

# OKLAHOMA WATER RESOURCES BOARD

## OFFICIAL MINUTES

June 15, 2021

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Oklahoma Water Resources Board was called to order by Chairman Robert L. Stallings, Jr., at 9:30 a.m. on June 15, 2021, in the second floor Board Room of the Oklahoma Water Resources Board located at 3800 N. Classen Boulevard, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 73118. The meeting was conducted pursuant to the Oklahoma Open Meeting Law with due and proper notice provided pursuant to Sections 303 and 311 thereof. The agenda was posted on June 11, 2021, at 1:00 p.m. at the Oklahoma Water Resources Board's offices at 3800 N. Classen Boulevard, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and provided on the agency's website.

A. Roll Call. Chairman Stallings welcomed everyone to the meeting and stated it was nice to meet in person again after more than a year of Zoom meetings. He asked for the roll call of members.

Following the roll call, Chairman Stallings stated that new member Mr. Ron Justice had attended the May meeting, and he welcomed new member Mr. Bob Latham in attendance today.

#### Board Members Present

Robert L. Stallings, Jr., Chairman  
Jennifer Castillo, Acting Secretary  
Charles Darby  
Thomas A. Gorman  
Ron Justice  
Suzanne Landess  
Bob Latham  
Robert L. Melton  
Matt Muller

#### Board Members Absent

None

#### Staff Members Present

Julie Cunningham, Executive Director  
Sara Gibson, General Counsel  
Joe Freeman, Chief, Financial Assistance Division  
Bill Cauthron, Chief, Water Quality Programs Division  
Chris Neel, Chief, Planning and Management Division  
Yohanes Sugeng, Chief, Engineering and Planning Division  
Cleve Pierce, Chief, Administrative Services Division  
Mary Schooley, Executive Secretary

#### Others Attending

Katy Feaver, LegisOK, Oklahoma City, OK  
Jeff Everett, OG&E, Oklahoma City, OK

Kim L. Peterson, Mayor, City of Guymon, OK  
Marla Peek, Oklahoma Farm Bureau, Oklahoma City, OK

B. Discussion, Amendments, and Vote to Approve Official Minutes of the May 18, 2021, Regular Meeting. Chairman Stallings stated members were provided the draft minutes of the May 18, 2021, meeting and asked if there were amendments or discussion, and if not, he would entertain a motion for approval. There were no comments or amendments.

Ms. Castillo moved to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2021, Regular Meeting, and Mr. Darby seconded. Chairman Stallings called for the vote.

AYE: Castillo, Darby, Justice, Muller, Melton, Latham, Landess, Stallings

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Gorman

C. Executive Director's Report

Ms. Julie Cunningham, Executive Director, welcomed everyone to the meeting and said it was great to see members in person. She welcomed Mr. Latham and read his brief bio that he represents industrial water use interests, is owner of Circle B Measurement & Fabrication, and founding partner of the Latham, Steele & Lehman law firm. Mr. Latham stated he was honored to be on the Board, clean water is used in his businesses, he has wells for cattle and other permits, and he looked forward to serving with the Board.

Ms. Cunningham began her report updating the members on the weather conditions and outlook; there has been an increase in rainfall, and the USGS station in southeast Oklahoma showed 369% above normal and Broken Bow is at 344% above with May 11-June 9 the number one wettest 30-day period. The OWRB Floodplain Management Staff had contacted the McCurtain County Floodplain Managers and learned of area damage and Wright City and Valliant received 10 inches of rain in less than 24 hours. Most of the communities are part of the National Flood Insurance Program and are citizens eligible for low-cost flood insurance. Staff is continuing work with Pushmataha County and McCurtain County toward participation in the program. The Broken Bow lake level is 18 feet above the top of the conservation pool, and Pine Creek is 37 feet above the top of the pool. The outlook from NOAA through August 2021 is a 35% increased probability for below normal precipitation in the Panhandle and the remainder of the state has an equal chance of being above or below normal. The NOAA predicts above average temperatures with below normal precipitation for the western US.

Regarding the COVID situation update, Ms. Cunningham reported that the agency is following Governor Stitt's latest executive order cancelling the state of emergency; the agency is following CDC guidelines recommending masks for unvaccinated persons, and is basically back to normal operations in the office and in the field.

