

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

December 10, 2024

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Drainage District was held on Tuesday, December 10th, 2024, 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:

Larry Ancelot, Jr.	Director, Precinct No. 2
James Scales	Director, Precinct No. 3
Hal LaPray	Director, Precinct No. 4

DIRECTORS BY VIDEO CONFERENCE:

Brent Peveto	Director At-Large
Russell Covington	Director, Precinct No. 1

OTHERS PRESENT:

Neal Ford	General Manager
Douglas Manning	Assistant General Manager
Andrea Fabacher	Recording Secretary
Don Carona	Attorney
Keri Mitchuka	Accountant

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.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. LaPray made a motion to dispense with the reading of, and to approve, the minutes of the November 12, 2024 regular meeting. Mr. Ancelot seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

VISITORS

None

RECOGNIZE ACCEPTANCE OF TEXPOOL NOVEMBER 2024 REPORT

No action required.

APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 2024 BILLS

After review and discussion, Mr. Ancelot made a motion to approve the bills for November 2024. Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE DISTRICT'S FY 2023-2024 INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT BY WATHEN, DESHONG & JUNCKER, LLP, CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Mr. Ancelot made a motion to approve the District's FY 2023-2024 Independent Audit Report by Wathen, Deshong & Juncker, LLP, Certified Public Accountants. Mr. LaPray seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION OF THE DISTRICT'S GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR GEOTECHNICAL AND CIVIL ENGINEERING SERVICES BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND ARCENEAUX, WILSON & COLE, LLC

Mr. Ancelot made a motion to authorize the District's General Manager to execute the Second Amendment to the Master Services Agreement for Geotechnical and Civil Engineering Services between the District and Arceneaux, Wilson, & Cole, LLC. Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION OF THE DISTRICT'S GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE SECOND AMENDED AGREEMENT FOR CONSULTING SERVICES BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND RAYMOND S. RUSSO

Mr. Peveto made a motion to authorize the District's General Manager to execute the Second Amended Agreement for Consulting Services between the District and Raymond S. Russo. Mr. Ancelot seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

BOARD GOES INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Time: 10:26 a.m. Mr. LaPray made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss property-related matters (as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.072) and personnel related matters (as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.074). Mr. Ancelot seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened in open session at 10:53 a.m.

BOARD ADJOURNS

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Ancelot made the motion to adjourn. Mr. LaPray seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 10:54 a.m.



James Scales
President



Andrea Fabacher
Recording Secretary