

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

**March 9, 2021**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Drainage District was held on Tuesday, March 9, 2021 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:**

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| Brent Peveto       | Director At-Large        |
| Russell Covington  | Director, Precinct No. 1 |
| Larry Ancelot, Jr. | Director, Precinct No. 2 |
| James Scales       | Director, Precinct No. 3 |
| Hal LaPray         | Director, Precinct No. 4 |

**DIRECTORS PRESENT BY TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL:**

None

**DIRECTORS ABSENT:**

None

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

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| 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 February 9, 2021 regular meeting. Mr. Ancelot seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

## **VISITORS**

None.

## **RECOGNIZE ACCEPTANCE OF TEXPOOL FEBRUARY 2021 REPORT**

No action required.

## **APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 2021 BILLS**

After review and discussion, Mr. LaPray made a motion to approve the bills for February, 2021. Mr. Ancelot seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

## **CONSIDERATION AND DESIGNATION OF AN EVALUATION COMMITTEE TO REVIEW, SCORE AND RANK ALL OF THE SUBMITTALS TIMELY RECEIVED IN RESPONSE TO THE DISTRICT'S REQUEST FOR COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSALS (RFCSP NO. 2021-01) FOR THE BAYOU WATERWAYS DEBRIS REMOVAL PROJECT, WHICH COMMITTEE WILL PROVIDE SUCH EVALUATIONS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR CONSIDERATION IN THE BOARD'S SELECTION OF THE CONTRACTOR TO BE RETAINED TO PROVIDE SUCH SERVICES, CONSIDERING ALL OF THE CRITERIA SET FORTH IN SAID RFCSP**

Mr. Covington made a motion to designate an Evaluation Committee made up of Don Carona, Austin Barrow, Joe Escobedo, and Neal Ford to review, score and rank all of the submittals timely received in response to the District's request for the competitive sealed proposals (RFCSP No. 2021-01) for the Bayou Waterways Debris Removal Project, which committee will provide such evaluations to the Board of Directors for consideration in the Board's selection of the contractor(s) to be retained to provide such services, considering all of the criteria set forth in said RFCSP. Mr. Scales seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RE-PLAT OF TERRY ESTATES, PHASE ONE, A PORTION OF LOT 61 AND ALL OF LOTS 62, 63 AND 64 INTO LOTS 62A AND 64A, AND AUTHORIZATION OF OFFICE MANAGER TO SIGN SAID PLAT, BY PERMISSION, FOR EACH DIRECTOR**

Mr. LaPray made a motion to approve the Re-Plat of Terry Estates, Phase One, A Portion of Lot 61 and All of Lots 62, 63, and 64 into Lots 62A and 64A, and to authorize the Office Manager to sign said Plat, by permission, for each Director. Mr. Ancelot seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AMENDED MINOR PLAT OF CALLED 0.4584 ACRE OUT OF AND PART OF LOT 32 HOUSEMAN ACRES, VOLUME 5, PAGE 74, MAP RECORDS INTO C.A.B.Z. SUBDIVISION NO. 1, AND AUTHORIZATION OF THE OFFICE MANAGER TO SIGN SAID PLAT, BY PERMISSION, FOR EACH DIRECTOR**

Mr. Covington made a motion to approve the Amended Minor Plat of Called 0.4584 Acre out of and Part of Lot 32 Houseman Acres, Volume 5, Page 74, Map Records into C.A.B.Z. Subdivision No. 1, and to authorize the Office Manager to sign said Plat, by permission, for each Director. Mr. Scales seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF MINOR PLAT OF ESTATEPRO II, AND AUTHORIZATION OF THE OFFICE MANAGER TO SIGN SAID PLAT, BY PERMISSION, FOR EACH DIRECTOR**

Mr. Covington made a motion to approve the Minor Plat of Estatepro II, and to authorize the Office Manager to sign said Plat, by permission, for each Director. Mr. LaPray seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR DRAINAGE DISTRICT STAFF TO APPROVE THE DRAINAGE STUDY FOR BLAND RV PARK, TO BE LOCATED OFF OF HIGHWAY 12 NEAR CARLTON ROAD, ORANGE, TX, PREPARED BY SAMUEL PAUL FOUNTAIN, P.E. DATED FEBRUARY 18, 2021**

Mr. Ancelot made a motion to authorize Drainage District Staff to approve the Drainage Study for Bland RV Park, to be located off of Highway 12 near Carlton Road, Orange, TX, prepared by Samuel Paul Fountain, P.E. dated February 18, 2021. Mr. Lapray seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR DRAINAGE DISTRICT STAFF TO APPROVE THE DRAINAGE STUDY FOR WINNHAVEN DUPLEXES, TO BE LOCATED AT 540 WILSON STREET, VIDOR, TX, PREPARED BY SAMUEL PAUL FOUNTAIN, P.E. DATED FEBRUARY 18, 2021**

Mr. LaPray made a motion to authorize Drainage District Staff to approve the Drainage Study for Winnhaven Duplexes, to be located at 540 Wilson Street, Vidor, TX, prepared by Samuel Paul Fountain, P.E. Dated February 18, 2021. Mr. Ancelot seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR DRAINAGE DISTRICT STAFF TO APPROVE THE DRAINAGE STUDY FOR O'REILLY'S AUTO PARTS, TO BE LOCATED OFF OF HIGHWAY 62, SOUTH OF THE INTERSECTION OF HIGHWAY 12 AND HIGHWAY 62, MAURICEVILLE, TX, PREPARED BY BRETT T. HANRAHAN, P.E. DATED FEBRUARY 10, 2021**

Mr. LaPray made a motion to authorize Drainage District Staff to approve the Drainage Study for O'Reilly's Auto Parts, to be located off of Highway 62, south of the intersection of Highway 12 and Highway 62, Mauriceville, TX, prepared by Brett T. Hanrahan, P.E. dated February 10, 2021. Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**BOARD GOES INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**


Time: 11:30 a.m. Mr. Ancelot made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters (as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.074) and to consult with the District's attorney regarding legal matters (as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.071). Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**

The Board reconvened in open session at 12:53 p.m.

**BOARD ADJOURNS**

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. LaPray made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Ancelot seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 12:54 p.m.

  
Brent Peveto  
President

  
Cindy Pent  
Recording Secretary