

## **MEETING NOTICE**

TO: North East Texas Regional Mobility Authority Members

FROM: Linda Thomas, Chair

DATE: January 20, 2015

SUBJECT: January Board Meeting

The next meeting of the NET RMA is scheduled as follows:

DATE: Tuesday, January 20, 2015

**TIME:** 1:30pm

**PLACE: Mineola City Hall** 

300 Greenville

Highway

Mineola TX 75773

Enclosed please find the agenda and other pertinent information for your review prior to the meeting. Should you have any questions, please call K'Lin Noble at 903.594.4834.

## NORTH EAST TEXAS REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY (NET RMA) BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

1:30 pm Tuesday, January 20, 2015 Mineola City Hall 300 Greenville Highway Mineola, Texas 75773 Wood County

## 1. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM

Notice of this meeting was posted with the Secretary of State's Office, with the County Clerk in Wood County, on the NET RMA and Toll 49 websites on January 16, 2015.

Present: Linda Thomas, Dave Spurrier, Jack Traylor, Walta Cooke, Celia Boswell, Hudson Old, Robert Messer, Mike Thomas, Barham Fulmer, James Harris, Larry Morse, John Cloutier

- 2. INVOCATION offered by Celia Boswell
- 3. WELCOME & INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

**Board Members** 

- 4. OPEN PUBLIC FORUM/COMMENT PERIOD
- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
  - A. Discussion, consideration and approval of minutes for:
    - 1. November 12, 2014 NET RMA Regular Board Meeting

Action Item

Motion to accept minutes made by Jack Traylor, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Barham Fulmer Resolution passed.

- 6. CHAIR'S REPORT
  - A. Comments from the Chair
  - B. REPORT FROM THE NET RMA NOMINATION COMMITTEE AND DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ELECTION OF OFFICERS (VICE CHAIR, SECRETARY, AND TREASURER) (RESOLUTION 15-01)

    Action Item

Motion to accept resolution: Walta Cooke, 2nd: Hudson Old

Vice Chair: Gary Halbrooks Secretary: Dr. James Harris Treasurer: Robert Messer

Resolution passed

7. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE 2014 NET RMA ANNUAL REPORT (RESOLUTION 15-02)

Action Item

Motion made by Mike Thomas, 2<sup>nd</sup> Larry Morse. Resolution passed.

8. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ACCEPT THE NET RMA 2014 AUDIT REPORT

(RESOLUTION 15-03) Action Item

Walter Wilhelmi presented the 2014 Audit Report, noting Tom Fitzgerald and Barham Fulmer's assistance in a successful audit.

Motion to accept made by Robert Messer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Dr. James Harris.

9. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL WORK AUTHORIZATION 10.1 WITH ATKINS FOR CONTINUED PROJECT DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT FOR SEGMENT 4 OF TOLL 49

(RESOLUTION 15-04) Action Item

There was some discussion on how to pay for the full amount, and it was decided that all 3 WA's (Resolutions 15-04, 15-05, and 15-06) would be approved at 50% of what was proposed at this time so as not to exceed cash on hand should the loan be delayed.

Motion made to approve at 50%: Dave Spurrier 2nd: Jack Traylor

DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF WORK AUTHORIZATION
 WITH RS&H FOR PROJECT DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT FOR SEGMENT 4 OF TOLL 49
 (RESOLUTION 15-05)
 Action Item

Motion to approve: Dave Spurrier, 2nd: Walta Cooke

11. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF WORK AUTHORIZATION 8 WITH RS&H FOR PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES FOR THE BASE SCOPE CONFIGURATION OF SEGMENT 4 OF TOLL 49

(RESOLUTION 15-06) Action Item

Motion to approve: Robert Messer, 2nd: Walta Cooke

12. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 7 TO CONTRACT WITH SOUTHWEST ENVIRONMENT FOR ADDITIONAL AND MATERIALS AND SERVICES FOR LAKE SEDIMENT REMOVAL AND CHANNEL IMPROVEMENTS AT HILLTOP RANCH LAKE (RESOLUTION 15-07)

Action Item

This is the final work on the cleanup for slope stabilization. Motion to approve: Jack Traylor, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Barham Fulmer

13. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH SMITH COUNTY, THE CITY OF TYLER, THE TROUP COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, AND THE TYLER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL REGARDING LOCAL MATCHING FUNDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF ABANDONED RIGHT-OF-WAY (RESOLUTION 15-08)

