State Water Plan, changes to the regional water planning process, Sixth Cycle Planning updates, and resources found on the TWDB website. Elizabeth McCoy also introduces Heather Rose as her replacement for TWDB Project Manager for Region F.

Katie Dahlberg, TWDB, presented on the TWDB methodology for development of the non-municipal demands.

Planning Process

Lissa Gregg presented draft non-municipal demands for the 2026 Region F Plan. No action was taken.

Lissa Gregg also reviewed the 2026 Regional Planning Schedule.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting date will be May 18, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

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Adjourn

There was no further discussion and the meeting adjourned at 12.08 p.m.

Raymond Straub, Jr., Secretary
Region F Water Planning Group

Cole Walker, Chair
Region F Water Planning Group