

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

November 10, 2020

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Drainage District was held on Tuesday, November 10, 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 in person and 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 in person, subject to limitations of building occupancy capacity and safe-distancing guidelines, or by telephone conference call, 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
Larry E. Ancelot, Jr.	Director, Precinct No. 2
James Scales	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:

None

OTHERS PRESENT:

Don Carona	General Manager
Austin Barrow	Assistant General Manager
Cindy Pent	Recording Secretary
Keri Michutka	Accountant (By telephone conference call)
Martin Dies	Attorney
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 October 6, 2020 special meeting, the October 13, 2020 regular meeting and the October 19, 2020 special meeting. Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

OFFICIAL CANVASS OF ELECTION RETURNS FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION HELD ON NOVEMBER 3, 2020

Mrs. Pent presented the election results to the Board of Directors as follows:

Precinct 2	Mail-in Voting	Early Voting	Election Day	Total
Larry E. Ancelot, Jr.	240	4,964	952	6,156
J.B. Arrington	260	2,330	436	3,026

Precinct 3	Mail-in Voting	Early Voting	Election Day	Total
James Scales	339	6,218	955	7,512
Randy Fuselier	169	2,109	463	2,741

Mr. LaPray made a motion to accept the official canvass of election returns. Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

ADMINISTER THE STATEMENT OF ELECTED OFFICER AND OATH OF OFFICE TO BOARD MEMBERS NEWLY ELECTED IN THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020 ELECTION

Mrs. Pent administered the Statement and Oath of Office to Larry E. Ancelot, Jr. and James Scales.

CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL DIRECTOR’S BONDS FOR NEWLY ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. LaPray made a motion to approve Director’s Bond for newly elected Board Members. Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

VISITORS

Mr. Dale Parrish from the Lower Sabine Neches Water and Soil Conservation District addressed the Board, and requested on that this District (on which Mr. Parrish serves as a member of the Board), be allowed to use the OCDD Board Room for this District’s regular monthly meetings until such time that the monthly meetings are allowed to resume at the Orange County Convention and Expo Center.

RECOGNIZE ACCEPTANCE OF TEXPOOL OCTOBER 2020 REPORT

No action required.

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 2020 BILLS

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

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING REORGANIZATION OF OFFICERS ON THE BOARD

Mr. LaPray made a motion for Mr. Peveto to remain as President of the Board. Mr. Ancelot seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Peveto made a motion for Mr. Covington to remain as Secretary Treasurer of the Board. Mr. LaPray seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Peveto made a motion for Mr. LaPray to remain as Vice President of the Board. Mr. Ancelot seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF MINOR PLAT OF AN 18.09 ACRE TRACT RECORDED AT VOLUME 467, PAGE 39 DEED RECORDS ORANGE COUNTY, TEXAS IN THE G. C. & S. F. RY. CO. SURVEY NUMBER 6 (JAMES LEWIS) ABSTRACT 383 ORANGE COUNTY, TEXAS INTO LOTS 1, 2, & 3 OF THE HARRELL ADDITION NO. 1, 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 an 18.09 Acre Tract recorded at Volume 467, Page 39 Deed Records Orange County, Texas in the G. C. & S. F. RY. Co. Survey Number 6 (James Lewis) Abstract 383 Orange County, Texas into Lots 1,2 & 3 of the Harrell Addition No. 1. Mr. Ancelot seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF MINOR PLAT OF HARRIS – 9.226 ACRES OUT OF CALLED 38 ACRES (TRACT ONE) AND CALLED 8.5 ACRES (TRACT TWO) RECORDED IN COUNTY CLERK FILE NO. 134745, OPROCT IN PINCKNEY LOU LEAGUE, A-17, ORANGE COUNTY, 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 Harris -9.226 Acres out of Called 38 Acres (Tract One) and Called 8.5 Acres (Tract Two) recorded in County Clerk File No. 134745, OPROCT in Pinckney Lout League, A-17, Orange County. Mr. Scales seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL RENEWAL OF ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP WITH SOUTH EAST TEXAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Mr. Ancelot made a motion to approve renewal of annual membership with South East Texas Regional Planning Commission. Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE CERTIFICATION OF CURRENT AND DELINQUENT TAX ROLLS BY THE ORANGE COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR

Mr. Covington made a motion to accept the Certification of Current and Delinquent Tax Rolls by the Orange County Tax Assessor-Collector. Mr. LaPray seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE DISTRICT'S INVESTMENT POLICY AND INVESTMENT STRATEGIES, AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION REGARDING SUCH REVIEW.

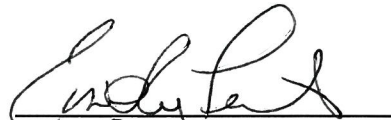
Mr. LaPray made a motion to adopt a Resolution regarding the Annual Review of the District's Investment Policy and Investment Strategies, and changing Attachment C to said Investment Policy and Investment Strategies. Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

BOARD ADJOURNS

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Ancelot made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.



Brent Peveto
President



Cindy Pent
Recording Secretary