Action Item

Motion to approve: John Cloutier, 2nd: Jack Traylor

14. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT WITH UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD FOR THE PURCHASE OF ABANDONED RIGHT-OF-WAY (RESOLUTION 15-09)

Action Item

City of Whitehouse backed out, City of Tyler agreed to pick up the extra. Still some work to be done to close this out. Motion to approve: John Cloutier, 2nd: Larry Morse

## 15. TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion to accept: John Cloutier, 2nd: Barham Fulmer

## 16. EAST TEXAS HOURGLASS MAP PRESENTATION

**Dave Spurrier** 

Dave Spurrier presented a tentative preliminary map of the ETHG proposed route. He stated that it is not "our" route, we still have to have environmental clearances before the final route can be determined. It's not in our control right now.

During Dave Spurrier's presentation, Howard Beggs stood up to state that he missed the public forum time because he arrived late, but said: "You people are upsetting people's lives, putting them in limbo for decades until you get ready to make up your minds. I have lost millions of dollars because I can't move forward to develop my land into a subdivision. You don't take into account that you are putting people's lives completely on hold. I just needed to have my say". Chair Thomas allowed Mr. Beggs to make his statements.

Dave circled back around stating that we are sensitive to land owners, as is evidenced by the meticulous care given to finalizing routes and getting all of the studies done and making sure every box is checked before we move forward. He also emphasized that long range planning demands that initial plans be made – even if they change over time – so that the necessary steps to achieve progress can be accomplished.

## 17. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

a. Update on Toll 49

Transactions were up for December over last year. January is a little down over last year.

- b. Presentation of draft NET RMA tri-fold brochure
- c. Additional Issues

Visit with City of Terrell/Kaufman County went well and we are set to assist as we can with I20 Project.

## 18. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 3:52pm

## **BOARD BOOK APPENDIX**

## **COMPLIANCE AND OVERSIGHT**

- A. OPEN RECORDS SPREADSHEET
- B. SURETY BOND SPREADSHEET
- C. CONFLICT OF INTEREST SPREADSHEET
- D. TERM EXPIRATION SPREADSHEET
- E. TEC FILING SPREADSHEET

# EXECUTIVE SESSION - PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 551, SUBCHAPTER D, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, IF ANY

- At any time during the meeting of the NET RMA Board of Directors, the Board may meet in executive session for consultation concerning attorney-client matters (real estate, litigation, contracts, personnel, and security) under Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code:
  - A. Section 551.071. Consultation with Attorney—Consultation with, and advice from legal counsel concerning pending/contemplated litigation, settlement offers and negotiations, ongoing disputes and potential disputes, and other legal issues.

- B. Section 551.072. Deliberation Regarding Real Property—Discussion of real property purchase, exchange, lease, license, gift, donation, and/or negotiated settlement, including property to be acquired for right-of-way.
- C. Section 551.074. Personnel Matters—Deliberation concerning the appointment, employment, reassignment, evaluation, duties, discipline, and/or dismissal of personnel.

## FY 2015 Scheduled Board Meetings / Functions

FY 2015 Tentatively Scheduled Board Meetings: Tuesday, March 17, 2015, 1:30PM, Kaufman, TX

## Non-Scheduled Meetings / Functions - Where a Quorum could be Present, but No RMA Business would be conducted

Team Texas, (dates pending), Austin, Texas.

**Texas Transportation Commission Meeting** 

January 29, 2015 in Austin, Texas

#### **COURTESY RULES**

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You must be recognized by the Chair. (NOTE: Items will not necessarily be presented in the order they are posted.)

### **OPEN COMMENT PERIOD**

At the conclusion of all other agenda items, the Board will allow an open comment period, not to exceed one hour, to receive public comment on any other matter that is under the jurisdiction of the Board. Public comment that does not relate to a specific agenda item must be made during the open comment period.

Each speaker will be allowed a <u>maximum of three (3) minutes</u>. Speakers must be signed up prior to the beginning of the open comment period. For subjects that are not otherwise part of the agenda for the meeting, Board members may neither comment nor question speakers during the open comment period, but may request the Chair, or a recognized committee, to investigate the subject further. No action will be taken on matters that are not part of the agenda for the meeting.

## **NOTE**

Enumerated agenda items are assigned for ease of reference only, and will not necessarily be considered by the Board in that particular order. The Chair may rearrange the order in which agenda items are considered.

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