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

## September 01, 2020

A special called meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Drainage District was held on Tuesday, September 01, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. at the District Office located at 8081 Old Hwy 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:**

**Brent Peveto** 

**Director At Large** 

J.B. Arrington

Director, Precinct No. 2

### DIRECTORS PRESENT BY TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL:

Russell Covington

Director, Precinct No. 1

Randy Fuselier

Director, Precinct No. 3

Hal LaPray

Director, Precinct No. 4

## **DIRECTORS ABSENT:**

None

### OTHERS PRESENT:

Don Carona

General Manager

**Austin Barrow** 

Assistant General Manager- Operations

Cindy Pent

Recording Secretary

#### **VISITORS:**

None

#### **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.

## PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Public Hearing on the District's proposed tax rate for Fiscal year 2020-2021 was opened for discussion. Mr. Carona noted that the District published a Notice of Public Hearing in the Orange Leader Newspaper on August 15, 2020, and the Notice of Public Hearing was also placed on the District's website. There were no visitors or members of the public who participated in the Public Hearing.

## **BOARD ADJOURNS**

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Arrington made the motion to adjourn. Mr. LaPray seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 10:08 a.m.

**Brent Peveto** 

President

Cindy Pent

Recording Secretary