

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

September 22, 2020

A special called meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Drainage District was held on Tuesday, September 22, 2020 at 2:00 p.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 special 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
Randy Fuselier	Director, Precinct No. 3
Hal LaPray	Director, Precinct No. 4

DIRECTORS PRESENT BY TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL:

Russell Covington	Director, Precinct No. 1
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DIRECTORS ABSENT:

Brent Peveto	Director At-Large
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OTHERS PRESENT:

Don Carona	General Manager
Austin Barrow	Assistant General Manager- Operations
Cindy Pent	Recording Secretary
Martin Dies	Attorney (By telephone conference call)

MEETING OPENED

Mr. LaPray called the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Drainage District to order at 2:00 p.m. Mr. Barrow led the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

VISITORS

There were no members of the public who attended the meeting by telephone conference call, and there were no requests to address the Board of Directors or to make comments.

RECEIPT AND CONSIDERATION OF THE EVALUATION OF THE EVALUATION COMMITTEE PREVIOUSLY DESIGNATED BY THE BOARD, AND SELECTION OF, AND AWARD OF CONTRACT TO A FIRM(S) TO PROVIDE GRANT APPLICATION AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE DISTRICT'S REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR GRANT APPLICATION AND ADMINISTRATION SERVICES (RFP 2020-02-HMGP), AND AUTHORIZATION OF THE DISTRICT'S GENERAL MANAGER, UPON CONSULTATION AND APPROVAL OF THE DISTRICT'S ATTORNEY, TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH SUCH FIRM(S) ON BEHALF OF THE DRAINAGE DISTRICT

Mr. Fuselier made a motion to select and award the contract to Traylor and Associates, Inc. to provide grant application and administrative services pursuant to the District's Request for Proposals for Grant Application and Administrative Services (RFP 2020-02-HMGP), and authorize the District's General Manager, upon consultation and approval of the District's Attorney, to negotiate and execute a contract with such firm on behalf of the Drainage District. Mr. Arrington seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE REPLAT OF CRAFT LANE 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 made a motion to table consideration of the replat of Craft Lane. Mr. Arrington seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR DRAINAGE DISTRICT STAFF TO APPROVE THE DRAINAGE PLAN FOR ARIZONA BEND ADDITION, TO BE LOCATED AT THE END OF N. ARIZONA AND E. ARIZONA IN BRIDGE CITY, TX, PREPARED BY JEREMY J. MITCHELL, P.E., DATED JUNE 2, 2020 WITH SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET 3 OF 17 DATED SEPTEMBER 2, 2020, AND THE RELATED PRELIMINARY PLAT PREPARED BY JEREMY J. MITCHELL, DATED JUNE 2, 2020

Mr. Fuselier made a motion to authorize the Drainage District Staff to approve the Drainage Plan for Arizona Bend Addition, to be located at the end of N. Arizona and E. Arizona in Bridge City, TX, prepared by Jeremy J. Mitchell, P.E., dated June 2, 2020 with supplemental sheet 3 of 17 dated September 2, 2020, and the related Preliminary Plat prepared by Jeremy J. Mitchell, dated June 2, 2020. Mr. Arrington seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

CONSIDERATION AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ORANGE COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SOUTHEAST TEXAS COOPERATIVE PURCHASING ORGANIZATION ADMINISTERED BY REGION 5 EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER, AND AUTHORIZING DON CARONA AND JOE ESCOBEDO TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS PERTAINING TO SUCH PARTICIPATION

Mr. Fuselier made a motion to authorize the Orange County Drainage District to participate in the Southeast Texas Cooperative Purchasing Organization administered by Region 5 Education Service Center at a cost of \$600 annually, and authorizing Don Carona and Joe Escobedo to execute any and all required documents pertaining to such participation. Mr. Arrington seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

CONSIDERATION AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ORANGE COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE INTERLOCAL PURCHASING SYSTEM (TIPS), AND AUTHORIZING DON CARONA AND JOE ESCOBEDO TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS PERTAINING TO SUCH PARTICIPATION

Mr. Fuselier made a motion to authorize the Orange County Drainage District to participate in the Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS), and authorizing Don Carona and Joe Escobedo to execute any and all required documents pertaining to such participation. Mr. Arrington seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL THE AMENDED NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION FOR THE ORANGE COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A DIRECTOR OF DRAINAGE DISTRICT PRECINCT 2 AND A DIRECTOR OF DRAINAGE DISTRICT PRECINCT 3, TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 03, 2020 IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 49 OF THE TEXAS WATER CODE, THE TEXAS ELECTION CODE, AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAW AND AUTHORIZATION OF THE OFFICE MANAGER TO SIGN SAID ORDER, BY PERMISSION, FOR EACH DIRECTOR

Mr. Fuselier made a motion to approve the amended Notice of General Election for the Orange County Drainage District for the purpose of electing a Director of Drainage District Precinct 3, to be held on November 03, 2020 in accordance with Chapter 49 of the Texas Water Code, the Texas Election Code, and all other applicable law and authorization of the Office Manager to sign said Order, by permission, for each Director. Mr. Arrington seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF ADOPTION OF QUALIFIED REPLACEMENT BENEFIT ARRANGEMENT WITH TEXAS COUNTY AND DISTRICT RETIREMENT SYSTEM (TCDRS)

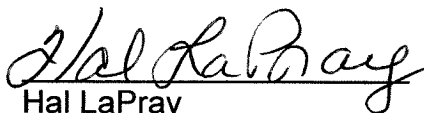
Mr. Fuselier made a motion to approve the adoption of Qualified Replacement Benefit Arrangement with Texas County and District Retirement System (TCDRS). Mr. Arrington seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.


CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF THE ORANGE COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT DRAINAGE CRITERIA MANUAL AND REGULATIONS

Mr. Fuselier made a motion to table consideration of the adoption of the Orange County Drainage District Drainage Criteria Manual and Regulations. Mr. Arrington seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

BOARD ADJOURNS

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Arrington made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Fuselier seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 3:02 p.m.


Hal LaPray
Vice-President


Cindy Pent
Recording Secretary