

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
ORANGE COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT**

July 14, 2020

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Drainage District was held on Tuesday, July 14, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. at the District Office located at 8081 Old Highway 90, Orange, Texas. Due to the COVID-19 Coronavirus pandemic, and the suspension of certain provisions of the Texas Open Meetings statutes by Governor Greg Abbott, this regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held by telephone conference call. Also, due to the social distancing orders and recommendations issued by federal, state and local authorities, and for the safety and welfare of the public and Drainage District staff, members of the public were allowed to attend and fully participate in the meeting by telephone conference call only, by calling the toll free number and entering the access code provided, as set forth in the Notice of Meeting.

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

J.B. Arrington	Director, Precinct No. 2
Hal LaPray	Director, Precinct No. 4

DIRECTORS PRESENT BY TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL:

Brent Peveto	Director At-Large
Russell Covington	Director, Precinct No. 1
Randy Fuselier	Director, Precinct No. 3

OTHERS PRESENT:

Don Carona	General Manager
Austin Barrow	Assistant General Manager- Operations
Cindy Pent	Recording Secretary
Keri Michutka	Accountant (By telephone conference call)
Martin Dies	Attorney (By telephone conference call)
Mickey Moshier	Insurance Consultant (By telephone conference call)

MEETING OPENED:

Mr. Peveto called the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Drainage District to order at 10:00 a.m. Mr. LaPray led the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. LaPray made a motion to dispense with the reading of, and to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2020 regular meeting. Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

VISITORS

Members of the public attended the meeting by telephone conference call. There were no requests to address the Board of Directors or to make comments.

RECOGNIZE ACCEPTANCE OF TEXPOOL JUNE 2020 REPORT

No action required.

APPROVAL OF JUNE 2020 BILLS

After review and discussion, Mr. LaPray made a motion to approve the bills for June, 2020. Mr. Fuselier seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE MINOR PLAT OF MYERS ESTATES, A SUBDIVISION OF A 1.36 ACRE TRACT OF LAND AND A 1.39 ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF THE JOHN M. SWISHER SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 316, SECTION NO. 2 ORANGE COUNTY, TEXAS INTO LOTS 1 AND 2, BLOCK 1 AND LOTS 1 AND 2, BLOCK 2 AND AUTHORIZATION OF THE OFFICE MANAGER TO SIGN SAID PLAT, BY PERMISSION, FOR EACH DIRECTOR PARTICIPATING IN THE BOARD MEETING VIA PHONE DURING WHICH THE APPROVAL OF SAID PLAT IS GRANTED

Mr. LaPray made a motion to approve the Minor Plat of Myers Estates, a Subdivision of a 1.36 Acre Tract of Land and a 1.39 Acre Tract of Land out of the John M. Swisher Survey, Abstract No. 316, Section No. 2 Orange County, Texas into Lots 1 and 2, Block 1 and Lots 1 and 2, Block 2 and authorization of the Office Manager to sign said Plat, by permission, for each Director participating in the Board Meeting via phone during which the approval of said Plat is granted. Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE MINOR PLAT OF BRUCE WEAVER 4.20 TOTAL ACRES INTO TRACTS 1 & 2 AND AUTHORIZATION OF THE OFFICE MANAGER TO SIGN SAID PLAT, BY PERMISSION, FOR EACH DIRECTOR PARTICIPATING IN THE BOARD MEETING VIA PHONE DURING WHICH THE APPROVAL OF SAID PLAT IS GRANTED

Mr. LaPray made a motion to approve the Minor Plat of Bruce Weaver 4.20 Total Acres into Tracts 1 & 2 and authorization of the Office Manager to sign said Plat, by permission, for each Director participating in the Board Meeting via phone during which the approval of said Plat is granted. Mr. Fuselier seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RELEASE OF ACCESS EASEMENT PREVIOUSLY OBTAINED BY THE ORANGE COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT AS REFLECTED IN FILE NO. 459199 OF THE OFFICIAL PUBLIC RECORD OF ORANGE COUNTY, TEXAS

Mr. LaPray made a motion to approve the Release of Access Easement previously obtained by the Orange County Drainage District as reflected in file No. 459199 of the Official Public Record of Orange County, Texas. Mr. Fuselier seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR DRAINAGE DISTRICT STAFF TO APPROVE THE DRAINAGE STUDY TITLED "ORANGE RAIL YARD DRAINAGE IMPACT ANALYSIS" AS PREPARED BY DASA CROWELL, P.E., DATED JULY 7, 2020 AND THE DRAINAGE ASPECTS OF THE ASSOCIATED SITE DEVELOPMENT PLANS TITLED "2020 ORANGE RAIL LOOP TRACK AND SIT YARD RAIL YARD PROJECT" FOR ORANGE RAIL, INC DATED JUNE 25, 2020, WITH DRAINAGE PLAN REVISIONS LAST UPDATED JULY 7, 2020, TO BE LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF FOREMAN ROAD

Mr. LaPray made a motion to table this matter. Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A TAX ABATEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN ORANGE COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT AND CHEVRON PHILLIPS CHEMICAL COMPANY LP

Mr. LaPray made a motion to approve a Tax Abatement Agreement between Orange County Drainage District and Chevron Phillips Chemical Company LP. Mr. Fuselier seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE ORANGE COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT AND RON LEWIS & ASSOCIATES FOR LEGISLATIVE CONSULTATIVE SERVICES

Mr. LaPray made a motion to approve the Agreement between the Orange County Drainage District and Ron Lewis & Associates for legislative consultative services. Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE REQUEST BY SOUTHEAST TEXAS RESOURCE CONSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT, INC. FOR ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION


Mr. LaPray made a motion to approve the request by Southeast Texas Resource Conservation & Development, Inc. for annual contribution of \$500.00. Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND DECLARATION OF DISTRICT SURPLUS PROPERTY, AND FOR AUTHORIZATION OF THE SALE OF SUCH SURPLUS PROPERTY BY UTILIZING THE ONLINE AUCTION SERVICES OF RENE' BATES AUCTIONEER, INC., WITH SUCH AUCTION OCCURRING DURING THE MONTH OF JULY, 2020 OR AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE

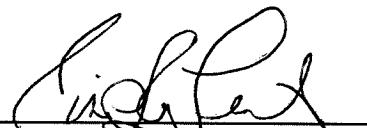
Mr. LaPray made a motion to declare specific and identified property of the District as surplus property, as identified by District Management, and to authorize the sale of such surplus property by utilizing the online auction services of Rene' Bates Auctioneer, Inc., with such auction occurring during the month of July, 2020, or at the earliest possible date. Mr. Fuselier seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

BOARD ADJOURNS

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Covington made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Arrington seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.



Brent Peveto
President



Cindy Pent
Recording Secretary