MINUTES HARRIS-GALVESTON SUBSIDENCE DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FEBRUARY 8, 2023, 10:00 A.M.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT: Emily Anderson, Sarah Benavides, Rosa Alvarez, Susan Baird, Augustus Campbell, Pete Côté, Steve Gillett, Don Johnson, Ken Keller, Jason Long, Craig Lovell, Shannon Lucas, Katherine Mears, Alan Petrov, Melinda Salazar, Kyle Sears,

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ABSENT: Chris Canonico, Lindy Murff, Shaun Theriot-Smith

PRESIDING: Alan Petrov, Chairman

- CALL TO ORDER OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. Chairman Petrov called the regular meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 10:03 a.m. and noted the presence of a quorum. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- 2. ACCEPT COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, None.
- 3. ADMINISTER THE OATH OF OFFICE TO BOARD MEMBERS. Ms. Truscott administered the Oath of Office to Ms. Rosa Alvarez, Ms. Susan Baird, Ms. Sarah Benavides, Ms. Katherine Mears, Mr. Don Johnson, and Mr. Steve Gillett.
- 4. ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS. Ms. Baird moved to nominate Alan Petrov to be Chairman of the Board. It was seconded by Ms. Anderson. Chairman Petrov called for any other nominations for Chair. Hearing none, a motion was made by Mr. Côté to close the nominations and elect the only candidate, elected by acclamation. It was seconded by Mr. Campbell. Chairman Petrov called for nominations for Vice-Chair and Secretary. Ms. Mears made a motion to elect the currently sitting Vice-Chair and Secretary; Ms. Susan Baird and Mr. Pete Côté, respectively. Chairman Petrov called for any other nominations and, hearing none, closed the nominations. Mr. Campbell made a motion to approve those nominated. The motion was seconded by Mr. Côté. Chairman Petrov put the question, and after the vote, announced the motion carried.
- 5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF JANUARY 11, 2023. Ms. Mears moved that the minutes of the regular meeting of January 11, 2023, be approved; it was seconded by Mr. Côté. Chairman Petrov put the question and, after the vote, announced the motion carried. None opposed.
- 6. HEARING EXAMINERS REPORT. Ms. Helen Stewart Truscott presented the Hearing Examiner's Report for January 2023, including revisions for Kingwood Christian Church and Mariana Olvera. Ms. Baird moved to accept the Hearing Examiner's recommendations as amended; it was seconded by Mr. Johnson. Chairman Petrov called for abstentions. Ms. Lucas abstained from North Channel Water Authority. Mr. Petrov put the question and, after the vote, announced the motion carried. None opposed.

- 7. EMERGENCY PERMITS. The Board considered the General Manager's action in granting emergency permits to 15420 Telge Rd., Ltd., Aqua TX, Inc., Keechi Creek Builders, and Jose Luis Vargas.
- 8. CONSIDER A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PURPOSE OF HEARING TESTIMONY REGARDING THE DETERMINATION OF THE EFFECTS OF GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWAL ON LAND SUBSIDENCE DURING THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022. Mr. Petrov stated that holding this hearing is an annual requirement by statute. Mr. Turco provided an overview of the Annual Report scope and stated that the hearing is planned for 9:00 AM on Thursday, April 27, 2023. Mr. Côté moved to approve Resolution No. 2023-1098, it was seconded by Ms. Mears. Chairman Petrov put the question, and after the vote, announced the motion carried. None opposed. (This resolution is in full in the official records of the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District being resolution No. 2023-1098).
- 9. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM STAFF ON THE STATUS OF THE 2022 GNSS SURVEY. Ashley Greuter, Director of Research and Water Conservation, briefed the Board on the status of the 2022 GNSS Survey.
- 10. RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM STAFF ON THE STATUS OF THE JOINT REGULATORY PLAN. Ashley Greuter, Director of Research and Water Conservation, briefed the Board on the status of the Joint Regulatory Plan Review.
- 11. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT. 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 & LEGISLATIVE MATTERS. Mr. Ellis updated the Board on recent litigation on groundwater issues and legislative matters. Mr. Canonico and Mr. Theriot-Smith arrived during this item.
- 13. EXECUTIVE SESSION.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 10:54 A.M.

BY:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Secretary