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

#### MONDAY, MAY 20, 2024

# AT THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES 5100 AIRPORT DRIVE DENISON TX 75020

Members Present:

Henry Koehler, Stanley Thomas, Ken Brawley, Brad Morgan, and Matt Brown

Members Absent:

Kristofor Speigel, Scott Blackerby, Donald Johnston, and Robert Hallberg

Staff:

Paul Sigle, Stacy Patrick, Nichole Murphy, Debi Atkins, Billie Jo Tiner, and

Velma Starks

General Counsel:

Mike Wynne, Wynne and Smith

Bond Counsel:

#### I. Call to Order

Board President Brad Morgan called the meeting to order at 12:01 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 April 15, 2024, Meeting.
- V. \* Consider and act upon approval of accrued liabilities for April 2024.
- VI. \* Receive Monthly Financial Information.
- VII. \* Consider and act upon Change Order No. 1 on Red River Construction contract for the CGMA Bloomdale Pump Expansion Project.

Board Member Matt Brown made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Board Member Ken Brawley seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Citizens to be Heard.

No citizens wished to be heard.

### IX. Receive Quarterly Investment Report.

Debi Atkins, Finance Officer, reviewed the Quarterly Investment Report with the Board. Discussion was held.

X. <u>Consider and act upon the award of contract for City of Sherman's Post Oak Sanitary Sewer Improvements.</u>

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. The City of Sherman received six bids. Western Municipal Construction of Texas, LLC had the lowest bid at \$4,128,495.30. Discussion was held. Mike Wynne, legal counsel, provided details regarding wording on documents. Board Member Matt Brown made motion for indemnity letter concerns expressed by Board amendment regarding GTUA on behalf of City of Sherman as recommended by legal counsel. Stanley Thomas seconded the motion. Board Member Ken Brawley made the motion to reverse the previous action on Item X and to table Item X. Board Member Matt Brown seconded the motion to reverse previous action on Item X and to table Item X. Motion passed to reverse the previous action on Item X and to table Item X unanimously.

XI. <u>Consider and act upon the award of contract for City of Sherman's WTP EDR Rehab - Chain and Flight Replacement Project.</u>

General Manger Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. Discussion was held. Mike Wynne, legal counsel, provided details regarding wording of documents. Board Member Matt Brown made the motion to table Item XI. Board Member Ken Brawley seconded the motion to table Item XI. Motion passed unanimously. Board Member Matt Brown made the motion to revisit Item X. Board Member Henry Koehler seconded the motion. Motion to revisit Item X passed unanimously.

XII. Consider all matters incident and related to the approval and execution of a Water and Sewer Facilities Contract with Arledge Ridge Water Supply Corporation.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. Board Member Stanley Thomas made the motion to approve and execute a Water and Sewer Facilities Contract with Arledge Ridge Water Supply Corporation. Board Member Ken Brawley seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

XIII. Consider and act upon a resolution by the Board of Directors of the Greater Texoma Utility Authority requesting financial assistance from the Texas Water Development Board, authorizing the filing of an application for assistance, and making certain findings in connection therewith (City of Sherman 10 MGD Expansion).

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. Board Member Stanley Thomas made the motion to approve a resolution by the Board of Directors of the Greater Texoma Utility Authority requesting financial assistance from the Texas Water Development Board, authorizing the filing of an application for assistance, and making certain findings in connection therewith (City of Sherman 10 MGD Expansion.) Board Member Matt Brown seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

XIV. Consider and act upon the approval of an interlocal agreement between North Texas Municipal Water District, Upper Trinity Regional Water District, and Greater Texoma Utility Authority for a joint water supply study.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. Discussion was held. Board Member Henry Koehler made the motion to approve the interlocal agreement with North Texas Municipal Water District, Upper Trinity Regional Water District, and Greater Texoma Utility Authority. Board Member Ken Brawley seconded the motion. Motion passed

unanimously.

XV. Consider and act upon the professional services agreement with Freese and Nichols, Inc. to perform professional services in connection with the joint water supply study.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. Discussion was held. Board Member Henry Koehler made the motion to approve the professional services agreement with Freese and Nichols, Inc. Board Member Stanley Thomas seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

XVI. Consider and act upon authorizing the General Manager to engage specialized legal services for water rights.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. Discussion was held. Board Member Ken Brawley made the motion to authorize the General Manager not to exceed \$50,000 and get a letter of engagement. If more than \$50,000 would require Board approval. Board Member Matt Brown seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

XVII. Consider and act upon a resolution approving the Greater Texoma Utility Authority's Water Conservation Plan, Water Resource, and Emergency Management Plan.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. Nichole Murphy, Senior Project Manager, provided details for the Board. Conservation Coordinator is Nichole Murphy. Changes were made to the plan to meet the NTMWD requirements. Discussion was held. The Board requested that the plan be emailed to Board Members. Board Member Matt Brown made the motion to table Item XVII. Board Member Ken Brawley seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

- XVIII. <u>Receive General Manager's Report: The General Manager will update the Board on operational and other activities of the Authority.</u>
  - General Manager Paul Sigle introduced the new accounting employee, Billie Jo Tiner.
  - TCEQ annual inspections were held.
  - The city of Van Alstyne wants to annex a strip of easement property owned by GTUA.

#### XIX. Adjourn

Board Member Ken Brawley made the motion to adjourn. Board Member Matt Brown seconded the motion. Board President Brad Morgan declared the meeting adjourned at 1:13 p.m.

Velma Starks
Recording Secretary

Secretary-Treasurer