# **MEETING MINUTES**



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**PROJECT:** Sabine Regional Flood Planning Group (RFPG)

NAME OF MEETING: Region 4 Sabine RFPG Meeting RECORDED BY: Mat Leclair, PE, CFM, CPESC DATE: May 25, 2023; 2:00pm

**LOCATION:** Virtual and In-Person (SRA Office – Orange, TX)

The following reflects our understanding of the items discussed during the subject meeting. If you do not notify us within five working days, we will assume that you are in agreement with our understanding.

Voting Member	Interest Category	Present (x) / Absent ( ) /
		Alternate Present (*)
James (Bill) Bruce	Agriculture Interests	X
Johnny Trahan	Counties	X
Francis X. Shannon	Electric Generating Utilities	
Clyde V. McKee III	Environmental Interests	
Doug Manning	Flood Districts	X
Nikki Davis	Industries	X
Alton Bradley	Municipalities	X
Michelle Falgout	Public	X
Travis Williams	River Authorities	X
Jeff Rogers	Small Business	X
Roman D. Griffin	Water Districts	
Ross Gordon	Water Utilities	X

Voting Members: 9

Voting Members Present: 12

Quorum: Yes

Non-Voting Member	Interest Category	Present (x) / Absent ( ) /
		Alternate Present (*)
*vacant*	General Land Office	
Kathy Sauceda	Texas Commission on Environmental	
	Quality	
Manuel Martinez	Texas Department of Agriculture	X
Andrea Sanders	Texas Division of Emergency Management	
Robert (Bob) Baker	Texas Parks and Wildlife	X
Trey Watson	Texas State Soil and Water Conservation	
	Board	
Ryke Moore	Texas Water Development Board	X

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Other Meeting Attendees:

Mat Leclair (FNI)
Allison Hand (FNI)
Mark Howard (SRA)
Christine Gartner (SRA)
Jake Madewell
James Bronikowski (TWDB)

#### Agenda Item 1: Call to Order

- Travis Williams called the meeting to order at 2:04 pm.

#### Agenda Item 2: Roll Call

- Mark Howard confirmed quorum with 8 out of 12 voting members.
  - Johnny Trahan joined the meeting after roll was called bringing the total number of RFPG members to 9.

# Agenda Item 3: Receive public comments (public comments limited to 3 minutes per speaker)

No comments were presented.

# Agenda Item 4: Discussion and Approval of minutes from the previous Region 4 Sabine RFPG meeting on May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

- James (Bill) Bruce motions to adopt the minutes as presented and Jeff Rogers seconds the motion. Motion passes.

# Agenda Item 5: Updates from Chair

- Packet includes the accounting to date. Payments are in process.
  - o FNI is in process of preparing 2 more to send to SRA.

#### Agenda Item 6: Updates from Texas Water Development Board

- TWDB sent out amended plan submittal guidance.
- June sponsor call that is being scheduled. Will be discussing transition into the second cycle.
- For drawing lots, it's up to the chair on whether it is a 2 year term or a 5 year term.

### Agenda Item 7: Updates from Region 5, Neches RFPG Report.

 Doug Manning attended yesterday's meeting which was the same exercise as the Sabine's meeting for approving FMXs.

#### Agenda Item 8: Update from Technical Consultant, Freese and Nichols

- Mat Leclair provided an update on the following items:
  - New FMXs for Amended Plan
    - Proposing 176 FMEs (+113 increase)
    - Proposing 59 FMSs (+10 increase)
    - Proposing 33 FMPs (+32 increase)
      - #19 Turtle Creek Detention pond was recommended to be removed from the list because the project had adverse impacts above TWDB's thresholds.

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# Agenda Item 9: Discussion and potential action on recommended FMEs.

- James (Bill) Bruce motions to approve the list of 176 FMEs and Johnny Trahan seconds the motion. Motion passes.

#### Agenda Item 10: Discussion and potential action on recommended FMSs.

- Ross Gordon motions to approve the list of 59 FMSs and Michelle Falgout seconds the motion. Motion passes.

### Agenda Item 11: Discussion and potential action on recommended FMPs.

- James (Bill) Bruce motions to approve the list of 34 FMPs as presented and Johnny Trahan seconds the motion. Motion passes.
  - Motion amended to exclude #19 to bring the total to 33.
  - Amended motion passes

# Agenda Item 12: Consider date and agenda items for next meeting.

- Travis Williams proposes the next meeting to be held on Monday, June 26<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm.

### Agenda Item 13: Adjourn

- Johnny Trahan motions to adjourn the meeting and Nikki Davis seconds the motion. Travis Williams ended the meeting at 2:27pm.