

Aqua Water Supply Corporation
Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, February 04, 2025

Present: David Glass, Earl Steinbach, Mark McArthur, Linda Garcia, Bill Tomsu, Craig Williams, Howard McCall, Barry Barker and Pamela Harkins

Absent: N/A

Staff: Dacy Cameron, Christie Nutt, Frank Pacheco, Cody Boatright, Emily O'Leary, Hollye Fain, Suzanne Hollon, Ashley Abshier, Heather Tucker, Jason Kennedy, Jody Pruitt, and Alma Villarreal

Consultants: Joe Morris, Ty Embrey of Lloyd Gosselink, and Curtis Steger of Steger & Bizzell Engineering, Inc.

Guests: Nieves Alfaro and Mary Barton representing Quiddity Engineering, Dustin Samford and Michael Irlbeck representing EPCOR, Sylvia Carrillo-Trevino representing City of Bastrop, Lizeth Gil representing LanZola, Sammy Salinas representing himself, Isaias Salinas representing himself, Dave McMurry representing himself, and Francis Acuna representing herself.

President David Glass called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

Mr. Glass invited all in attendance to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the national and state flags.

Mr. Tomsu delivered the Invocation.

President Glass announced the next regularly scheduled board meeting would be held on Tuesday, March 4, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

Bill Tomsu made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 07, 2025, board meeting. Pam Harkins seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Mr. Isaias Salinas and Mr. Sammy Salinas addressed the board for an update on their request to have the lock removed from the existing water meter at their property, because their request for additional meters was denied, they need the existing meter activated to perform a pressure test and have access to water. Mr. Glass stated the staff will follow up with him to address the issue.

Ms. Sylvia Carrillo-Trevino addressed the board about issues the City of Bastrop is facing with the developers of the Valverde Subdivision. She mentioned there are significant discrepancies in the agreements, and once the final agreement is completed, they will notify Aqua WSC.

Ms. Francis Acuna addressed the board to express her concerns about the water quality in her area and expressed her involvement in water preservation and conservation efforts. She asked for information on how she can advocate for her community on these issues and also possibly having the water tested. Mr. Glass suggested she contact the staff during the break to receive the information she requested.

There were no board member comments.

Linda Garcia made a motion to approve the bills as paid. Mark McArthur seconded the motion. The board reviewed the bills as paid. The staff answered questions from the board. The motion carried.

The board reviewed the financial statement.

Earl Steinbach made a motion to appoint a voting delegate to represent Aqua WSC at the TRWA Annual Meeting and Convention. Mr. Steinbach moved that the General Manager, Dacy Cameron, represent Aqua WSC at the Convention. Craig Williams seconded the motion. Earl Steinbach made an amended motion to include Emily O'Leary as the alternate delegate. Craig Williams seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Dacy Cameron recommended to the board to discuss agenda item #10, approve a Water Service Agreement between Aqua WSC and EPCOR; and agenda item #11, approve an offer from Aqua WSC for Wholesale Water Supply from EPCOR, until the executive session.

Linda Garcia made a motion on Water CCN Transfer matters involving the City of Elgin, including the adoption of an amendment to the City of Elgin Master CCN Transfer Agreement to address the Rhode Tract and any other applicable properties. Bill Tomsu seconded the motion. Dacy Cameron provided a briefing and discussion. The motion carried.

Howard McCall made a motion on approving an Agreement Relating to Decertification for Lund Farm Municipal Utility District. Linda Garcia seconded the motion. Dacy Cameron provided a briefing and discussion. The motion carried.

Mark McArthur made a motion to pass a resolution declaring unopposed director candidate(s) of Aqua Water Supply Corporation Elected. Resolution No. 25.02.01. Craig Williams seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Earl Steinbach made a motion to approve Wholesale Water Service to Elgin Landing Wholesale. Resolution No. 25.02.02. Mark McArthur seconded the motion. Emily O'Leary provided a briefing and discussion. The motion carried.

Bill Tomsu made a motion to approve Wholesale Water Service to Sandeen Farms Wholesale. Resolution No. 25.02.03. Linda Garcia seconded the motion. Emily O'Leary provided a briefing and discussion. The motion carried.

Mark McArthur made a motion to pass a resolution recognizing the feasibility of providing water service to BRD Land Investment. Resolution No. 25.02.04. Craig Williams seconded the motion. Emily O'Leary provided a briefing and discussion. The motion carried.

Earl Steinbach made a motion to pass a resolution recognizing the feasibility of providing water service to Pistol Hill MH. Resolution No. 25.02.05. Howard McCall seconded the motion. Emily O'Leary provided a briefing and discussion. The motion carried.

Mark McArthur made a motion to approve Wholesale Water Service to Sky Ranch MUD. Resolution No. 25.02.06. Bill Tomsu seconded the motion. Emily O'Leary provided a briefing and discussion. The motion carried.

