

MINUTES
HARRIS-GALVESTON SUBSIDENCE DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FEBRUARY 10, 2021, 10:00 A.M.
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MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT: Susan Baird, Sarah Benavides, Chris Canonico, Pete Côte, Joe Goins, Alberto Gonzalez, Don Johnson, Ken Keller, Shannon Lucas, Katherine Mears, Alan Petrov, Kathy Rogers, Kyle Sears, and Shaun Theriot-Smith

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ABSENT: Bill Latimer and Lindy Murff

PRESIDING: Alan Petrov, Chairman

1. CALL TO ORDER. Chairman Petrov called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. and the roll was called. Due to restrictions of COVID-19, the meeting was held in person and with a remote option via GoToWebinar. Chairman Petrov announced the presence of a quorum.
2. PUBLIC COMMENTS. There was no public comment.
3. ADMINISTER THE OATH OF OFFICE TO BOARD MEMBERS. Ms. Truscott administered the Oath of Office to Ms. Benavides, Mr. Johnson, and Ms. Lucas.
4. ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS. Ms. Canonico moved to re-elect the current slate officers: Mr. Petrov (Chairman), Ms. Baird (Vice-Chairman), and Mr. Gonzalez (Secretary); it was seconded by Ms. Rogers. Chairman Petrov asked for any additional discussion, and hearing none, Mr. Petrov called for objections to the motion. No objections were made and Mr. Petrov announced the motion carried unanimously.
5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF JANUARY 13, 2021. Ms. Mears moved that the minutes of the regular meeting of January 13, 2021, be approved; it was seconded by Ms. Rogers. Chairman Petrov called for objections to the motion, and hearing none, announced the motion carried unanimously.
6. HEARING EXAMINERS REPORT. Ms. Helen Stewart Truscott presented the Hearing Examiner's Report for January 2021. Ms. Baird moved to accept the Hearing Examiner's recommendations as amended; it was seconded by Mr. Cote. Chairman Petrov called for objections to accepting the hearing examiners report, and hearing none, announced the motion carried unanimously.
7. EMERGENCY PERMITS. The Board considered the General Manager's action in granting emergency permits to: Chavarria, Idalia; Cypress 856, Ltd.; Garcia, Jaime; Hilcorp Energy Corporation; Six Flags Splash Town; Sunoco Pipeline, LP; Zachary-Odebrecht Pkwy. Bldrs. There were no motions to review the action of the General Manager.

8. CONSIDER A RESOLUTION CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PURPOSES OF HEARING TESTIMONY REGARDING THE DETERMINATION OF THE EFFECTS OF GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWAL ON LAND SUBSIDENCE DURING THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020. Mr. Petrov stated that holding this hearing is an annual requirement by statute. Mr. Turco provided an overview of the annual report scope and that the hearing is planned for 9:00 AM on April 29, 2021, and that the hearing will likely be virtual only. Ms. Rogers moved to approve Resolution No. 2021-1071, it was seconded by Ms. Baird. Chairman Petrov called for objections to the motion, hearing none, announced the motion carried unanimously. (This resolution is in full in the official records of the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District being resolution No. 2021-1071).
9. CONSIDER A RESOLUTION CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PURPOSE OF HEARING TESTIMONY REGARDING PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE DISTRICT REGULATORY PLAN. Mr. Turco provided a briefing regarding the impetus for the proposed amendments to the District Regulatory Plan stating that the amendments will allow for Groundwater Reduction Plans to be approved in Regulatory Area 2. Mr. Ellis provided additional description and legal implications of the proposed amendments. Mr. Canonico moved to approve Resolution 2021-1072; it was seconded by Mr. Gonzalez. Chairman Petrov called for objections to the motion, and hearing none, announced the motion carried unanimously. (This resolution is in full in the official records of the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District being Resolution No. 2021-1072.).
10. BRIEFING FROM STAFF ON THE STATUS OF THE JOINT REGULATORY PLAN REVIEW. Dr. Petersen briefed the Board on the status of the Joint Regulatory Plan Review. Project is currently closing projects from 2020 and the focusing on projects in 2021. Dr. Petersen stated that we will be wrapping up the alternative water supply and GULF 2023 model efforts this year. Dr. Petersen stated that there will be two stakeholder meetings this year and more details will be provided in future updates. The project is moving along as expected and is on budget.
11. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT. 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.)
12. LEGAL MATTERS. Mr. Ellis updated the Board on recent legislation and litigation on groundwater issues.
13. EXECUTIVE SESSION. The Board did not meet in executive session on any item.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, THE MEETING WAS
ADJOURNED AT 10:59 A.M.

BY: _____
Chairman

ATTEST:

Secretary