On May 11, staff met with The Nature Conservancy to hear its findings on a year-long stakeholder-engagement listening sessions on climate research involving 200 participants across the state including oil and gas, agriculture, energy, utilities, broadcast meteorologist, state agencies and Tribal Nations. The findings summarized areas of agreement and disagreement on the topic of climate and climate change, and she mentioned some of the findings takeaways. On May 19, the Dam Safety team received a call that the Waxhoma Dam at Barnsdall had been undermined with water flowing underneath the dam. The OWRB Chief Engineer, Yohanes Sugeng, will present the details to the Board in a presentation today. She explained the process where the local emergency manager coordinates the emergency situation and response by the US COE with assistance to stabilize the situation. The OWRB provides plans and specifications and breach inundation mapping for high hazard dams which means a breach would cause potential loss of life, as well as emergency action plans and are on the scene to conduct damage assessments and determine immediate action required by the Board for drawdown and/or stabilization to arrest the breach. On June 8, a meeting with the City of Barnsdall, federal and state agencies and Secretary of Energy and Environment Wagner, as well as Senators Lankford and Inhofe representatives, was held to identify potential funding sources and assistance.

The USCOE is providing a long-term siphon until a permanent solution can be found, and the OWRB can provide emergency grant assistance for an engineering report that looks at alternatives; there is a USCOE reservoir and two rural water districts that are potentially long-term solutions. Ms. Cunningham noted agenda item 3.O. regarding a consent order the OWRB dam safety engineers drafted with input from Barnsdall engineers that outlines steps for the City to take to lower the risk of the dam failing until permanent repairs can be made; the City approved the order on June 7. Ms. Cunningham reported on other events including an event by EPSCOR regarding social dynamics for competitive research and a \$20 million grant to universities to look at science-based solutions for complex problems at the intersection of land use, water availability, and infrastructure. The goal is to obtain citizen input engaging with researchers to look at the social dynamic of problem identification and solutions. Ms. Cunningham is representing the OWRB on the Opinion Leader Advisory Group and hopes to include its findings in the 2025 water plan.

Ms. Cunningham concluded her report updating the members on the measures passed by the Legislature and signed by the Governor: the Board's proposed rules for Chapters 45 and 46, HB 2900 authorizing a flat budget for the OWRB with the additional appropriation of \$2 million for the advanced hydrologic study of Arbuckle Simpson requested by the local constituents; and SB 1021 regarding a hydrogen pipeline supported by Secretary Wagner. Federally, the Biden Administration released the President's Budget including support for continuation of the USGS stream gaging program and funding to the Department of Agriculture US Forest service for fire preparedness.

There were no questions by members.

Mr. Gorman joined the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

#### D. Financial Update

1. Budget Report. Mr. Cleve Pierce presented the budget report which he said is for the period ending May 31, 2021. He said the agency has spent 79% of the appropriated budget, leaving 21%; has spent 58% of the revolving fund leaving 42%; has spent of 46% federal dollars with 54% remaining, and overall, the budget remaining stands at 39%, with 8% of the fiscal year remaining. He noted last year at this time there was 42% of the budget remaining, and the agency is in good shape for the remainder of the obligations, and for next year since the budget remained flat. He added there will be a larger budget for IT initiatives.

Mr. Pierce concluded the report. There were no questions.

## 2. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DIVISION

A. Consideration of and Possible Action on a Proposed Order Approving Emergency Grant for Rural Water District No. 6, Hughes County. Recommended for Approval. Mr. Joe Freeman, Chief, Financial Assistance Division, stated to the members that this first item is a \$39,000.00 Emergency Grant request from the Hughes County Rural Water District No. 6. He said that in 2004 an earthen dam and road were constructed covering a water line serving 90 district customers. During flooding events this past Spring, a portion of the main line was exposed and damaged. If the line was excavated, it would potentially affect the dam and the road. To correct the problem, the District will bore and replace the line of approximately 770 feet, removing it from beneath the dam. Project cost is estimated at \$46,200.00, and will be funded by the OWRB Emergency Grant, and \$7,200.00 in local funds. Staff recommended approval.

There were no questions. Chairman Stallings asked for a motion to approve the emergency grant request.

Mr. Darby moved to approve the Emergency Grant to the Hughes County RWD #6, and Ms. Castillo seconded. Chairman Stallings called for the vote.

