



Meeting Minutes
Paso del Norte Watershed Council
Annual Meeting and Executive Committee Meeting

December 6, 2017 |11:30-1:30PM

Great American Land and Cattle Restaurant

600 Valley Chile Rd| Anthony TX 79821

Conrad Keyes, Chair Sue Watts, Secretary Zhuping Sheng, Treasurer

Present:

Kevin Bixby-SWEC; by phone

Christopher Brown-NMSU

Gary Esslinger-EBID

Mike Gaglio-High Desert Native Plants

Woody Irving-USBR

Conrad Keyes-NMSU & USIBWC (retired)

Zhuping Sheng-TAMU Agrilife Research

Gill Sorg-City of LC

Elizabeth Verdecchia-USIBWC

Sue Watts-ecologist

Greg Torell-TAMU Agrilife Research

John Gwynne-Dona Ana County Flood
Commission

Hugo Rojas-NMSU

Shalamu Abudu – TAMU Agrilife Research

Franciso Glenn-High Desert Native Plants

Connie Maxwell-NMWRRRI

1. The annual meeting of the Paso del Norte Watershed Council was called to order by Conrad Keyes at 11:45AM. Quorum was met. Introductions occurred and the agenda was amended to add item 2c: report from Chris Brown and 3b: approval of the Oct 12 minutes.

2. Reports

a. NMED 2018 programs and activities-Chris Canavan- no report. Chris unable to attend.

b. Funding opportunities from USBR-Wooding Irving, Conrad Keyes. There are two programs available. One is for establishing watershed groups and the other to establish programs. Connie Maxwell reported that the Stormwater Coalition is planning to apply for a grant and would like members of the WC to review the proposal and if possible for the WC to issue a letter of support.

c. Status of Watershed Council website contract. Chris Brown reported on the rebuilding of the WC website and the tasks that have been accomplished to date. A few details must be wrapped up before the final report is submitted to USBR and TAMU by Dec 22.

3. Decisions

a. Election of new Executive Committee members (2018-2020 terms) and officers-Current EC members whose terms expire in 2017 (Durr, Keyes, Watts) agreed to serve again and were approved by voice vote. Greg Torrell from TAMU Agrilife Research was nominated to fill one of the vacant seats and was approved by voice vote. Officers for the next year were nominated and approved by voice vote: Keyes to serve as chair, Watts as secretary, and Sheng as Treasurer.

b. Approval of meeting minutes. The minutes of the October 12th meeting were approved with no recommended edits.

4. Next EC meeting. The next meeting will be a conference call in January to review the proposals that will be submitted for USBR funding.

5. Meeting adjourned at 1:25PM.