

NORTH TEXAS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

MINUTES – WATER COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD MARCH 23, 2016, AT 2:30 P.M.
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES, WYLIE, TEXAS

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Charles McKissick called the meeting of the NTMWD Water Committee to order at approximately 2:34 p.m. on Wednesday, March 23, 2016.

Members present included Chairman Charles McKissick, Directors Don Gordon, Darrell Grooms, James Kerr, Bill Lofland, Shep Stahel, and Richard Sheehan. A quorum was present.

President Joe Joplin, Vice President Terry Sam Anderson, Secretary Bob Thurmond and Directors Joe Farmer, Richard Peasley, Wayne May, and Lynn Shuyler were also present.

NTMWD staff present included Tom Kula, Mike Rickman, Joe Stankiewicz, Cesar Baptista, Billy George, Dave Patton, Elizabeth Turner, R.J. Muraski, Janet Rummel, Ted Kilpatrick, Melisa Fuller, and Leann Bumpus.

Martin Rochelle from Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C., Lewis Isaacks with Gay, McCall, Isaacks & Roberts, P.C., and Jean Shuyler were also present.

II. ACTION ITEMS

A. Approval of Water Committee Meeting Minutes – October 20, 2015

Upon a motion by Director Bill Lofland and a second by Director Darrell Grooms, the Water Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Water Committee meeting held on October 20, 2015.

B. Consider Recommendation on Authorizing Change Order No. 6 for Project No. 302, Water Treatment Plant II Filter Underdrain Improvements and Conversion to Biologically Active Filters (Please refer to Administrative Memorandum No. 4621)

Assistant Deputy Director Billy George reviewed Change Order No. 6 for Project No. 302. He discussed with the Committee that the contractor took delivery of filter media early for another project, and the District had an urgent need for media to top off filters and a portion of this change order authorizes replacement of the material that was used by Water Operations. Mr. George reviewed additional information on Change Order No. 6 as follows:

- Project includes conversion of filters 1-20 at Water Treatment Plant II to biologically active filters, including the replacement of filter media
- At a project meeting in 2015, Operations was informed that filter media was onsite for the project, but was not needed immediately

- Operations had a need for additional filter media at other locations and suggested using the onsite media and replacing it later
- The change order includes funding from Operations' budgeted items to pay for the filter media in an amount of \$185,609.03
- Others items are included in the change order include four 36" valves and tees in an amount of \$219,638.91
- Total change order amount: \$405,247.94

Upon a motion by Director Darrell Grooms and a second by Director Bill Lofland, the Water Committee voted unanimously to recommend to the Board of Directors authorizing Change Order No. 6 for Project No. 302, Water Treatment Plant II Filter Underdrain Improvements and Conversion to Biologically Active Filters, on Project No. 302, in the amount of \$405,247.94.

C. Consider Recommendation on Action Regarding Amendment of Easement Agreement with the Carolyn Hunt Trust Estate

Assistant Deputy Director Billy George and Deputy Director Mike Rickman spoke on this topic. Mr. Rickman advised that negotiations were ongoing, and a meeting is scheduled for April 14, 2016. He also relayed that NTMWD staff recently became aware that the Trust had engaged a new consultant to review the quality of water in the Main Stem of the Trinity River and a conceptual question has arisen concerning NTMWD's ability to divert water from any source other than the East Fork of the Trinity River.

After Committee discussion, Director James Kerr made a motion, which was seconded by Director Bill Lofland, and the Water Committee voted unanimously to table consideration of recommendation to the Board of Directors on the Amendment of Easement Agreement with the Carolyn Hunt Trust Estate (CHTE) until the next Water Committee meeting.

