

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF  
TRINITY BAY CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
Wednesday, April 13, 2022  
12:00 O'clock P.M.

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF CHAMBERS

The Board of Directors of Trinity Bay Conservation District met at the offices of the District in Stowell, Texas on Wednesday, April 13, 2022, with the following Directors present:

Scott Kahla	President
Lester Hankamer, Jr.	Secretary
Gregg Turner	Director

Also present were Danny Pringle, Mike Will, Alejandra Ruiz, David Hoyt, Josh Weisinger, Crystal Threadgill, Diane Newsome, District Employees; Kate Leverett of Germer, District Counsel; Also present were Gloria Roemer & Sharisa Nelson of The Seabreeze Beacon, Rick Nicely, Victor Caraway, Rachal Hisler, Constable Brad Moon and Dallas Barrington.

Director Jenkins and Director Mitchell were absent.

**Agenda Item 1:**

President Kahla called the Meeting to order at 12:00 P.M.

**Agenda Item 2:**

The meeting opened with a prayer by Jerry Shadden.

Gregg Turner led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American and Texas flags.

**Agenda Item 3:**

Under Public Comment:

Sharisa Nelson read a Letter to the Editor that was submitted October 26, 2020, by Cody Bauer.

Gloria Roemer stated the Board of Directors have a lack of transparency and accountability that is blinding, and that the community is their main concern. Why is there a constable here to keep things from getting out of hand? Agenda Item #9 about extending water lines has been discussed in length in the past and now the District is going backwards letting the General Manager make that decision. She spoke with Dallas Barrington and asked if he was an auditor and he stated no that he was a lawyer.

Jerry Shadden recognized Anthony Joseph and Josh Weisinger for obtaining their "D" licenses for wastewater treatment. Josh Weisinger was present to receive his certificate.

**Agenda Item 4:**

Director Hankamer made a motion to approve the minutes of a Regular Meeting held March 16, 2022, and Special Meeting held April 04, 2022. Director Turner seconded, and the motion passed on a unanimous vote.

**Agenda Item 5:**

Jerry Shadden presented the Financial Reports for March 2022. Director Turner made a motion to approve the Financial Reports for March 2022. The motion was seconded by Director Hankamer and it passed by a unanimous vote.

**Agenda Item 6:**

Jerry Shadden presented the March 2022 Tax Reports for Chambers and Jefferson Counties. Director Hankamer made a motion to approve the Tax Report for March 2022. The motion was seconded by Director Turner and it passed unanimously.

**Agenda Item 7:**

Jerry Shadden presented the March 2022 Accounts Payable. Director Turner made a motion to approve the March 2022 Accounts Payable and Director Hankamer seconded the motion and it passed by a unanimous vote.

**Agenda Item 8:**

Director Turner made a motion to enter into an agreement with Plummer Associates, Inc. for engineering, scientific, and environmental support services for the wetlands. Director Hankamer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Item 9 was skipped in error and was addressed after Item #10.

**Agenda Item 10:**

Director Hankamer made a motion to adopt order to allow Robert T. Bass with Allison, Bass & Associates, LLP, to redistrict Trinity Bay Conservation District political boundaries. Director Turner seconded the motion, and it passed by unanimous vote.

**Agenda Item 9:**

Director Hankamer stated that this item should be tabled until the two vacant Director positions are filled. No action was taken.

**Agenda Item 11:**

Director Turner made a motion to authorize Entergy to upgrade the electrical system from single phase to a three phase on Speights Road, starting at Hwy 61 to the new Hankamer Sewer Plant. Not to exceed \$20,000.00. Director Hankamer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**Agenda Item 12:**

Director Hankamer made a motion to accept the water main lines in the Cypress Point Subdivision, Section 2, as part of the Trinity Bay Conservation District water system. Director Turner seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**Agenda Item 13:**

Director Turner made a motion to execute a Letter of Engagement authorizing Dallas Barrington, outside counsel, to perform an audit and review of internal affairs. The motion was seconded by Director Hankamer and it passed unanimously.

**Agenda Item 14:**

Two resumes were received for vacant District 2 & District 3 Board of Directors positions. Victor Caraway applied for Precinct 3 and Richard "Rick" Nicely applied for Precinct 2. These were the only two resumes received. They both were given an opportunity to speak. This item was moved into Executive Session. No action was taken.

**Executive Session:**

The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 12:45 P.M. to discuss Agenda Item #14.

The Board returned to Regular Session at 1:42 P.M.

**Agenda Item 15:**

Director Hankamer made a motion to appoint Victor Caraway to Precinct 3 and Richard "Rick" Nicely to Precinct 2, respectively. Director Turner seconded the motion, and it passed by a unanimous vote.

**Drainage Report:**

Danny Pringle presented the drainage report on various areas of the District.

**Utilities Report:**

Mike Will reported on Plant issues and Water and Sewer issues in various areas of the District.

Rick Nicely asked about drainage issues in Chambers County that have been discussed with TBCD, Chambers County, DD6 and TXDOT. Jerry Shadden gave an update.


Gloria Roemer asked about Agenda Item #13, if there was a cap on the amount to be spend with Dallas Barrington. Kate Leverret, District Counsel, stated that the information was in the Engagement Letter. Gloira Roemer requested a copy of the Engagement Letter.

Director Hankamer moved to Adjourn, and Director Turner seconded. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 1:53 P.M. by President Kahla.

READ AND APPROVED:

Attest

  
Les Hankamer, Secretary

  
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Scott Kahla  
President

Date: 5/11/22