

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING / PUBLIC HEARING
OF
TRINITY BAY CONSERVATION DISTRICT
Wednesday, August 31, 2022
9:00 O'clock A.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, August 31, 2022, with the following Directors present:

Greg Turner	Vice-President
Richard Nicely	Director
Victor Caraway	Director

Also present were Jerry Shadden, David Hoyt and Crystal Threadgill, District Employees; Guy Goodson of Germer, District Counsel; Also present were Brad Moon, Sharisa Nelson of the Seabreeze Beacon and Wade Thibodeaux of The Hometown Press.

I. PUBLIC HEARING

Agenda Item 1:

Vice-President Tuner called the Hearing to order at 9:00 a.m.

Agenda Item 2:

The meeting opened with a prayer by General Manager Jerry Shadden and Vice-President Turner led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American and Texas flags.

Agenda Item 3:

Public Comment:

No Public comments

Director Carraway moved to Adjourn, and Director Nicely seconded. The motion carried and the Hearing adjourned at 9:02 A.M. by Vice-President Tuner.

II. SPECIAL MEETING

Agenda Item 1:

Preliminary Tax Rate:

District Counsel Guy Goodson went over the tax rate and how it is calculated.

Director Caraway, made a Motion to Approve the Preliminary Tax Rate of 0.364467/\$100.00 for the 2022-2023 Budget. The motion was seconded by Director Nicely and it passed by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 2:

Contract with Jeffrey S. Ward & Associates:

General Manager Shadden - We had our own hazard mitigation license and we are required to renew it every 5 years and it was up for renewal in 2000. For some reason it was not renewed, and we need this for Hazard Mitigation Grants. So, all the Grants that we have applied for, I think we are in good shape, because we partnered with the County on some of those, so, this is our own to be able to do that. It is \$47,500.00 to upgrade it.

Director Nicely, made a Motion to Approve a contract with Jeffrey S. Ward & Associates, Inc. for Consulting Services and Hazard Mitigation Plan Update/Development. The motion was seconded by Director Caraway and it passed by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 3:

Spurger Aviation:

General Manager Shadden – What this is is in 2011 when I came here, Mr. Goodson and I wrote a contract and we had a contractor come in from Louisiana and spray ditches for us and we got busy building bridges and things and we just didn't have the money to spray anymore. This is a test program to where we are going to have a guy come in and we got with the manufacturer of the chemicals and we are going to do a test spray area and make sure this is what we want to do and if it gives us the affect that we want as far as the kill and keeping the good grass. In our budget, I budgeted \$100,000.00 to cover it. We would be able to spray all of our big ditches and

everything else. The first time we did it, there is a picture of the helicopter that we used and we didn't make the chemical strong enough, we burnt it, but we didn't kill it. So, we want to do a test project to make sure that we have the formula correct, so when we do spend the money, it is right.

Director Nicely, made a Motion to accept bid from Spurger Aviation to spray 400 Acres/48.7 Miles of drainage ditches at a cost of \$27.50 per acre for a total of \$11,000.00. The motion was seconded by Director Caraway and it passed by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 4:

Replacing Miller Trailblazer 302 Welding Machine:

General Manager Shadden – I bought one back when we were building the bridges and structures in 2012 and they came to me and told me the motor is bad on it. With it being that old, I do not see replacing the motor, I think the whole thing needs to be replaced. Also now you can get like a 18 KW Generator on the back, so if I were to need it to run a pump station or something like that it can be used as a dual purpose for welding and for a generator. This unit here also comes with a built-in air compressor. So, if you mount it on this new 1 ton that we are going to buy with a crane he has a generator, welding machine and air compressor all in one.

Director Caraway, made a Motion to replace the Miller Trailblazer 302 Welding Machine due to a bad engine at a cost of \$19,500.00. The motion was seconded by Director Nicely and it passed by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 5:

Posting of Agenda:

Guy Goodson, District Counsel, explained that pursuant to Section 551.054 of the Government Code we are only required to post the Agenda's on our website and in the front lobby for people to see.

Director Caraway, made a Motion to approve posting of Agendas at the Administrative Office and on it's Website only pursuant to Section 551.054 of the Government Code. The motion was seconded by Director Nicely and it passed by unanimous vote.

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

GOVERNMENT CODE 551, SUBCHAPTER D

SECTION 551.071 - CONSULTATION WITH DISTRICT'S ATTORNEY REGARDING POSSIBLE LITIGATION

SECTION 551.072 - DELIBERATION ABOUT REAL PROPERTY

SECTION 551.074 - MATTERS OF PERSONNEL

SECTION 551.075 - CONFERENCE WITH EMPLOYEE

SECTION 551.076 - TO DELIBERATE THE DEPLOYMENT OR SPECIFIC OCCASIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF SECURITY PERSONNEL OR DEVICES

IV. ACTION ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

No Action taken

V. ADJOURN.

Director Caraway moved to Adjourn, and Director Nicely seconded. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 9:19 A.M. by Vice-President Turner.

READ AND APPROVED:


Scott Kahla, President

Attest


Les Hankamer, Secretary

Date: 9-14-2022