

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

MONDAY, AUGUST 19, 2024

**AT THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES
5100 AIRPORT DRIVE
DENISON TX 75020**

Members Present: Stanley Thomas, Matt Brown, Scott Blackerby, Henry Koehler, Robert Hallberg, Donald Johnston, Brad Morgan and Kristofor Spiegel

Members Absent: Ken Brawley

Staff: Paul Sigle, Stacy Patrick, Nichole Murphy, Tasha Hamilton, 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 12:00 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 July 15, 2024, Meeting.

V. * Consider and act upon approval of accrued liabilities for July 2024.

VI. * Consider and act upon Change Order No. 6 with Underwood Inc. for City of Whitewright Water Distribution System Improvements Project.

VII. * Consider and act upon Change Order No. 2 with Red River Construction Company for CGMA Bloomdale Pump Station, Phase 2 Improvements, Contract A.

Board Member Donald Johnston made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Board Member Scott Blackerby seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Citizens to be Heard.

No citizens wished to be heard.

IX. Receive Quarterly Investment Report.

Board President Brad Morgan reviewed the Quarterly Investment Report with the Board. General Manager Paul Sigle informed the Board that interest rates are going down.

X. Consider and act upon an Engagement Letter for Independent Audit Services for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. Board Member Scott Blackerby made the motion to approve the engagement letter with Patillo, Brown & Hill for Independent Audit Services for Fiscal Year 2023-2024. Board Member Kristofor Spiegel seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

XI. Consider and act upon the award of contract for City of Sherman's Lake Texoma Pump Station Expansion Project.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. Only one bid was received by the City of Sherman from Archer Western Construction for \$17,857,469.00. Discussion was held. Board Member Matt Brown made the motion to award the contract to Archer Western Construction. Board Member Robert Hallberg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

XII. Consider and act upon Change Order No. 1 with ANA Site Construction for City of Sherman's Downtown Wastewater Improvements, Phase 1.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. Change Order No. 1 results in an increase of \$265,299.00 to the original contract bringing the new total contract price to \$2,747,682.00. The City of Sherman has approved Change Order No. 1. Board Member Scott Blackerby made the motion to approve Change Order No. 1. Board Member Stanley Thomas seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

XIII. Consider and act upon the award of contract for Gober MUD's Pump Station Electrical Improvements Project.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. H&H Electrical Contractors Inc. is the lowest responsive bidder with a base bid amount of \$363,338.00. Board Member Donald Johnston made the motion to award contract to H&H Electrical Contractors, Inc contingent on Gober MUD approving contract. Board Member Scott Blackerby seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

XIV. Consider and act upon the award of contract for City of Bells' Water Mains Installation Project.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. The lowest bidder failed to respond and provide additional information requested. The second lowest bidder, Hayes Construction, LLC in the amount of \$713,630.00 was selected. Board Member Donald Johnston made the motion to award the contract to Hayes Construction, LLC contingent upon the City of Bell's approval. Board Member Robert Hallberg seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

- XV. Consider and act upon a resolution by the Board of Directors of the Greater Texoma Utility Authority accepting the contract with THI DBA Hall Resources for the City of Krum Masch Branch Water Well Project as complete.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. THI/DBA Hall Resources has completed the City of Krum Masch Branch Water Well Project. Accepting the project as complete will allow the Authority to process the final payment and release the retainage to THI DBA Hall Resources. Board Member Scott Blackerby made the motion to accept the project as complete contingent upon the City of Krum accepting the closing. Board Member Kristofor Spiegel seconded the motion. Board Member Matt Brown abstained. Motion passed 7 yes, 0 no and 1 abstained.

- XVI. Consider and act upon proposed amendment to the Authority's Policy on Minimum Insurance and Bonding Requirements for Construction Projects.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the board. Nichole Murphy provided detailed information on required insurance for construction projects. Discussion was held. Board Member Donald Johnston made the motion to table this item. Board Member Kristofor Spiegel seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Board Member Henry Koehler made the motion to go into Executive Session at 12:35 p.m. Board Member Stanley Thomas seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

XVII. Executive Session

Pursuant to Government Code, Sections 551.129 the Board of Directors may adjourn into closed Executive Session to discuss the following:

- a. Consultations Between Governmental Body and Its Attorney
 - i. Consider GTUA contract negotiations

Board Meeting reconvened into regular session at 12:51 p.m.

- XVIII. Consider all matters incident and related to the execution of an amended and restated contract for Water Supply and Sewer Service between Greater Texoma Utility Authority and the City of Sherman, Texas, including the adoption of a resolution pertaining thereto.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. The City of Sherman has approved this amended and restated contract. Board Member Matt Brown made the motion to approve the amended and restated contract for Water Supply and Sewer Service between Greater Texoma Utility Authority and the City of Sherman, Texas. Board Member Scott Blackerby seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

- XIX. Consider all matters incident and related to the execution of an amended and restated contract for Water Supply and Sewer Service between Greater Texoma Utility Authority and the Bear Creek Special Utility District, including the adoption of a resolution pertaining thereto.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. Board Member Stanley Thomas made the motion to approve the amended and restated contract for Water Supply and Sewer Service between Greater Texoma Utility Authority and the Bear Creek Special Utility District. Board Member Kristofor Spiegel seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

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

- Update Health, Dental and Vision Insurance to begin all on October 1
- Discussed CGMA water usage through the end of the water year and NTMWD's adjustment to the water rates by reducing the rate by \$0.05 per 1000 gallons. The change is a results reduce cost in chemicals for the system.

XXI. Adjourn

Board Member Scott Blackerby made the motion to adjourn. Board Member Kristofor Spiegel seconded the motion. Board President Brad Morgan declared the meeting adjourned at 1:01 p.m.

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Velma Starks
Recording Secretary

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Secretary-Treasurer