MINUTES
HARRIS-GALVESTON SUBSIDENCE DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MAY 13, 2020, 10:00 A.M.
Audio/Video Conference
Information can be found at:
Video recording of the Meeting may be found at:


MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ABSENT: None

PRESIDING: Alan Petrov, Chairman

Chairman Petrov called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. Due to restrictions of COVID-19, the meeting was held remotely via WebEx. The role was called and Chairman Petrov announced the presence of a quorum.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF APRIL 8, 2020

2. Ms. Rogers moved that the minutes of the regular meeting of April 8, 2020, be approved; it was seconded by Ms. Puckett. Chairman Petrov called for objections, and hearing none, Chairman Petrov announced the motion carried unanimously.

HEARING EXAMINERS REPORT

3. Mr. Robert Thompson and Ms. Helen Stewart Truscott presented the Hearing Examiner’s Report for April 2020, including the testimony and findings for Julio Benitez, Lupe’s Landscape & Maintenance, Stockton Venture Corp., and Windfern Investment.

3.1. Ms. Smyth moved to accept the Hearing Examiner’s recommendations; it was seconded by Mr. Latimer. Chairman Petrov called for abstentions. No abstentions were heard. Chairman Petrov called for objections to the hearing examiners report, and hearing none, announced the motion carried unanimously.

EMERGENCY PERMITS

4. The Board considered the General Manager’s action in granting emergency permits to Burner Combustion Systems, L.L.C., Castillo Place, Clough USA, Custom Chemical Services, L.L.C., Halliejo, Ltd., Phillip Muse, Mara Palacios, and Robert Weiser.

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BRIEFING FROM STAFF ON THE STATUS OF THE JOINT REGULATORY PLAN REVIEW

5. Mr. Turco briefed the Board on the status of the Joint Regulatory Plan Review and announced that the Stakeholders meeting that was postponed, due to COVID-19 restrictions, has been rescheduled to May 20, 2020, at 10:00 a.m., and will be held via audio and video conference only.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A WATER CONSERVATION GRANT AGREEMENT WITH SELECTED APPLICANTS FROM THE 2019 REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE WATER CONSERVATION GRANT PROGRAM AND TO AUTHORIZE THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS TO AWARD FUNDING GRANTS

6. Dr. Tina Petersen stated that due to the response to COVID-19, the negotiations on the grant agreements was delayed. The agreements, with Klein ISD and Texas State University/Meadows Center for Water and the Environment, have now been negotiated, and are ready for signing.

   6.1. Mr. Latimer moved to approve the resolution; it was seconded by Mr. Long. Chairman Petrov called for abstentions. No abstentions were heard. Chairman Petrov called for objections, and hearing none, announced the motion carried unanimously.

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

9. None necessary.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 10:56 A.M.

BY: [Signature]

Chairman

ATTEST:

E-SIGNED by Alberto (Al) Gonzalez
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Secretary

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