

GUADALUPE-BLANCO RIVER AUTHORITY

Minutes of the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors of the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority met in a regular monthly meeting on March 20, 2013, at the GBRA River Annex Board Room, 905 Nolan, Seguin, Guadalupe County, Texas. Directors present were Oscar H. Fogle, Grace G. Kunde, Tommy Mathews, James L. Powers, Dennis L. Patillo, Robert “Rusty” Brockman, and Kenneth Motl. Directors Myrna P. McLeroy and Frank J. Pagel were absent. Also present were W. E. West, Jr., General Manager; James Murphy, Executive Manager of Water Resources and Utility Operations; Alvin Schuerg, Executive Manager of Finance and Administration; Todd Votteler, Executive Manager of Science, Intergovernmental Relations and Policy; Bruce Wasinger, General Counsel; David Welsch, Executive Manager of Business Development and Resource Management; Gary Asbury, Manager of Project Engineering; Barbara Gunn, Human Resources Manager; Tommy Hill, Chief Engineer; Debbie Magin, Director of Water Quality Services; Bryan Serold, Operations Manager-Lower Basin; John Smith, Operations Manager-Upper Basin; LaMarriol Smith, Chief Strategic Communications and Public Affairs Officer; Teresa Van Booven, Project and Community Representative; Cricket Dietert, Executive Assistant to the General Manager; Connie Rothe, Board Relations and Publication Specialist; Leigh Crettenden, IT Manager; Amanda Johnson, Web Master; Jaynellen Ladd, Natural Resource Specialist; Tommy Schulte, Regional Representative; Susan Cochran, Operations Assistant; Steve Jester, Executive Director of the Guadalupe-Blanco River Trust; Dan Alonso, Executive Director of the San

Antonio Bay Foundation; Roger Nevola, legal counsel; Jim Dublin representing Dublin and Associates; David Engel representing Engel and Associates; Ken Holt and Steve Bereyso representing San Antonio Water System; Rick Galloway representing Atkins; Nick Dornak representing Plum Creek Watershed Program; Hank Hanscheck representing TPIC; Rick Menchaca representing BOSC, Inc.; Greg Bowen representing the New Braunfels Herald-Zeitung; Tyson Broad representing the Sierra Club; and Steven Renneker representing Kellogg Brown and Root.

Chair Fogle called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., and took note of the certifications presented that notice of the meeting had been properly posted in the office of the Secretary of State, in the Guadalupe County Courthouse, and at the GBRA main office and river annex in Seguin, Texas, pursuant to Title 5, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. A quorum being present, the following proceedings were had:

Director Kunde led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag and Texas flag.

The Chair called for comments from the public. There were no public comments at this time.

The Chair called for **Chair Item 1 - Consideration of and possible action changing the date and time of the April 17, 2013, 10:00 a.m., Board of Director's meeting to April 24, 2013, 9:00 a.m.** Upon motion by Director Mathews, seconded by Director Patillo, the Board unanimously approved changing the date and time of the April 17, 2013, 10:00 a.m., Board of Director's meeting to April 24, 2013, 9:00 a.m.

Next, the Chair called for **Chair Item 2 - Consideration of and possible action authorizing the expenditure of funds for Directors and staff to attend the National Water Resources Association Federal Water Issues Conference, April 15-17, 2013, in Washington, D.C.** Upon motion by Director Kunde, seconded by Director Powers, the Board unanimously authorized the expenditure of funds for Directors and staff to attend the National Water Resources Association Federal Water Issues Conference in Washington, D.C.

The Chair then called for **Consent Item 3 - Consideration of and possible action approving the February 20, 2013, Board meeting and Board workshop minutes; Consent Item 4 - Consideration of and possible action approving the monthly financial report for February 2013; Consent Item 5 - Consideration of and possible action approving the monthly operations report for February 2013; Consent Item 6 - Consideration of and possible action approving Directors' expense vouchers; and Consent Item 7 - Consideration of and possible action approving disposal of equipment in accordance with GBRA Board Policy 411-Capital Assets.** Upon motion by Director Mathews, seconded by Director Kunde, the Board unanimously approved Consent Item 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7.

The Chair called for **General Manager Item 8 - Discussion of the Executive Report addressing various matters, including matters relating to: safety, utility operations, water resource operations, engineering, coordination with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers regarding Canyon Reservoir operations, Nueces Recharge Study, the seasonal deviation study for Canyon Reservoir and Cibolo**

