

**MINUTES OF THE
LLANO ESTACADO REGIONAL WATER PLANNING GROUP (REGION 0)
THURSDAY June 16, 2011**

1. CALL TO ORDER and WELCOME BY CHAIRMAN H.P. BROWN JR.

Chairman H.P. Brown Jr. called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. in the A. Wayne Wyatt Board Room of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 Office, 2930 Ave. Q, Lubbock, Texas

Notice of the meeting was provided in advance to each member and was also filed/posted in Accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act at the following locations: Office of the Texas Secretary of State; Lubbock County Courthouse; Administrative Offices of the High Plains Groundwater Water Conservation District No. 1; the regional water planning group web site at www.llanoplan.org and the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District web site at www.hpwd.com

2. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS TO ESTABLISH QUORUM

At 10:04 am Chairman Brown called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

The following Llano Estacado Regional Water Planning Members were in attendance:

H.P. Brown Jr. - Chairman, Jim Conkwright - Vice Chairman, Doug Hutcheson - Secretary/Treasurer, Richard Leonard, Don McElroy, Harvey Everheart, Aubrey Spear, Dr. Ken Rainwater, Delaine Baucum, Bill Harbin, Michael McClendon, Dr. Melanie Barnes, and Bruce Blalack.

Unable to Attend (Excused Absence): Gene Montgomery, Bob Josserand, Kent Satterwhite, Mark Kirkpatrick, Delmon Ellison Jr. Jim Steiert, and John Taylor.

Absent Members (Non-Excused): None

Non-Voting Members in Attendance: Angela Kennedy-TWDB, Stefan Schuster - Subcontractor, John Clayton, and Malcolm Laing - TCEQ

Absent Non-Voting Members: Steve Jones-TDA

A Quorum of the Llano Estacado Regional Water Planning Group was Present.
(There were 13 of 20 in attendance or 65 %)

Others in attendance: Mike McGregor – HPWD, Jason Coleman SPUWCD/GMA #2, Debra Nail – DBSA, Ben Weinheimer – TCFA, Lori Barnes – LEUWCD, Cleon Namkin – USDA – NRCS, and William Asquith – Texas Tech/USGS.

3. The LERWPG will receive input from the public on the scope of planning activities to be considered during the fourth (4) cycle of regional water planning for Region O. Chairman Brown called on Stefan Schuster, the subcontractor and Angela Kennedy, with the Texas Water Development Board to present the scope of work and review the fourth (4) round of funding for regional water planning for Region O. Mr. Schuster displayed a power point to the LERWPG and others in attendance indicating the tasks to be performed with \$177,022 in funding from TWDB.

Chairman Brown requested comment from the public based on the “ public meeting “ notice posted and served at the required locations, web sites, individuals, and regional water planning groups. No individuals offered any comment.

4. The LERWPG will discuss and consider approval of the March 10, 2011 regular meeting minutes. The March 10, 2011 minutes were previously provided electronically as well as copies available in hard copy at this meeting. It was moved by Aubrey Spear to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Don McElroy. The March 10, 2011 minutes were approved unanimously.

5. The LERWPG will discuss and consider approval of the financial statement. The financial report was unchanged from the March 10, 2011 meeting with \$20.00 remaining in the account to keep the account active in anticipation of the fourth (4) round of funding. Harvey Everheart moved acceptance of the report. Delaine Baucum seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

6. The LERWPG will receive and consider acceptance of resignation letter of Alan Bayer representing county government. Mr. Bayer is no longer County Judge of Terry County and submitted his resignation representing County Government for Region O. It was moved by Don McElroy to accept Mr. Bayer’s resignation. Motion was seconded by Aubrey Spear. The motion was approved unanimously.

7. The LERWPG will discuss and consider approval of execution of an intergovernmental agreement between HPUWCD No. 1 and the Texas Water Development Board to prepare the Region O Water Plan. Daniel B. Stephens & Associates was previously selected in a competitive process by LERWPG as the subcontractor. High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No.1 is the administrative and management agency for LERWPG (Region O) to develop the plan.

8. The LERWPG will receive for information update on HPUWCD No. 1 request to Texas Water Development Board for Fourth (4) Cycle of Regional Water Planning for Region O.
This item and information was addressed in previous agenda items.

9. The LERWPG will receive an update on the Groundwater Management Area representatives efforts regarding Desired Future Conditions (DFC's) for aquifers in their area. (Jim Conkwright for GMA #1 and Jason Coleman for GMA #2).

10. The LERWPG will receive an update regarding joint planning efforts between Regions A & O. (Kyle Ingham). No report was given. Mr. Conkwright communicated that an informational meeting had been scheduled between the Region A and O administrative groups, but was cancelled for a later date.

11. The LERWPG will receive an update on activities of the Texas Water Conservation Advisory Council. (Gene Montgomery). No report was given.

12. The LERWPG will receive a report from the LERWPG Administrator. (Jim Conkwright, High Plains Water District No. 1). Mr. Conkwright updated the group on coordination efforts between Region O and Region A. Meetings with Region O and A officials are planned in the next few months.

13. The LERWPG will receive reports from its liaisons to other regional water planning groups:

Region A (Kent Satterwhite)

No report given. It was communicated that Freese/Nichols had been selected for Region A.

Region B & TWDB (Angela Kennedy)

The process and general schedule was presented to distribute the completed 2012 Plan.

Region F (Harvey Everheart)

No recent or new information from last update.

Region G (Michael McClendon)

HDR has been selected for the Forth (4) Cycle in Region G and an update on TCEQ – Water Master discussion for the Brazos Basin.

14. Other Business:

PUBLIC COMMENT/INPUT

Aubrey Spear gave an update on the Lake Alan Henry project. Present drought conditions were reported from Mesa, Llano Estacado, and South Plains Districts.

OTHER BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS: Next meeting is unscheduled, but anticipated to be in October of 2011.

15. Adjourn: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 am.

The above conveys my understanding of the issues discussed and conclusions reached. I assume this understanding is correct until notice of the contrary is received. Respectfully submitted.

H.P. "Bo" Brown

H.P. "Bo" Brown, Jr., Chairman

Doug Hutcheson

Doug Hutcheson, Secretary/Treasurer

Approved 11/17/11 at LERWPG Meeting