AYE: Castillo, Darby, Justice, Gorman, Muller, Melton, Latham, Landess, Stallings

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

B. Consideration of and Possible Action on a Proposed Order Approving Clean Water Funding Application for The Dewar Public Works Authority, Okmulgee County. Recommended for Approval. Mr. Freeman stated this item is a \$1,637,000.00 loan request from the Dewar Public Works Authority located in Okmulgee County. He said the Authority is under consent order by the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality for permit violations and to meet the requirements Dewar proposes to retrofit the existing wastewater facility, construct a flow-through lagoon system with a cascade aerator. The project will be funded with the loan requested from the Board, in conjunction with a \$931,409.00 grant from the Indian Health Service. The loan will be funded through the Clean Water State Revolving Loan Program, and Mr. Freeman noted provisions of the loan agreement. He said that Dewar's debt coverage ratio stands at 1.8-times, and staff recommended approval.

Mr. Freeman relayed a statement to the Board from Mr. Gary McGowan, Vice Mayor of Dewar, asked expressing Dewar's appreciation to the Board and staff for providing low interest financing to make sewer system improvements that benefit towns like Dewar.

Chairman Stallings stated he would entertain a motion on the request by Dewar PWA for \$1.6 million loan for wastewater improvements. Ms. Castillo moved to approve the CWSRF loan to the Dewar PWA, and Mr. Muller seconded. There was no discussion, and Chairman Stallings called for the vote.

AYE: Castillo, Darby, Justice, Gorman, Muller, Melton, Latham, Landess, Stallings

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

C. Consideration of and Possible Action on a Proposed Order Approving Clean Water Funding Application for The Guymon Utilities Authority, Texas County. Recommended for Approval. Mr. Freeman stated this item is for a \$5,000,000.00 loan request from the Guymon Utilities Authority for the installation of approximately 4,180 automated water meters and retrofit fittings for approximately 4,250 gas meters with an AMR system and registers. He said the loan will be funded through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Loan Program, and he noted provisions of the loan agreement. Mr. Freeman said the Guymon has been a long-time, excellent borrower of the Board's and has two loans with the Board with a current outstanding balance of approximately \$7.5 million dollars. The Guymon UA debt coverage ratio stands at approximately 2.5-times. Staff recommended approval.

Mayor Kim Peterson addressed the members and expressed his appreciation to the Board for funding a project which has been discussed for ten years as the current software for the meters is no longer able to be updated. The UA is also looking at a system to track water usage on a minute-by-minute basis and is beginning a project to ensure potable water for the citizens and industry. The meters will ensure every gallon pumped is sold. He thanked the Board for its past support as well.

Chairman Stallings stated he would entertain a motion for approval. Ms. Landess moved to approve the \$5 million-dollar CWSRF loan to the Guymon UA, and Ms. Castillo seconded. Chairman Stallings called for the vote.

AYE: Castillo, Darby, Justice, Gorman, Muller, Melton, Latham, Landess, Stallings

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

D. Consideration of and Possible Action on a Proposed Order Approving Clean Water Funding Application for Oklahoma City Water Utilities Trust, Oklahoma County. Recommended for Approval. Mr. Freeman stated this item is for the consideration of a \$55,000,000.00 loan request by the Oklahoma City Water Utilities Trust. He said the project is for the installation of 240,000 automated water meters, and the

funding will be through the Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund Program, and he noted provisions of the loan agreement. Mr. Freeman stated over the last ten years, Oklahoma City's water and sewer connections have increased by approximately 15%. The Trust is an excellent customer of the Board's and currently has 17 loans with an outstanding balance of approximate \$422.6 million. Oklahoma City's debt coverage ratio stands at 2.6-times. Staff recommended approval.

Mr. Freeman shared the statement from the Trust provided to the Board thanking the Board for consideration of this loan request. The project will provide numerous benefits, including reduction in meter reading costs, elimination of mis-reads, elimination of estimated water usage during adverse weather conditions, and development of a meter replacement program based on analytics, rather than age.

Chairman Stallings asked if Oklahoma City is the Board's largest borrower, and Mr. Freeman answered, yes. He said he would entertain a motion regarding the \$55,000,000.00 request.

Ms. Castillo moved to approve the \$55 million Clean Water SRF loan to the OCWUT, and Ms. Landess seconded. Chairman Stallings called for the vote.

