

TCOG Governing Board Meeting Minutes

Presiding Location: 1117 Gallagher Drive, Sherman, Texas January 19, 2023

Members Present: Edwina Lane, James Thorne, Dr. John Spies, Jim Atchison, Newt Cunningham, Ken Keeler, Jeff Whitmire, John Burnett

Members Absent: Scott Neu, Adam Arendt, Bryan Wilson, Juston Dobbs, Clifford Sicking, Mike Springer

- A. Edwina Lane called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.
- **B.** James Thorne provided the invocation and Ken Keeler led the pledges.
- C. Guests included: Eric Bridges, Lori Cannon, Judy Fullylove, Beth Eggar, Miranda Harp, Sabino Botello
- **D.** There was no public comment.

E. Executive Director's Report

1. Eric Bridges provided an update on key activities, including the progress on TCOG's HVAC project, Ad Hoc Building Committee and legislative activity.

F. Approval of Minutes

- 1. Dr. Spies made a motion to accept the meeting minutes for December 15, 2022. John Burnett seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- **G.** The Honorable Newt Cunningham, Fannin County Judge was inducted onto the Governing Board replacing former Fannin County Judge, Randy Moore. .

H. Consent

 Jeff Whitmire made a motion to approve the consent items to ratify the contract extension, Amendment #2 for the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Grant #61220003659 and Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program (CEAP) Contract # 58220003597. Ken Keeler seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

I. Action

- Jeff Whitmire made a motion to accept the FYE 2023 Cost Pool Report and Monthly Financial Statements. Ken Keeler seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- 2. A motion was made by Dr. Spies and seconded by James Thorne to approve the PY 2023 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) contract #61230003812. The motion carried unanimously.
- 3. A motion was made by John Burnett and seconded by James Thorne to approve the PY 2023 Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program (CEAP) contract #58230003847. The motion carried unanimously.
- 4. A motion was made by Jeff Whitmire and seconded by Ken Keeler to approve the contract with AT&T for the purchase and installation of Front Room Equipment in the Texoma Region Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPS). The motion carried unanimously.
- 5. A motion was made by Jeff Whitmire and seconded by Dr. Spies to appoint Edwina Lane as TCOG's designee to the Texas Association of Regional Councils Board of Directors with Eric Bridges, Executive Director to serve as Alternate. The motion carried unanimously.



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6. A motion was made by Jeff Whitmire and seconded by John Burnett to appoint Newt Cunningham to TCOG's Human Resources Advisory Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

J. Presidents Report

1. Edwina Lane thanked the board members and staff for their attendance and recognized Grayson County Commissioner Jeff Whitmire for his many years of service on the Governing Board. The meeting was adjourned at 6:51. p.m.