

South Texas Water Master Advisory Committee

Minutes

7/2/08

Al Segovia welcomed the members and guests. Mr. Segovia stated due to the extreme drought conditions in south Texas, the Upper Guadalupe and Medina Rivers are critical areas. All temporary permits in the Hill Country are cut off and temporary permits in other areas of the South Texas Watermaster jurisdiction are being evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

The meeting was called to order at 1:43 pm by Chairman Mario Escobar.

Wesley Hamff moved and Steve Raabe seconded to approve the minutes from June 12, 2007 meeting. The motion carried.

New Members – New Expiration of Terms of Office.

Senate Bill 3 revised the Texas Water code to specify that watermaster advisory committee member's terms expire on August 31st of odd number years. This means that the terms of all members of the South Texas Watermaster Advisory Committee expire on August 31, 2009.

New members were introduced as follows: Stuart Barron – City of Kerrville, Jim Murphy – Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority and Gustavo Gonzales – City of Corpus Christi.

Budget

Al Segovia and Tracy Miller presented the proposed FY09 budget. The FY09 Operating Budget needs totaled \$571,626.41. The assessment necessary based on 97% collection rate is \$589,305.00.

Lynn Short moved and Charles Ahrens seconded to recommend approval of the FY09 Budget. The motioned carried.

New Business

A.J. Jones, non-voting member from Concho River Watermaster Advisory Committee, offered to contact key legislators and elected officials in an effort to resolve the inability to carryover unexpended watermaster funds between bieniums.

Steve Raabe moved and Lynn Short seconded to support A.J. Jones in contacting legislators and other elected officials regarding the inability to carryover unexpended watermaster funds between bieniums. The motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 2:23 pm.