- AYE: Castillo, Darby, Justice, Gorman, Muller, Melton, Latham, Landess, Stallings
- NAY: None
- ABSTAIN: None
- ABSENT: None

### 3. SUMMARY DISPOSITION AGENDA ITEMS

Any item listed under this Summary Disposition Agenda may, at the requested of any member of the Board, the Board's staff, or any other person attending this meeting, may be transferred to the Special Consideration Agenda. Under the Special Consideration Agenda, separate discussion and vote or other action may be taken on any items already listed under that agenda or items transferred to that agenda from this Summary Disposition Agenda.

A. Requests to Transfer Items from Summary Disposition Agenda to the Special Consideration Agenda, and Action on Whether to Transfer Such Items. There were no requests to transfer items to the Special Consideration Agenda.

B. Discussion, Questions, and Responses Pertaining to Any Items Remaining on Summary Disposition Agenda and Action on Items Listed. Chairman Stallings stated if there were no changes to the Summary Disposition Agenda, he would entertain a motion for approval of the Summary Disposition Agenda items.

Mr. Darby moved to approve the Summary Disposition Agenda items, and Ms. Castillo seconded. Chairman Stallings called for the vote.

- AYE: Castillo, Darby, Justice, Gorman, Muller, Melton, Latham, Landess, Stallings
- NAY: None
- ABSTAIN: None
- ABSENT: None

The following items were approved:

- C. Consideration of and Possible Action on Financial Assistance Division Items:
  1. Rural Economic Action Plan (REAP) Grant Applications:

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Entity Name</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount Recommended</u>
None				

2. DWSRF Principal Forgiveness Loan Applications:

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Entity Name</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount Recommended</u>
a.	ORF-21-0021-DW	Rural Water District No. One	Cherokee	\$ 100,000.00
b.	ORF-20-0008-DW	Holdenville Public Works Authority	Hughes	100,000.00
c.	ORF-20-0011-DW	The Kingfisher Public Works Authority	Kingfisher	162,168.00

D. Consideration of and Possible Action on the Contracts and Agreements:

1. Interagency Agreement with the Grand River Dam Authority to provide work and services related to the GRDA Dissolved Oxygen Monitoring project for fiscal year 2021.
2. Interagency Agreement with the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry for collecting groundwater samples at monitoring wells of swine licensed managed feeding operations (LMFOs).
3. Sponsored Research Agreement with Oklahoma State University providing a no-cost, time extension for Chemical Characterization of Produced Water Using Nuclear Magnetic Resonance NMR Analysis to Identify Compound Classes.
4. Memorandum Agreement with USGS and Central Oklahoma Master Conservancy District for water monitoring and data collection.
5. Agreement with Arbitrage Compliance Specialist, Inc. for arbitrage services in connection with the issuance of state government entity obligations and indebtedness for OWRB loan programs.
6. Professional Services Contract between OWRB and the Oklahoma Rural Water Association for training and education for water system board members and operators, technical assistance, and long-term planning.
7. Addendum to Issuer User Agreement between OWRB and BondLink, Inc. for investor support services for OWRB bond issuances.
8. Subscription Services Agreement between Elation Systems, Inc. and the OWRB for services and support for Davis Bacon reporting in conjunction with the Financial Assistance Division's State Revolving Fund Programs.
9. Contract for Legal Services between the Oklahoma Office of Attorney General and OWRB to provide an attorney to act as Hearing Examiner.
10. Amendment Agreement between the United States Department of Agriculture-Agricultural Research Service for monitoring and evaluating water resources in the Upper Washita River Basin.
11. Amendment Agreement between Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality and OWRB extending the date of service and updating contract pricing related to lab analysis.

E. Consideration of and Possible Action on Applications for Temporary Permits to Use Groundwater:  
None



- Q. Consideration of and Possible Action on Applications for Accreditation of Floodplain Administrators:  
1. Scherrie Pidcock, Town of Luther, FPA-013

#### 4. **QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION ABOUT AGENCY MATTERS AND OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST**

A. Presentation and Discussion on Board Education Series, “Dam Safety and Floodplain Management Programs.” Mr. Yohanes Sugeng, OWRB Chief Engineer, addressed the members and introduced the Dam Safety and Floodplain Management staff. He began his presentation with a PowerPoint noting Oklahoma has 55,646 miles of shoreline on the state’s lakes and ponds and that 69% of dams are owned privately and by homeowners’ associations -- dam owners are responsible for maintenance and upgrades. Oklahoma has the second highest number of jurisdictional dams in the nation, with the average age of dams in the US is more than 53 years old, and many people are unaware they live below a dam.

