## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' SPECIAL MEETING GREATER TEXOMA UTILITY AUTHORITY

## **MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2023**

# AT THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES 5100 AIRPORT DRIVE DENISON TX 75020

Members Present:

Brad Morgan, Scott Blackerby, Robert Hallberg, Henry Koehler, and Stanley

Thomas

Members Absent:

Ken Brawley, Kristofor Spiegel, Donald Johnson, and Matt Brown

Staff:

Paul Sigle, Tasha Hamilton, Lisa Cranfill, Stacy Patrick, Nichole Murphy, and

Velma Starks

General Counsel:

Mike Wynne, Wynne and Smith

Bond Counsel:

Visitors:

Tom Pruitt, City of Sherman

Toby Flinn, P.E. Program Manager

Representatives from Pape-Dawson and Kiewit

### I. Call to Order

Board President Brad Morgan called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

## II. Pledge of Allegiance

Board President Brad Morgan led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### III. Consent Agenda

\*Items marked with an asterisk (\*) are considered routine by the Board of Directors and are enacted in one motion without discussion unless a Board Member or a Citizen requests a specific item to be discussed and voted on separately.

## IV. \* Consider and act upon approval of Minutes of September 18, 2023, Meeting.

Make correction to the minutes showing that Board Member Donald Johnston left during Executive Session.

## V. \* Consider and act upon approval of accrued liabilities for September 2023.

Board Member Scott Blackerby made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda with the correction to the minutes. Board Member Stanley Thomas seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

## VI. <u>Citizens to be Heard</u>.

No citizens wished to be heard.

VII. Receive Update on City of Sherman's Major Infrastructure Program.

Toby Flinn, P.E., Program Manager, Pape-Dawson, provided City of Sherman Major Infrastructure Program presentation. Discussion was held.

VIII. Consider and act upon Kiewit Water Facilities South Company's Guaranteed Maximum Price A, B, and C for City of Sherman's South Wastewater Treatment Plant – MBR Project.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. Due to rapid industrial and municipal growth currently being experienced by the City of Sherman, the Wastewater Treatment Plant must be expanded to meet expected flow and effluent characteristics. Given these characteristics, our engineers recommended a Membrane Biological Reactor (MBR) as the treatment method that will be required to meet the TCEQ requirements. The engineers have undertaken pre-selection of various long lead time equipment to save as much time as possible. Further, the contractor, now procured, is also undertaking pre-procurement to expedite the time of delivery. Kiewit's contract will increase from \$54,248,451.85 to \$57,113,451.85. Discussion was held. Board Member Stanley Thomas made the motion to award the Guaranteed Maximum Price A, B, C, for Kiewit Water Facilities South Co for the South Wastewater Treatment Plant – MBR Project, increasing the contract amount to \$57,113,451.85 and contingent upon the City of Sherman's approval. Board Member Robert Hallberg seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

IX.. <u>Consider and act upon selection of Membrane Biological Reactor Equipment Supplier for City of Sherman's South Wastewater Treatment Plant – MBR.</u>

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. Discussion was held. The City and their Engineers reviewed the proposals from qualifying membrane equipment system suppliers and selected Veolia Water Technologies & Solutions. Board Member Scott Blackerby made the motion to approve the selection of Veolia Water Technologies & Solutions contingent upon the City of Sherman's approval. Board Member Stanley Thomas seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

X. <u>Consider and act upon award of contract for City of Sherman's South Wastewater Treatment Plant – MBR Project – Electrical Equipment Procurement.</u>

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. Elliott Electric Supply provided bids for the variable frequency drive, low voltage transformers, switchboards, panelboards, motor control center, enclosed controllers, and transfer switches in the amount of \$1,513,000. Board Member Robert Hallberg made the motion to award the contract Elliott Electric Supply contingent upon the City of Sherman's approval. Board Member Scott Blackerby seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

XI. <u>Consider and act upon the award of contract for City of Sherman's Lake Texoma Pump Station Expansion - Pump Procurement.</u>

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. The Engineers found Smith Pump Inc.'s bid acceptable in the amount of \$2,446,700 for Pump Procurement. Discussion was held. Board Member Stanley Thomas made the motion to award the contract to Smith Pump Inc. for Pump Procurement in the amount of \$2,446,700, contingent upon the City of

