

1 due to many areas of the State that are currently experiencing problems with the aquifers
2 going dry.

3 Item #2-Water Reservation/Sale to Aqueduct Partners, LLP: Mr. Pratt stated it
4 had been several years now that the Board had approved discussions with a “potential”
5 water customer from Texas. He stated that during the discussion, the Board decided to
6 receive a \$50,000 “reservation fee” for water from Aqueduct Partners, LLP from Dallas,
7 Texas in the event that SRA could produce a water sales contract for out-of-state water
8 sales to them with the approval of the governor. He stated that the water from the
9 reservoir was a “renewable” commodity and by selling water, SRA would not have to
10 depend largely on power generation which puts a strain on the lake level during our
11 “peak” recreational season particularly the summer months. He stated that since the
12 concerns of the Conservation Association which asked various governmental bodies to
13 pass resolutions to be sent to the Legislature to prevent water sales from the Sabine
14 River/Toledo Bend Reservoir in particular, he felt he needed to explain/educate the
15 public about the water resources of the Sabine River. He made a power point
16 presentation showing various data which has been compiled many years. (See attached.)
17 Once the presentation was complete, Mr. Pratt stated that he and staff needed to know
18 whether or not to continue working through a contract for water sales out of the State.
19 Members present stated that each felt was necessary to move forward as planned.

20 New Business: Item #1 A & B-Short-term water sales Contract: Mr. Pratt stated
21 that a need had arose for a short-term water sales contract allowing the purchase of water
22 by a company who in turn could sell the water to another entity of the need was known.
23 He stated that there was a need to have two such contracts – one for water sold from the
24 reservoir/river and the other for water sold from the diversion canal. He stated as an
25 example, Company A would purchase water from SRA and then be responsible to sell
26 and “pump” the water to Company B who needs the water only for a short time such as
27 thirty days. He stated that Company A’s contract with SRA would have a thirty day
28 renewable clause, therefore, every thirty days the contract would be renewed with SRA.
29 He stated that SRA would collect fees for the contract. **Mr. Goodeaux moved,**
30 **seconded by Mr. Arbuckle to recommend to the full board approval of a short-term**
31 **water sales contract from the reservoir/river based on the current rate, renewable**

1 every thirty days with a “resale” clause and authorize the Executive Director to
2 execute the necessary documents. Motion carried. Mr. Arbuckle moved, seconded
3 by Mr. Conyer to recommend to the full board approval of a short-term water sales
4 contract from the diversion canal based on the current rate, renewable every thirty
5 days with “resale” clause and authorize the Executive Director to execute the
6 necessary documents. Motion carried.

7 With no further business to discuss, Mr. Goodeaux moved, seconded by Mr.
8 Burgess to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 2:58pm.

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STANLEY VIDRINE, CHAIRMAN