Mr. Sugeng spoke about the programs and how the state should move forward with the current conditions. Some of the issues faced by program administrators are lack of public awareness—people are not aware they own a dam; limited flood insurance participation—400 communities participate but citizens don’t always buy insurance; downstream development below a dam—owners do not have control of development which changes the hazard classification; lack of flood maps and reservoir storage capacity information; aging and deficit infrastructure—dams are old on an average and need to be maintained; lack of funding for planning mitigation—old dams need to be repaired; heavily dependent on fluctuating federal funding—75% of funding is through federal grants and when funds are reduced sacrifices are made impacting the program; and, difficulty administering the NFIP program in rural areas—building permits are not required in county areas and the County Floodplain Administrator will not know when a dam is built in a flood hazard area. He reviewed Oklahoma’s Report Card in 2015 receiving a “D” for dams.

Mr. Sugeng provided an Oklahoma Dam Inventory map illustrating the jurisdictional dams by agency and hazard classification noting the OWRB has 2,511 high (111), significant (41), and low (2,359) hazard dams under its jurisdiction; the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) has 253 high, 163 significant, and 1,692 low hazard dams, within its jurisdiction; and other Federal jurisdictions have 45 high, 7 significant, and 67 low hazard dams -- making a total of 4,700 dams, 200 are federal. He explained the three levels of hazard classification defined by downstream development: high = probable loss of human life, significant = no loss of life but economic loss, and low = no loss of life and low economic loss. Not all dams are under the Board’s jurisdiction, only those 25 feet or 50 acre-feet of water, and he discussed how often a dam should be inspected by a certified engineer and according to its classification and paid for by the dam owner. He said the reasons dams fail: overtopping due to inadequate design, debris blockage, foundation defect, internal erosion, woody vegetation, and seepage. Mr. Sugeng discussed the dam Safety Program Priorities/Updates which include public awareness, emergency action planning, hazard-potential reclassification of dams, and rehabilitation of structurally deficient dams through conducting workshops funded by FEMA. He added Oklahoma is the only state in the country that has dam safety, floodplain and well driller information on the Real Estate Commission questionnaire. And, he talked about the High Hazard Potential Dam Rehabilitation Grant benefits, particularly hazard mitigation planning provided by Oklahoma Emergency Management.

Mr. Sugeng also discussed the agency’s administration of the National Flood Insurance Program describing the “four-legged stool” and staff’s focus regarding flood hazard identification (mapping); floodplain management (regulation by local community); flood insurance; and mitigation. He talked about the number of participating and non-participating communities, the Community Assistance Program and State Support Services Element (CAP-SSSE) and Cooperating Technical Partnership (CTP). He added regarding the Total Community Rating System, that Tulsa will soon be rated a Class I Community, and the first in the nation, allowing the citizens of Tulsa to purchase flood insurance at a 45% discount. He illustrated the status of the state’s CTP mapping, noting there are 17 counties unmapped, which mean they are not

participating communities and staff is working with FEMA to provide floodplain maps and communities can decide to join the NFIP program. He explained the Tier State Framework utilized by FEMA to rate the state's program performance to other states – Oklahoma does not perform well nation-wide but performs better regionally. Staff uses the evaluation tool to improve performance; Ms. Cunningham asked why the state does not perform well and Mr. Sugeng answered communications between agencies needs improvement.

Mr. Sugeng concluded his presentation with a discussion about the State Flood Resiliency Plan authorized by Senate Bill 1269 sponsored by Senate Radar, Representative Sims, and Representative Ikley-Freeman during the 2020 Legislative Session. The measure directs the OWRB (contingent on funding) to prepare and adopt a comprehensive state flood plan. Currently, the agency is seeking funding through FEMA, Oklahoma Emergency Management, and Department of Commerce which is hoped to be completed by 2025 with the update of the Comprehensive Water Plan and include data collection and analysis and identifying data gaps; and work with stakeholders as well as other scope of work tasks. In conclusion, Mr. Sugeng provided an update regarding the situation involving the Waxhoma Dam (Barndsall) that experienced a failure on May 19, 2021, due to water underneath the concrete.

Chairman Stallings asked if there is a Floodplain Manager in every county, and Mr. Sugeng said if the county participates in the program, there must be a program manager; the counties that do not participate are the counties that do not have maps. Ms. Cunningham complimented the staff on their hard work to carry out these programs and striving to be number one in the U.S., and they helped to provide information for the legislation regarding the state flood plan. Chairman Stallings stated this is a great program because it saves lives.

