

**Minutes of the North East Texas Regional Water Planning Group
January 6, 2010 – 1:00 P.M.
Mount Pleasant Civic Center
1800 N. Jefferson
Mount Pleasant, Texas**

The Region D Water Planning Group (NETRWPG) met in an open meeting on Wednesday, January 6, 2010, at 1:00 P.M. The meeting was held at the Mount Pleasant Civic Center, 1800 N. Jefferson, in Mount Pleasant, Texas. Notice of the meeting was legally posted.

Chairman Richard LeTourneau called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. A quorum was present. Invocation was given by Don Hightower.

The following voting members were present:

Max Bain	Troy Henry
Keith Bonds	Don Hightower
Adam Bradley	Richard LeTourneau
Gary Cheatwood	Sam V. Long
Nancy Clements	Sharron Nabors
Darwin Douthit	Ken Shaw
Mike Dunn	Shirley Shumake
Jim Eidson	Bob Staton
Scott Hammer	Doug Wadley
	Richard Zachary

The following alternates were present:

Jennifer Meyer for Greg Carter

The following non-voting members were present:

Temple McKinnon, representing TWDB
Sandy Cash, representing UTRWD
Troy Sellers, representing Luminant
David Inman, representing Texas Department of Agriculture
Luke Baker, representing Texas Parks and Wildlife
Worth Whitehead, representing Region I

The following non-voting members were absent:

Curtis Campbell	Glenda Kindle
Jerry Clark	Marcia Hackett
Thomas Taylor	Bobby Praytor
Robert McCarthy	Larry LeBeau

The following voting members were absent:

Jim Nickerson	David Weidman
Bret McCoy	Don Patterson
Greg Carter	

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Richard Zachary made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting for November 18, 2009. Bob Staton seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Max Bain made a motion to reelect the current slate of officers. Shirley Shumake seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye. Sharron Nabors was appointed liaison to Region C and GMA #8. The liaisons for Region I and GMA #11 remain open.

Kevin Ward, Executive Director, of the Texas Water Development Board gave a presentation on creation of Senate Bill 1 and the responsibilities of the TWDB and the Regional Water Planning Group. Mr. Ward discussed the statutory interest groups and the basic steps in Regional Water Planning. Mr. Ward also showed the timeline for the 2012 State Water Plan and further stated that if the planning group did not have an approved plan, any needed water strategies would not have access to funding from the TWDB. Mr. Ward fielded questions from the public.

Ray Flemons with Bucher, Willis and Ratliff presented information from Chapter 3 that addresses the evaluation of current water supplies in the North East Texas Region and Chapter 8 regarding possible designation of unique reservoir sites and unique streams consistent with the Texas Administrative Code. Mr. Flemons introduced Reeves Hayter of Hayter Engineering that discussed Chapter 3 in detail and reported that the draft chapter was on the FTP site. Mr. Flemons reported that the draft chapter contains a recommendation that Pecan Bayou in Red River County and Black Cypress Bayou/Creek, a tributary of Caddo Lake, be included in the plan as conditionally designated Ecological Unique Stream Segments. No action was taken on the recommendation. Motion was made by Sharron Nabors and seconded by Jim Eidson to add Pine Creek as an additional segment to be considered for EUSS conditional designation. Motion was made by Sam V. Long and seconded by Shirley Shumake to table the motion to include Pine Creek as a designated unique stream segment. Motion to table carried.

Chairman LeTourneau informed the planning group that the Special Study Commission would meet in Sulphur Springs January 21, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. No other liaison reports were given.

Doug Wadley made a motion approve the invoices from BWR that were presented for payment. Bob Staton seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

The next meeting of the regional water planning group was set for January 27, 2010 at 1:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned unanimously.



Bret McCoy, Secretary

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ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES:

Walt Sears, Jr.	NETMWD
Lou Richards	NETMWD
William W. Brown	NETMWD
Jenny McKinney	NETMWD
Lee Thomas	NETMWD
Ray Flemons	BWR
Jeff Hogan	BWR
Reeves Hayter	Hayter Engineering
Stan Hayes	Hayes Engineering
Clyde Barber	Canton
Joann Barber	Canton
Dolores Cheatwood	Bogata
Bob Bowman	Lufkin
Moses Ogolla	Hayter Engineering
Linda Price	Linden
Brandy Chewning	Texarkana Gazette
Aliene Goff	Edgewood
Darrell Grubbs	Titus County Fresh Water District
John Jarvis	Riverbend Water Resources
Priss Lindsey	Bogata
Bonnie Dann	
Paul Prange	ATCOG
Joe and Patricia McKelvey	Bogata
David Nabors	Paris
John Cooper	Sulphur Springs
George Frost	Maud
Gary Burton	Burton Engineering
Betty Norris	Canton
Max Shumake	Dekalb
Joe Sandlin	
Dan Harding	TWDB
Red Birdsong	
Wendell Davis	Red River County WSC
John McConnell	Bogata
Peggy Belcher	Bogata
Harry Lewis	Sulphur Springs
Justin Rutkowski	Hayter Engineering
David Nabors	SRBA