

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

**September 6, 2023**

The special called meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Drainage District was held on Wednesday, September 6, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. at the District Office located at 8081 Old Highway 90, Orange, Texas. A quorum of the Board of Directors was present for this meeting of the Board of Directors at the location set forth above.

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:**

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 ABSENT:**

Brent Peveto	Director At-Large
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**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Neal Ford	General Manager
Douglas Manning	Assistant General Manager
Don Carona	Executive Manager of Special Projects
Andrea Fabacher	Recording Secretary
Martin Dies	Attorney (By Video Conference)

**MEETING OPENED**

Mr. Scales called the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Drainage District to order at 10:00 a.m. Mr. Manning led the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

**VISITORS**

None

**PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED TAX RATE**

The Public Hearing on the District's proposed tax rate for Fiscal year 2023-2024 was opened for discussion. The Board determined that the Notice of Public Hearing was posted and published in accordance with state law. There were no members of the public who attended or participated in the Public Hearing. The Public Hearing was closed.

**CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE REVISED EAGLE POINT PARKWAY DRAINAGE PLAN. THE ORIGINAL PLAN WAS DATED OCTOBER 9, 2021, AND APPROVED ON OCTOBER 15, 2021. THE REVISED DRAINAGE PLAN, CONSISTING OF THE LETTER DATED AUGUST 28, 2023, AND REVISED SHEET C-441A DATED AUGUST 23, 2023, WERE PREPARED BY DONALD R. KING, P.E.**

Mr. Covington made a motion to approve the revised Eagle Point Parkway Drainage Plan. The original plan was dated October 9, 2021, and approved on October 15, 2021. The revised Drainage Plan, consisting of the letter dated August 28, 2023, and revised sheet C-441A dated August 23, 2023, were prepared by Donald R. King, P.E. Mr. Ancelot seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Don Carona and Neal Ford reported to the Board that they met with the City of Vidor to discuss a potential interlocal agreement with the District to construct a detention pond on District property located near Terry Gully and Maplecrest near the City. The City received a grant of \$4,000,000 from the General Land Office to improve drainage within the City. The detention pond would improve drainage in the City. The District would donate the land, retaining title to the land, while the City would procure construction contractors and construct the pond with design input from the District. The District, thereafter, would be responsible for maintenance. The project would improve drainage in the Maplecrest subdivision as well as surrounding property located within the City. The Board took no action but asked that the matter be placed on the agenda for the next Board meeting for further discussion and possible action.

**BOARD ADJOURNS**

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Ancelot made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 10:26 a.m.



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James Scales  
Secretary



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Andrea Fabacher  
Recording Secretary