# CONCHO RIVER WATERMASTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING (CRWAC) VIA MS TEAMS 10:30 AM

# July 15, 2021 MINUTES

# Call to Order

City of San Angelo Mayor, Brenda Gunter called the meeting to order at 10:36 a.m.

#### Roll Call

Members in attendance were:

Mayor Brenda Gunter, City of San Angelo Water Utilities Director Allison Strube, City of San Angelo City Manager Daniel Valenzuela, City of San Angelo Councilman Tom Thompson, City of San Angelo Mr. Jack Pool, Dove Creek

TCEQ Personnel present were:

Jose Davila, Daniel Schroeder, Iliana Spaeth, Alisha Multer, and Landry Nash

Review of July 16, 2020 meeting minutes

 Mayor Gunter moved to approve minutes. The motion was seconded by Daniel Valenzuela. All members present in favor of approval.

#### **New Business**

#### FY2021 Expected Expenditures

- On track for expenditures for FY2021.
- Project approximately \$3,000 to \$4,000 left over which will go to fund.
- Current through June 30, 2021 10 months.
- FY2022 Proposed Budget Increase of approx. \$6,000 due salary and fringe adjustments
- New Municipal rate \$0.7442
- Irrigation rate \$0.5953
- Ouestions?
  - Mayor Gunter Increase due to salaries?
    - Increase also due to fringe associated with salary increases.
  - Ocity Manager Valenzuela Why is the fund balance so high? It appears it is closer to 6 months of program expenses versus 3 months, can we reduce the fund to 3 months?
    - Some funds were carried over in FY2020 due to changes as result of the pandemic, but Jose Davila will confirm.
    - Agency prefers to operate closer to 6 months.
  - Water Utilities Director Strube Did TCEQ or Watermaster program receive any CAREs funds?
    - Don't think so but will Jose Davila will confirm.
- A motion was presented by Allison Strube to approve the budget and present to the commissioners. The motion was seconded by Daniel Valenzuela. All members present in favor. Follow-up requested on questions regarding fund balance and CAREs funds.

#### **Update on WAC Membership**

• No vacancies, and all membership current until FY2022.

## **Old Business**

#### **Site Visits**

- As of June 30, 2021, watermaster staff have conducted 1700 of 2000 (85%) site visits needed for FY2021.
- On track to meet FY2021 goals.

## **Future Meetings**

- Will need to have a meeting around same time next year to go over proposed budget.
- Mayor Gunter requested meeting be held on third Thursday of July next year if possible.

## Adjourn

- A motion was introduced by Daniel Valenzuela to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Allison Strube.
- The motion was unanimously approved and the meeting was adjourned at 10:49 a.m by Mayor Gunter.

A. J. Jones, Co-Chair CRWAC

Brenda Gunter, Co-Chair CRWAC

Stuart Seidel, Secretary CRWAC

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To: Cc:

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tom thompson@cosatx.us.

Subject:

Re: Concho Watermaster WAC Meeting Details

Friday, July 23, 2021 2:04:55 PM Date:

#### Mr. Davila.

I apologize for not attending the meeting as I had a client who needed assistance and information regarding a water rights amendment.

I have read both voting items on the agenda and this email serves as my electronic vote in favor of both items.

Chuck

On Fri, Jul 23, 2021 at 1:50 PM Jose Davila Jose Davila teeg texas gov wrote: Good afternoon

We have received one vote from Mr. Gassiot. We are short one electronic vote to complete the quorum and the votes required.

Thank you in advance

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Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 21, 2021, at 4:38 PM. Jose Davila Jose Davila@tceq.texas.gov wrote:

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Feel free to reach out to me, if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Jose A. Davila Watermaster Section Manager Water Availabilty Division 1152 Ferry St, Suite E&F From:

Billy Gassict Jose Davila

Subject:

Re: Concho Watermaster WAC Meeting Details

Date: Attachments: Thursday, July 22, 2021 8:42:45 AM

i vote to approve item 1 and vote to approve item 2, thanks

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