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

#### **MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 2025**

# AT THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES 5100 AIRPORT DRIVE DENISON TX 75020

Members Present:

Robert Hallberg, Donald Johnston, Brad Morgan, Ken Brawley, Matt Brown,

Stanley Thomas, Scott Blackerby, and Henry Koehler

Members Absent:

Kristofor Spiegel,

Staff:

Paul Sigle, Stacy Patrick, Tasha Hamilton, Debi Atkins, Nichole Murphy and

Velma Starks

General Counsel:

Mike Wynne, Wynne and Smith

**Bond Counsel:** 

Kristen Savant, Norton Rose Fulbright

#### I. <u>Call to Order</u>

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. Administer Oath of Office.

Velma Starks, Notary Public, administered the Oath of Office to the following reappointed Board Members: Ken Brawley, Brad Morgan, Robert Hallberg, and Henry E. Koehler.

### IV. Consider and act upon Officers for 2025 Calendar Year.

The Committee consisting of Robert Hallberg, Kristofor Spiegel, and Matt Brown suggested that the same officers be selected: Board President, Brad Morgan, Vice President Donald Johnston, and Secretary/Treasurer Scott Blackerby. Board Matt Brown made a motion to keep the same officers. Board Member Stanley Thomas seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

#### V. 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.

- VI. \* Consider and act upon approval of Minutes of December 16, 2024, Meeting.
- VII. \* Consider and act upon approval of accrued liabilities for December 2024.

- VIII. \* Consider and act upon Change Order #2 for the City of Sherman WWTP PC 1 Equipment Replacement & Sludge PS Rehabilitation Contract With Red River Construction Co
- IX. \* Consider and act upon Change Order #2 for the City of Krum Masch Branch Road Water Well Contract With THI Water Well
- X. \* Consider and act upon Change Order #1 for the City of Sherman WWTP Equalization Basin Contract with Red River Construction Co.
- XI. \* Consider and act upon Change Order No. 3 with Red River Construction Company for CGMA Bloomdale Pump Station, Phase 2 Improvements, Contract A.

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

XII. <u>Citizens to be Heard.</u>

No citizens wished to be heard.

XIII. Consider and act upon Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year Ending September 20, 2024.

Clayton Rogers, auditor, Pattillo, Brown & Hill, LLP reviewed the Audit with the Board. Board Member Henry Koehler made a motion to adopt the Audit as presented. Board Member Scott Blackerby seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

XIV. 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
(Bartley Woods WSC Water System Improvements Project).

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. Board Member Scott Blackerby made a motion that the Board authorize the submission of an application to the TWDB for funds to be used by the Authority for the Bartley Woods WSC Improvements Project in the amount not to exceed \$4,200,000.00. 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 Red River Construction Co. for the City of Sherman Post
Oak Wastewater Treatment Plant Equalization Basin Improvements Project as complete.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. Board Member Matt Brown made a motion to accept the contract as complete, contingent on the City of Sherman approving the contract with Red River Construction Co. for the City of Sherman Post Oak Wastewater Treatment Plant Equalization Basin Improvements Project as complete. Board Member Stanley Thomas seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

XVI. Consider and act upon the award of contract for the City of Sherman Crossroads Wastewater Main Extension Project.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. The City of Sherman approved this item on January 20, 2025. Board Member Ken Brawley made a motion to award a contract to Lynn Vessels Construction, LLC in the amount of \$1,424,838.15 for the City

of Sherman Crossroads Wastewater Main Extension Project. Board Member Scott Blackerby seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

XVII. Consider and act upon change order 2 for the City of Pottsboro WWTP Improvements Project with Archer Western Constructors, LLC

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. The City of Pottsboro has already authorized the Authority to execute this Change Order. Board Member Matt Brown made a motion to approve Change Order No. 2, for the City of Pottsboro WWTP Improvements Project with Archer Western Constructors, LLC an increase of \$129,265.00 to the contract resulting in the amount of \$11,118,265.00. Board Member Donald Johnston seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

XVIII. Consider and act upon a professional service agreement with Freese and Nichols, Inc. for the CGMA Regional Water System Master Plan

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background for the Board. Board Member Robert Hallberg made a motion to approve a professional service agreement with Freese and Nichols, Inc. for the CGMA Regional Water System Master Plan not-to-exceed amount of \$267,000. Board Member Scott Blackerby seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Board Member Ken Brawley made a motion to go into Executive Session. Board Member Matt Brown Seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Board convened into Executive Session at 12:29 p.m.

#### XIX. Executive Session

Pursuant to Government Code, Sections 551,074 and 551.129, the Board of Directors may adjourn into closed Executive Session to discuss the following:

- a. Personnel Matters
  - i. Consider evaluation, duties and employment of Authority General Manager
- b. Consultations Between Governmental Body and Its Attorney
  - i. Consider GTUA contract negotiations

Board reconvened into Regular Session at 1:38 p.m.

No Action taken

- XX. Receive General Manager's Report: The General Manager will update the Board on operational and other activities of the Authority.
  - North TX Texoma pipeline
  - Rose Hill SUD Open Market funding
  - Robby Hefton, City Manager, retirement from City of Sherman
  - CGMA shutdown

#### XXI. Adjourn

Board Member Scott Blackerby made the motion to adjourn. Board Member Matt Brown seconded the motion. Board President Brad Morgan declared the meeting adjourned at 1:41 p.m..

Velma Starks Recording Secretary