

**MINUTES**  
**HARRIS-GALVESTON SUBSIDENCE DISTRICT**  
**RULES COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**JULY 13, 2016**  
**10:30 A.M.**

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:** Susan Baird, Edgar Barlow, Pete Côté, and Dennis Sander.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ABSENT:** Joe Goins and Ken Hufstetler.

**OTHER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chris Canonico.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Mike Turco, Greg Ellis, Robert Thompson, Kevin Ebrom, and Daniel Newcomb.

**PRESIDING:** Dennis Sander, Rules Committee Chair.

Mr. Sander called the meeting to order at 10:56 a.m. in the Boardroom of the District office.

Mr. Turco introduced the topics of the meeting.

**DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD REGARDING  
PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE DISTRICT RULES**

1. District Counsel, Greg Ellis, and Committee discussed the proposed changes to the District Rules.
  - 1.1 The committee received comments from Ms. Alia Vinson of Allen, Boone, Humphries and Robinson, LLP, representing the West Harris County Regional Water Authority. Engineer Melinda Silva also served as a resource witness for Ms. Vinson's testimony.
  - 1.2 The committee received comments from Mr. Jon Polley of Radcliffe, Bobbitt, Adams and Polley, representing the North Harris County Regional Water Authority.
  - 1.3 After Board discussion, Ms. Baird made a motion to recommend the Board call a Public Hearing to take testimony on the proposed rule amendments; Mr. Cote seconded the motion. Mr. Sander put the question and after the vote, announced the motion carried and the recommendation would be made to the full Board.

**DISCUSSION OF DISINCENTIVE FEE RATE CHANGE**

2. Mr. Turco presented information and history of the disincentive fee rate since its inception and then Mr. Sander opened up the meeting for public comment.

2.1 The committee received comments from Ms. Alia Vinson of Allen, Boone, Humphries and Robinson, LLP (ABHR), representing the West Harris County Regional Water Authority. Ms. Vinson commented on the rate of the disincentive fee being high enough to be a disincentive.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 11:38 A.M.**

BY:   
Committee Chair

**ATTEST:**

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Secretary