D. Discuss Main Stem Pump Station Project Schedule and Consider Recommendation on Authorizing Execution of Raw Water Purchase Agreement with Trinity River Authority

Assistant Deputy Director Cesar Baptista provided a project update on the Main Stem Pump Station project schedule. Mr. Baptista advised that Freese and Nichols, Inc., (FNI) and Garney Construction are working on this project and design plans are 95% complete. He indicated in June 2015, the Board authorized \$40,120,541 for an early procurement package, and that a Bond sale in the amount of \$68M for the remainder of the project is scheduled for consideration at the April 2016 Board meeting. Mr. Baptista indicated the Construction Manager At-Risk Guaranteed Maximum Price request will also be an item on the April 2016 Board agenda and the current construction project estimate is \$104,110,608.

Mr. Baptista advised that staff is procuring pumps, pipes and electrical materials and equipment, and the estimated start of constructions is late April or early May 2016 with a completion date in early 2018. Right-of-way acquisition, water rights permits and existing agreements were also discussed.

After Committee discussion, Director Bill Lofland made a motion, which was seconded by Director James Kerr, and the Water Committee voted unanimously to table consideration of a recommendation to the Board of Directors on this item until negotiations with the Trinity River Authority are finalized.

- E. Consider Recommendation on Action Regarding Authorizing Execution of Engineering Services Agreement for Design of Fannin County Roads Project

Assistant Deputy Director Cesar Baptista provided an update on project related to Fannin County Roads. Mr. Baptista indicated the estimated construction cost is \$5 to \$6 million and three proposals were received. He advised that the selection committee, comprised of NTMWD and FNI staff, will recommend White Hawk Engineering and Design for the Board's consideration at the April 2016 Board meeting. He indicated negotiations with White Hawk Engineering and Design were ongoing and NTMWD staff anticipates completion prior to the April Board Meeting.

Upon a motion by Director Bill Lofland and a second by Director Don Gordon, the Water Committee voted unanimously to table consideration of a recommendation to the Board of Directors on this item until negotiations are finalized with White Hawk Engineering and Design.

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Discussion of Emergency Procurement of Electrical Substation Vacuum Breakers

Maintenance Officer Dave Patton updated the Committee on the emergency acquisition and replacement of vacuum breakers at a NTMWD electrical substation on the Wylie Water Treatment Plant.

- B. Update on the Lower Bois d'Arc Creek Permitting Efforts

Assistant Deputy Director Billy George provided an update on the Lower Bois d'Arc Creek permitting efforts and indicated the Conference of Mayors had been provided information regarding NTMWD's efforts and they will begin speaking with their various contacts in an attempt to assist NTMWD. He reported that Deputy Director Mike Rickman has scheduled regular conference calls with the EPA and the next LBCR EIS leadership meeting is scheduled for April 8, 2016.

- C. Update on Fannin County Planning Efforts for the Lower Bois d'Arc Creek Reservoir

Mr. George reviewed with the Committee that the Senate Bill 525, 82nd Texas Legislature, granted Fannin County zoning authority within 5,000 feet of LBCR and the NTMWD Board authorized engineering services agreement with Freese and Nichols, Inc. to perform planning services (Ad. Memo 4424) on April 15, 2015.

Mr. George also reviewed a copy of the Fannin County Commissioners Court LBCR Comprehensive Plan and Zoning presentation dated March 15, 2016.

D. Update on Operational Planning Efforts and Anticipated Interlocal Agreements for the Lower Bois d'Arc Creek Program (2016-2021)

Mr. George reviewed the various agreements associated with the LBCR Program including the Fannin County Water Supply Agency Memorandum of Agreement, National Wildlife Federation and Lone Star Chapter of the Sierra Club Settlement Agreement, Bois d'Arc Municipal Utility District Agreement, Draft Fannin County Agreement and the potential need for agreements related to the Leonard Water Treatment Plant.


E. Opportunity for Committee Members to request potential future agenda items

No comments.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting of the Water Committee adjourned at approximately 4:32 p.m. The Chairman will call the next meeting of the Water Committee with proper notification to all members.




CHARLES MCKISSICK
Chairman