President Glass made a formal request to the board for the approval of the feasibility studies pertaining to agenda items 20(a) through 20(hh). Earl Steinbach made a motion to approve agenda items 20(a) through 20(hh). Bill Tomsu seconded the motion. Mr. Glass inquired with the board regarding the existence of any feasibility studies that require discussion prior to granting approval. Emily O'Leary requested to table agenda item 20(r) Resolution No. 25.02.24, approving large volume service to Old McDade Subdivision Lot 11 Commercial until the next meeting, per developer's request. Mr. Glass amended the motion to include tabling agenda item 20(r) until the next meeting. Additionally, Dacy Cameron and Emily O'Leary requested to pull agenda item 20(dd) Resolution 25.02.36, recognizing the feasibility of providing water service to Hopewell School. Mrs. Cameron stated that after reviewing the feasibility request in-house, it was determined that the existing meter would be sufficient for the project; consequently, no approval action is necessary for Resolution No. 25.02.36. The motion passed unanimously to approve agenda items 20(a) through 20(hh), with the exception of 20(r) and 20(hh).

Pam Harkins made a motion authorizing condemnation for Jay Creighton and Pat Creighton of the Foster Well Project. Resolution No. 25.02.41. Howard McCall seconded the motion. Emily O'Leary provided a briefing and discussion. Mrs. O'Leary recommended to the board that any questions regarding compensation or offers that were made should be addressed in executive session. The motion carried.

Barry Barker arrived at the meeting at 9:40 a.m.

Linda Garcia made a motion authorizing condemnation for Joseph and Paulette Johnson of the Foster Well Project. Resolution No. 25.02.42. Mark McArthur seconded the motion. Emily O'Leary provided a briefing and discussion. Mrs. O'Leary recommended to the board that any questions regarding compensation or offers that were made should be addressed in executive session. The motion carried.

Linda Garcia made a motion authorizing condemnation for Jeffrey W. Warnken and Sandra N. Warnken of the Foster Well Project. Resolution No. 25.02.43. Bill Tomsu seconded the motion. Emily O'Leary provided a briefing and discussion. Mrs. O'Leary recommended to the board that any questions regarding compensation or offers that were made should be addressed in executive session. The motion carried.

Linda Garcia made a motion authorizing condemnation for Jerry J. Simon and Deborah Simon, et al of the Foster Well Project. Resolution No. 25.02.44. Howard McCall seconded the motion. Emily O'Leary provided a briefing and discussion. Mrs. O'Leary recommended to the board that any questions regarding compensation or offers that were made should be addressed in executive session. The motion carried.

Craig Williams reported there was no meeting held, and there were no recommendations from the Strategic Planning Committee.

Earl Steinbach reported there was no meeting held, and there were no recommendations from the Finance Committee. Mr. Glass requested that a Finance Committee meeting be scheduled.

Craig Williams reported there was no meeting held, and there were no recommendations from the Performance Review Committee.

Bill Tomsu reported there was no meeting held, and there were no recommendations from the Corporate Governance Committee.

Linda Garcia reported the Aqua's Public Relations Committee met on January 14, 2025, and requested Hollye Fain to provide a report during the PR & Communications session.

Dacy Cameron reviewed the General Manager's Report. Mrs. Cameron then stood for questions from the board.

President Glass adjourned Regular Session at 9:53 a.m. for a break. Mr. Glass reconvened Regular Session at 10:20 a.m.

Emily O'Leary provided a presentation on the Aqua WSC Feasibility Study Process. The presentation highlighted the goals, progress, and outlook of the studies. Mrs. O'Leary then stood for questions from the board.

Emily O'Leary gave a briefing on the Engineering and Construction Report. Mrs. O'Leary then stood for questions from the board. The board requested the Well Drill Manager attend future meetings to update on well projects. Mr. Glass proposed capturing a video of the elevated tanks under construction. The board expressed concerns about the Webberwood EST reconstruction site and asked for more research to avoid past construction issues. Mr. Glass suggested overdesigning the foundation for better tank support, while Dacy Cameron mentioned she would negotiate a warranty with contractors to ensure accountability.

Hollye Fain announced that Aqua WSC will celebrate its 55-year anniversary throughout the year, highlighting the company's history and progress. She also mentioned Aqua's sponsorship of Texas Water Day at the Capitol and the Bastrop Chamber Luncheon next month. Mrs. Fain reminded the board of the upcoming annual meeting in April in Rockne, Texas, and updated them on the Public Relations Committee's January meeting, where new logo concepts were presented. The board suggested conducting a survey with staff and members for feedback on the logos, with results to be shared at the next meeting.

Joe Morris provided his Government Relations overview. Mr. Morris then stood for questions from the board.

There was no General Counsel's Report.

President Glass adjourned the Regular Session at 11:29 a.m. and immediately convened an Executive Session under the Texas Government Code, Section 551.071, for purposes of legal advice and consultations with Aqua's general counsel, Texas Government Code, Section 551.072, for the purposes of deliberating real property, and Texas Government Code, Section 551.074, for purposes of discussing personnel matters.

President Glass adjourned the Executive Session at 12:39 p.m. Mr. Glass reconvened the Regular Session at 12:39 p.m. He stated no action was taken and no decisions were made in the Executive Session.

Mr. Glass moved back to agenda item #10 and #11 which was tabled earlier.

Linda Garcia made a motion to approve the general manager to negotiate with EPCOR on agenda item #10, approve a Water Service Agreement between Aqua WSC and EPCOR; and agenda item #11, approve an offer from Aqua WSC for Wholesale Water Supply from EPCOR, with the price not to exceed \$5.49. Bill Tomsu seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

There being no further business, President Glass adjourned the meeting at 12:41 p.m.

Approved: March 4, 2025



William F. Tomsu, Secretary Treasurer



David Glass, President