MINUTES
HARRIS-GALVESTON SUBSIDENCE DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
JUNE 12, 2019
10:00 A.M.


MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ABSENT: Sarah Benavides and Pam Puckett

PRESIDING: Alan Petrov, Chairman

PUBLIC COMMENTS
1. Chairman Petrov called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. in the Boardroom of the District office and announced the presence of a quorum.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
2. None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF MAY 8, 2019

3. Ms. Rogers moved that the minutes of the regular meeting of May, 2019, be approved; it was seconded by Mr. Gonzalez. Chairman Petrov put the question and, after the vote, announced the motion carried.

HEARING EXAMINERS REPORT

4. Ms. Helen Stewart Truscott presented the Hearing Examiner’s Report for May 2019, including the testimony and findings for SMI, Bentwood Estates, Pauline Durham, and Margarita Rivera.

4.1. Mr. Latimer moved to accept the Hearing Examiner’s recommendations; it was seconded by Mr. Long. Chairman Petrov called for abstentions. There were none. Chairman Petrov put the question, and after the vote, announced the motion carried.

EMERGENCY PERMITS

5. The Board considered the General Manager’s action in granting emergency permits to Duxaoil Texas, L.L.C., Jose Israel Gonzalez, Kinder Morgan, Lake Forest of Kelliwood, and SMI.

CONSIDER A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE DISTRICT ANNUAL GROUNDWATER REPORT FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2018 TO DECEMBER 31, 2018.

6. Mr. Turco stated that the District enabling act requires an annual groundwater report and that the effort to develop it starts with a compilation of well reports provided by our permittees. Mr. Robert

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Thompson, HGSD Assistant General Manager, is responsible for producing this report, with the support of staff, including Brian Ladd, Vanson Truong, and Michael Chrismer.

6.1. Mr. Turco presented the 2018 Annual Groundwater Report for the period January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018, as presented at the public hearing, which was on May 28, 2019, with one revision made for clarity. The Report shows precipitation data, groundwater usage data, aquifer water-level data, and subsidence data, as well as, the USGS data detailing water-level altitude maps. The USGS Report is produced as part of a cooperative agreement amongst the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District, the Fort Bend Subsidence District, the Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District, the Brazoria County Groundwater Conservation District, and the City of Houston.

6.2. Mr. Canonico moved to approve Resolution No. 2019-1032, adopting the 2018 Annual Groundwater Report; it was seconded by Mr. Latimer. Chairman Petrov put the question and, after the vote, announced the motion carried.

(This resolution is in full in the official records of the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District being Resolution No. 2019-1032.)

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

7. Mr. Turco submitted the General Manager’s Report.

(The General Manager’s Report is in full in the official records of the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District as part of the Board’s Agenda Packet for this meeting.)

LEGAL MATTERS

8. Mr. Ellis updated the Board on recent legislation and litigation on groundwater issues.

EXECUTIVE SESSION REGARDING PERSONNEL MATTERS

9. The Board of Directors went into executive session at 10:55 a.m., as authorized by the Open Meetings Act, Section 551.074, Government Code, to discuss personnel matters.

9.1. Following the Executive Session, the Board resumed the open meeting at 11:17 a.m. Chairman Petrov asked if there was a motion from the closed session. There were none.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 11:17 A.M.

BY: Chairman

ATTEST: Secretary

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