

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

August 10, 2021

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Drainage District was held on Tuesday, August 10, 2021 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 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 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
James Scales	Director, Precinct No. 3
Hal LaPray	Director, Precinct No. 4

DIRECTORS PRESENT BY TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL:

Russell Covington	Director, Precinct No. 1
Larry Ancelot, Jr.	Director, Precinct No. 2 (Joined meeting at 10:50 a.m.)

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

None

OTHERS PRESENT:

Don Carona	General Manager
Austin Barrow	Assistant General Manager
Cindy Pent	Recording Secretary
Keri Michutka	Accountant
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 July 13, 2021 regular meeting and July 19, 2021 special meeting. Mr. Scales seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

VISITORS:

Mr. William D. Jones addressed the Board regarding the road-side ditch on Linscomb Road in Vidor.

RECOGNIZE ACCEPTANCE OF TEXPOOL JULY 2021 REPORT

No action required.

APPROVAL OF JULY 2021 BILLS

After review and discussion, Mr. LaPray made a motion to approve the bills for July, 2021. Mr. Scales seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

DISCUSS AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF ONE OR MORE HMGP APPLICATIONS AND DESIGNATING THE GENERAL MANAGER AND ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER – SPECIAL PROJECTS AS THE DISTRICT'S AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE HMGP APPLICATION(S) AND THE DISTRICT'S PARTICIPATION IN THE HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM

Mr. LaPray made a motion to approve a Resolution authorizing the submittal of one or more HMGP Applications and to designate Don Carona and Douglas Manning as the District's Authorized Representatives in all matters pertaining to the HMGP Application(s) and the District's participation in the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF MINOR PLAT OF WIMBERLY PLACE IN ORANGE COUNTY, TEXAS AND AUTHORIZATION OF THE OFFICE MANAGER TO SIGN SAID PLAT, BY PERMISSION, FOR EACH DIRECTOR

Mr. LaPray made a motion to approve the Minor Plat of Wimberly Place in Orange County, Texas and to authorize the Office Manager to sign said Plat, by permission, for each Director. Mr. Scales seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF MINOR PLAT OF ODOM ESTATES IN ORANGE COUNTY, TEXAS 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 Odom Estates in Orange County, Texas and to authorize the Office Manager to sign said Plat, by permission, for each Director. Mr. LaPray seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF MINOR PLAT OF WELDON ESTATES IN ORANGE COUNTY, TEXAS AND AUTHORIZATION OF THE OFFICE MANAGER TO SIGN SAID PLAT, BY PERMISSION, FOR EACH DIRECTOR

Mr. LaPray made a motion to approve the Minor Plat of Weldon Estates in Orange County, Texas 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 TRACT CONSOLIDATION OF TRACT 1 – 1.00 ACRES AND TRACT 2 – 0.56 ACRES OUT OF THOMAS J. BERWICK SURVEY, A-39, INTO MATSON ADDITION, LOT 1 – 1.565 ACRES IN ORANGE COUNTY, TEXAS AND AUTHORIZATION OF THE OFFICE MANAGER TO SIGN SAID PLAT, BY PERMISSION, FOR EACH DIRECTOR

Mr. LaPray made a motion to approve the Minor Plat of Tract 1 – 1.00 Acres and Tract 2 – 0.56 Acres of Thomas J. Berwick Survey, A-39, into Matson Addition, Lot 1 – 1.565 Acres in Orange County, Texas 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 OCDC DEV, 154.86 TOTAL ACRES INTO TRACTS 1-3, A 154.86 ACRE TRACT IN JOHN HARMON SURVEY, ABSTRACT NUMBER 12, IN ORANGE COUNTY, TEXAS AND AUTHORIZATION OF THE OFFICE MANAGER TO SIGN SAID PLAT, BY PERMISSION, FOR EACH DIRECTOR

Mr. LaPray made a motion to approve the Minor Plat of OCDC DEV, 154.86 Total Acres into Tracts 1-3, a 154.86 Acre Tract in John Harmon Survey, Abstract Number 12, in Orange County, Texas 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 POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING THE REQUEST FROM LOWER SABINE NECHES SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT #446 FOR AN ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION

Mr. LaPray made a motion to approve the request for the Lower Sabine Neches Soil and Water Conservation District #446 for an annual contribution, in the amount of \$1,500. Mr. Ancelot 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 the Southeast Texas Resource Conservation & Development, Inc. for annual contribution, in the amount of \$500. Mr. Ancelot 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 AUGUST, 2021 OR DURING THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE MONTH THEREAFTER

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 August, 2021, or at the earliest possible date. Mr. Scales seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND ENACTMENT OF A RESOLUTION NOMINATING CANDIDATE(S) TO FILL THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR(S) OF THE ORANGE COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT FOR THE 2022-2023 TERM OF OFFICE

Mr. LaPray made a motion to enact a resolution nominating Dale Parrish to fill the position of a Director of the Orange County Appraisal District for the 2022-2023 term of office. Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

BUDGET WORKSHOP

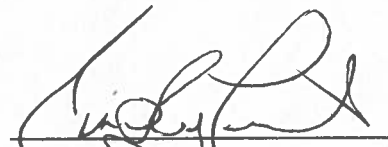
The Board of Directors conducted a Budget Workshop, and along with District Management, reviewed and discussed the proposed Budget for the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year.

BOARD ADJOURNS

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. LaPray made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Scales seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m. Mr. Ancelot left the meeting at 12:30 p.m. and Mr. Covington left the meeting at 1:28 p.m.



Brent Peveto
President



Cindy Pent
Recording Secretary