

# Meeting Minutes

## REGION 8 - LOWER BRAZOS REGIONAL FLOOD PLANNING GROUP

### Virtual Meeting

10:00 a.m. – Thursday, February 25, 2021

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Phone: 469-206-8623 Conference ID: 229 936 754#

**1. Call Meeting to Order.**

Vice Chair Alysha Girard presided over the meeting in Chair Brandon Wade's scheduled absence for this meeting. Alysha called the meeting to order at 10:00am with a quorum present.

**2. Attendance and Announcements**

**Roll Call:**

**Voting Members**

Susan Alford	P	Glenn Lord	P
Anthony Beach	P	Matt Phillips	P
Sujeeth Draksharam	P	Gary Spicer	P
Andrew Earles	A	Mark Vogler	P
Alysha Girard	P	Brandon Wade	Alt. – Jake Hollingsworth
David Lilly	A	Claudia Wright	A

P- Present, A- Absent,

Quorum Present: Yes, 10 of 12 voting members present at roll call. Quorum is 7 of 12 voting members.

**3. Approval of Minutes from the December 12, 2020 and the January 28, 2021 meeting**

The December 12, 2020 meeting were accepted as presented. The January 28, 2021 meeting minutes were amended to show Gary Spicer as being in attendance. He arrived after roll call attendance was taken. Susan Alford made the motion to accept the minutes with the edit as noted above and Mark Vogler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**4. Public Input - Public questions and comments on agenda items or flood planning issues (limited to 3 minutes each)**

Alysha opened the floor for public comments. No public comments were received prior to the meeting and no one present provided any comments during the meeting.

**5. Report and possible discussion on report from Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) staff**

Ryke Moore, TWDB Regional Planner, provided a brief update including reminders of

important dates in regional flood planning.

**6. Report and possible discussion on report by Regional Planning Sponsor**

Aaron Abel, BRA Water Services Manager, provided updates on the flood planning sponsor activities. The RFQ has been posted with a couple of Addendums, response due date has been extended due to the extreme weather event that caused power outages and connectivity issues throughout the state of Texas. RFQ responses are due March 3, 2021 at 10:00am, with the reading of responses received on March 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am.

**7. Discussion and possible action regarding additional non-voting representatives from other agencies with interests related to regional flood planning.**

Discussion on additional non-voting member agencies. The following agencies were discussed and presented for vote. Passed by 2/3<sup>rd</sup> vote to extend an invitation to the following agencies: US Army Corp of Engineers, FEMA, Fort Bend Subsidence District and Brazoria County.

**8. Discussion and possible action regarding non-voting member Liaison representatives to the Brazos G and Region H Regional Water Planning Groups. Representatives were chosen to present the Region 8 Lower Brazos Regional Flood Planning Group to both Brazos G and Region H Water Planning Groups.** The group voted by majority vote for Brandon Wade to be Region 8's Liaison to the Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group and Glenn Lord to be Region 8's Liaison to the Region H Regional Water Planning Group.

**9. Discussion and possible recommended action for future consideration concerning pre-planning public input as required by Texas Water Code §16.062(d) and 31 Texas Administrative Code §361.12(a)(4)**

The group decided to carry this over this discussion to the March meeting. Members also noted that they would like additional information and that the pre-planning meetings would be best scheduled once a Technical Consultant was on board.

**10. Report from the RFQ Sub-Committee Chair**

Alysha Girard shared that the RFQ Committee meeting is scheduled for March 11, 2021 at 2:00pm.

**11. Report from Lower Brazos RFPG Chair**

Alysha Girard provided the Chair Report as the presiding officer for this meeting.

**12. Discussion on new business to be considered at next meeting**

Discussion on the required pre-planning public meetings.

**13. Confirmation of next meeting date – March 25, 2021**

**14. Adjourn**

Meeting was adjourned at 10:49am by Alysha Girard.

*Approved by the Region 8 Lower Brazos RFPG at the March 25, 2021 meeting.*



[Matt Phillips \(Apr 6, 2021 12:03 CDT\)](#)

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Matt Phillips, Secretary



[BrandonWade \(Mar 26, 2021 09:37 CDT\)](#)

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Brandon Wade, Chairman

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