Watershed Study, meetings held with cities and counties to discuss Phase 2 of the Lower Guadalupe River Basin Feasibility Study, construction management including River Bend pump station replacement matters with construction sixty-five percent complete, Mid-Basin Water Supply Project, Feasibility Study for the South Central Texas Power and Desalination Project, Regional Laboratory activities, Clean Rivers Program activities, Plum Creek Projects, Texas Water Utilities Association Laboratory Analyst Section, Operations, Geronimo Creek Watershed Protection Plan, Environmental Flows Project including review of possible Memorandum of Understanding with Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, water quality (general), San Antonio Bay Foundation, Economic and Community Development activities, events and projects, development including water and wastewater services activities, Bulverde area wastewater including Singing Hills, Berry Oaks and Johnson Ranch, Rural Utilities - Dunlap wastewater service area activities, Mid-Basin Water Supply Project activities, Resource Protection activities including lake management and water safety, implementation of water conservation measures, water strategies, Canyon Lake/Sattler Office, Gorge Preservation Society, information technology, human resources, budget activities, accounting and finance. James Murphy briefed the Board on GBRA operation and engineering activities. Alvin Schuerg briefed the Board on finance, human resource, and information technology activities. Mr. Schuerg also briefed the Board on the financial statements executive summary for the period ending February 28, 2013. Debbie Magin briefed the Board on activities of GBRA's regional laboratory,

the Clean Rivers Program, water quality, and a security meeting. Teresa Van Booven briefed the Board economic and community development activities in GBRA's upper basin. Tommy Schulte briefed the Board on economic and community development activities in GBRA's lower basin. Discussion was also had regarding a recent log jam meeting.

Next, the Chair called for **Action Item 9 - Consideration of and possible action by the Board of Directors of Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority authorizing the General Manager to negotiate and execute a Letter of Intent for Development of an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Regarding Water Supply and Wastewater Treatment Services with Cherryville G.P., Inc.** The proposed action will provide a framework for GBRA and Cherryville to engage in planning and developing an interim and long term water supply infrastructure to supply local and regional water supply needs and resources, and in planning and developing facilities and operations for collection and treatment of wastewater for the property. Upon motion by Director Patillo, seconded by Director Brockman, the Board unanimously authorized the General Manager to negotiate and execute a Letter of Intent for Development of an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Regarding Water Supply and Wastewater Treatment Services with Cherryville G.P., Inc. A copy of the Letter of Intent is attached and made a part of these minutes.

The Chair then called for **Discussion Item 10 - Briefing by Nick Dornak, Plum Creek Watershed Coordinator regarding activities in the Plum Creek Watershed.** Debbie Magin introduced Nick Dornak, Plum Creek Watershed Coordinator. Mr.

Dornak made a presentation to the Board regarding the Plum Creek Watershed Partnership. The presentation included partners and stakeholders, the Plum Creek Watershed Protection Plan, the Hillside Terrace Project, the Hog Out County Grants Program, Caldwell County community collection events, Keep Lockhart Beautiful event, 2012 Kyle wastewater treatment plant spill, major watershed projects, the Plum Creek Riparian Cooperative, and upcoming workshops and events.

The Chair called for **Discussion Item 11 - Discussion regarding the activities and transactions of the Edwards Aquifer Authority, South Central Texas Water Advisory Committee, and the Guadalupe Basin Coalition.** Todd Votteler briefed the Board on activities of the Edwards Aquifer Authority, the Edwards Aquifer Recovery Implementation Program Habitat Conservation Plan, and the Guadalupe Basin Coalition.

Next, the Chair called for **Discussion Item 12 - Discussion regarding the activities and transactions of the Guadalupe-Blanco River Trust, the San Antonio Bay Foundation, the Gorge Preservation Society, and the Guadalupe River Foundation.** Steve Jester briefed the Board on activities of the Guadalupe-Blanco River Trust including the Texas Land Trust Council Conference. Dan Alonso briefed the Board on activities of the San Antonio Bay Foundation.

The Chair then called for **Discussion Item 13 - Discussion regarding Base Flow Report, Water Quality Index, and condition of the Guadalupe Basin.** The reports were discussed with the Board. Tommy Hill briefed the Board on the Comal

Springs level, elevation of Canyon Reservoir, rainfall events, and the U. S. Drought Monitor Seasonal Outlook.

The Chair called for **Discussion Item 14 - Discussion regarding local and State water planning and water resource issues.** General Manager West briefed the Board on a press release on GBRA's Integrated Water Power Project, the Texas Water Conservation Association conference, a Texas Public Policy Foundation opinion, the Texas Ag Water Forum, the 83rd Legislature Bill status tracking report, and a South Central Texas Regional Water Planning Group Region L meeting.

Next, the Chair called for **Discussion Item 15 - Discussion regarding national water planning and water resource issues.** General Manager West briefed the Board on the upcoming National Water Resources Association conference and legislative issues.

The Chair recessed the open meeting at 11:51 a.m. The Chair then closed the open meeting and convened the meeting in executive session at 12:08 p.m. pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code. The Chair recessed the executive session at 12:45 p.m. The Chair reconvened the meeting in executive session at 12:48 p.m. The Chair reconvened the meeting in open session at 1:02 p.m.

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:03 p.m. subject to call by the Chair.

Chair

Secretary