## **5. SPECIAL CONSIDERATION**

A. No Items. There were no items for the Board's consideration

B. Consideration of and Possible Action on Items Transferred from the Summary Disposition Agenda, if any. There were no items transferred from the Summary Disposition for the Board's consideration.

## **6. ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Chairman Stallings stated he and staff had the opportunity to talk about the officers of the future, and he offered the following slate of officers for the next year for the Board's consideration:

Chairman – Matt Muller

Vice Chairman – Charles Darby

Secretary – Jennifer Castillo

Chairman Stallings said he would entertain a motion to approve the slate of officers. Mr. Melton moved to approve the proposed slate of officers, and Ms. Landess seconded.

AYE: Castillo, Darby, Justice, Gorman, Muller, Melton, Latham, Landess, Stallings

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Mr. Matt Muller was elected Chairman; Mr. Charles Darby was elected Vice Chairman, and Ms. Jennifer Castillo was elected Secretary.

Chairman Stallings offered his congratulations to the incoming officers adding he has enjoyed his tenure as Chairman. He thanked the staff for their support and looked forward to Mr. Muller leading the Board in the right direction the next year.

**7. PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Chairman Stallings**

As authorized by the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act in Section 307(B)(1) of Title 25 of the Oklahoma Statutes, an executive session may be held for the purpose of discussing the employment, hiring, appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining or resignation of any individual salaried public officer or employee.

Pursuant to this provision, the Board proposes to hold an executive session for the purpose of discussing the employment (evaluation, possible increase in salary, and other terms and conditions of employment) of the Executive Director.

Chairman Stallings stated the purpose of the proposed Executive Session is to discuss the compensation of the Executive Director, and he would entertain a motion to enter Executive Session. He requested that during the first part of the session, the Executive Director be excused.

A. Vote on whether to hold Executive Session. Before it can be held, the Executive Session must be authorized by a majority vote of a quorum of members present and such vote must be recorded.

Ms. Castillo moved the Board enter Executive Session, and Mr. Darby seconded. Chairman Stallings called for the vote.

AYE: Castillo, Darby, Justice, Gorman, Muller, Melton, Latham, Landess, Stallings  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

B. Designation of person to keep written minutes of Executive Session, if authorized.

Executive Secretary Mary Schooley was designated to keep written minutes. Chairman Stallings also asked General Counsel Sara Gibson also to attend.

C. Executive Session, if authorized. The Board entered Executive Session at 10:32 a.m.

D. Return to open meeting. At 10:55 a.m., Mr. Melton moved the Board return to Regular Session, and Mr. Darby seconded. Chairman Stallings called for the vote

AYE: Castillo, Darby, Justice, Gorman, Muller, Melton, Latham, Landess, Stallings  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

**8. Consideration of and possible action on employment, including but not limited to evaluation of performance, increase in salary, or other change in terms and conditions of employment, of the Executive Director.**

Chairman Stallings asked for a motion on item 8. Mr. Muller so moved, and after guidance from Ms. Gibson, stated he would move to change the Executive Director salary to \$130,000.00. Chairman Stallings repeated the motion to change the Executive Director's salary to \$130,000.00, beginning July 1, 2021. Mr. Melton seconded the motion. There was no discussion, and Chairman Stallings called for the vote.

AYE: Castillo, Darby, Justice, Gorman, Muller, Melton, Latham, Landess, Stallings  
NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

Under the Open Meeting Act, this agenda item is authorized only for matters not known about or which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the time of posting the agenda or any revised agenda.  
There were no New Business items for the Board's consideration.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chairman Stallings adjourned the Regular Meeting of the Oklahoma Water Resources Board at 10:57 a.m., on June 15, 2021.

**OKLAHOMA WATER RESOURCES BOARD**

\_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
Matt Muller, Chairman

\_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
Charles Darby, Vice Chairman

\_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
Robert L. Melton, Sr.

\_\_\_\_\_Absent\_\_\_\_\_  
Suzanne V. Landess

\_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
Robert L. Stallings, Jr.

\_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
Thomas A. Gorman

\_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
Ron Justice

\_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
B. Latham

***ATTEST:***

\_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
Jennifer Castillo, Secretary  
(SEAL)