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Sherman's approval. Board Member Scott Blackerby seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

XII. Consider and act upon the award of contract for City of Sherman's Lake Texoma Pump Station Expansion – MCC and Switchgear Procurement.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. The City received two bids. The Engineers reviewed the bids and determined that Elliot Electric Supply's bid of \$701,900 was acceptable. Board Member Scott Blackerby made the motion to award the contract to Elliot Electric Supply contingent upon the City of Sherman's approval. Board Member Robert Hallberg seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

XIII. Consider and act upon the supplemental agreement between the Secretary of the Army and North Texas Municipal Water District and Greater Texoma Utility Authority for additional easement right of way for the Lake Texoma Pump Station.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. To create resilience in North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) and City of Sherman's water system, an electrical improvements project is underway to provide backup power for the Lake Texoma Pump Station. As part of the electrical improvements project, additional easement for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) is needed for new electrical buildings and backup generators. Board Member Robert Hallberg made the motion to approve the easement agreement between the Secretary of the Army, North Texas Municipal Water District, and Greater Texoma Utility Authority for additional easement right of way for the Lake Texoma Pump Station. Board Member Stanley seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

XIV. Consider and act upon the award of contract for City of Sherman's EDR Rehab. BP-2 Meters, Gauges and Flowmeters.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. The City of Sherman received one bid from Vector Controls, LLC in the amount of \$161,957.16. Discussion was held. Board Member Scott Blackerby made the motion to award the contract to Vector Controls in the amount of \$161,957.16 contingent upon the City's approval. Board Member Robert Hallberg seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

XV. Consider and act upon Change Order No. 1 to the contract with Red River Construction Co. for the City of Sherman Post Oak WWTP Aeration and Other Secondary Improvements.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. Change Order #1 added additional apprentices, and credit to the City of Sherman for items not needed during the rehab. Change Order #1 decreased the contract price by \$11,730.93, resulting in a final contract price of \$5,633,069.07. Board Member Stanley Thomas made the motion to approve Change Order No.1 to the contract with Red River Construction Co. Board Member Scott Blackerby seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

XVI. Consider and act upon the award of contract for City of Bell's WWTP Rehabilitation.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. The City of Bells received two bids. The City's Engineers reviewed the bids and found Urban Infraconstruction's bid acceptable. Board Member Robert Hallberg made the motion to award the contract to Urban Infraconstruction in the amount of \$1,420,500 contingent upon the City of Bells' approval. Board Member Stanley Thomas seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

## XVII. Review and act upon approval of the Investment Policy.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. The legislative session did not produce any changes to the Public Funds Investment Act that would impact the Authority's current investment policy. The Authority's Financial Advisor, Valley View Consulting, has reviewed the policy and recommended the red-lined changes. The Authority's Board of Directors designates the General Manager, Finance Officer and Senior Accountant having authority to make investment decisions (the "investment officers"). Board Member Scott Blackerby made the motion to approve the Investment Policy. Board Member Stanley Thomas seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

XVIII. Discussion and possible action on a request for an easement for Grayson Collins Electrical Coop.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. Discussion was held. The suggestion was made that Mike Wynne work on easement language and bring it back to Board for approval. No action was taken.

XIX. <u>Discussion and possible action on the regularly scheduled November Board Meeting.</u>

The Board decided to change the November Board Meeting from Monday November 20, 2023 (Week of Thanksgiving) to Monday, November 13, 2023.

No change for December. The meeting will be held on regularly scheduled date on Monday, December 18, 2023.

XX. Receive General Manager's Report: The General Manager will update the Board on operational and other activities of the Authority.

General Manager Paul Sigle informed the Board that Anna went door to door regarding the easement issue. The Board requested that Anna provide signed documentation as to what Anna has done pertaining to the easement issue.

- The Authority is applying for a US Bureau of Reclamation grant for desalination project for the City of Sherman.
- The Authority is working with six public water system for funding through the TWDB DFund.

#### XXI Adjourn

Board Member Stanley Thomas made the motion to adjourn. Board Member Scott Blackerby seconded the motion. Board President Brad Morgan declared the meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Recording Secretary

Secretary-Treasurer