

SOUTH TEXAS WATER AUTHORITY
Regular Board of Directors Meeting
March 28, 2023
Minutes

Board Members Present:

Jose Graveley
Frances Garcia
Imelda Garza
Rudy Galvan, Jr.
Joe Morales
Angela Pena
Arturo Rodriguez

Board Members Absent:

Kathleen Lowman
Patsy Rodgers

Staff Present:

John Marez
Frances De Leon
Nigel Gomez

Guests Present:

Rogelio Rodriguez, WFX
Daniel Martinez, Winstead PC

1. Call to Order.

Mr. Jose Graveley, Board President, called the Regular Meeting of the STWA Board of Directors to order at 5:33 p.m. A quorum was present.

2. Citizen Comments.

Mr. Graveley opened the floor to citizen's comments. No comments were made.

3. Approval of Minutes.

Mr. Morales made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2023 Regular Meeting as presented. Mr. Galvan seconded. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

4. Treasurer's Report/Payment of Bills.

Mr. Marez stated that the November 2022 Treasurer's Report should be finalized in the next few days. Ms. Wagner will send it to the board when it is ready and will present it at the next meeting for approval.

5. Reports from O&M and CP.

The Board reviewed the O&M and CP reports. Mr. Marez reported that the newest truck should be delivered later this week.

6. Approval of Annexation of Certain Lands to the South Texas Water Authority.
 - a. Adam Edward Frederiksen, South half of Tract 23 and all of Tract 24, Cyndie Park Unit 2 in Nueces County, Texas.

The Public Hearing on the Annexation Petition from Adam Edward Frederiksen was conducted prior to this meeting.

7. **Resolution 23-06.** Resolution approving Annexation of Certain Lands to the South Texas Water Authority. (Adam Edward Frederiksen).

Mr. Galvan made a motion to adopt Resolution 23-06. The motion was seconded by Ms. Garcia and passed unanimously.

8. Petition for Addition of Certain Lands to the South Texas Water Authority and setting of public hearing date, time and place (Gabino Anzaldua, Jr. and Sylvia G. Anzaldua, Tract Ten (10) of Tierra Verde Unit II, a subdivision in Nueces County, Texas).

The Board reviewed the Annexation Petition. The property owner recently approached the Nueces Water Supply Corporation requesting service outside of the Authority's district boundaries and filed an Annexation Petition to begin the process of obtaining water service on the property. Mr. Marez recommended approval of Resolution 23-07 setting the Public Hearing on April 25, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. at the STWA conference room.

9. **Resolution 23-07.** Resolution of determination of validity of Petition for Addition of Certain Lands to the South Texas Water Authority and setting the date, time and place for a public hearing and authorizing publication of public hearing notice. (Gabino Anzaldua, Jr. and Sylvia G. Anzaldua.)

Mr. Galvan made a motion to adopt Resolutions 23-07 setting the Public Hearing on April 25, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. at the STWA conference room and authorizing publication of the public hearing notice. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rodriguez and passed unanimously.

10. Bond Counsel Engagement Letter with Daniel M. Martinez of Winstead PC for services pertaining to improvements at STWA facilities.

Mr. Marez presented a Bond Counsel Engagement Letter and a Reimbursement Resolution provided by Dan Martinez of Winstead. Mr. Martinez and Rogelio Rodriguez of Water Finance Exchange were present to answer questions and provide additional information. Mr. Martinez requested approval of the Engagement Letter and explained that he will be available to handle matters related to bond issuance should that be needed for financing future projects. Mr. Rodriguez also explained that it was a matter of getting things prepared ahead of time in case that option is needed. Mr. Martinez also requested adoption of Resolution 23-08 in order to allow for reimbursement of eligible project expenditures. Mr. Galvan made a motion to approve the Engagement Letter. Ms. Pena seconded and all voted in favor.

11. **Resolution 23-08. Resolution declaring intention to reimburse certain expenditures.**

Mr. Galvan made a motion to adopt Resolution 23-08. Mr. Morales seconded. All voted in favor.

12. **Administration Report.**


Mr. Marez reported that Project X is moving forward. He added that Nueces County is looking into possible road improvements to that area. In addition, a company is considering building a hydrogen solar plant on FM 70 and has indicated they would need about 250,000 gallons of water per day. The company is in the process of purchasing land. He reminded the Board that he and Mr. Graveley and Mr. Rodriguez will attend Rural Water Con. He also reported that ICE will be scheduling a walk-thru of STWA's facilities soon and will have a presentation for the Board at the April 25th meeting. He expects to schedule a workshop two weeks later for the Board to provide input.

Mr. Marez also informed the Board that he spoke with City of Corpus Christi representatives about reimbursement of the December ARV repair expense that was paid by STWA. The City has indicated that they are willing to provide reimbursement. Additionally, the meter being relocated to CR 52 will remain a 16" meter rather than the 14" that Corpus Christi Water was suggesting.

13. **Adjournment.**

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Galvan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:01 p.m. Mr. Rodriguez seconded. All voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,


Frances De Leon
Assistant Secretary