

# DeWITT COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1

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DeWitt County Drainage District No. 1 met in **REGULAR** session on **APRIL 30, 2019**, at **5:15 P.M.** in the Conference Room of the District's office at **106 N. Gonzales Street, Ste B**, Cuero, Texas, with the following members present:

Director Doug Sethness  
Director Mary Alice Perales

Staff: Beth Parker, General Manager  
Ryan Parker, Office Manager

Consultants: Andrew Abrameit, Attorney

## CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE QUORUM

Mr. Sethness called the meeting to order at 5:25 P.M.

## MINUTES

MOTION: On Motion by Mrs. Perales and second by Mr. Sethness, the District approved the following minutes:

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|----------------|-----------------|
| March 5, 2019  | Special Meeting |
| March 19, 2019 | Regular Meeting |
| April 8, 2019  | Special Meeting |

## GM REPORT

GM suggested that the District postpone any name change until certain projects are completed, because trying to change our name in the middle of large projects could cause confusion.

GM let the District know that former Crew Foreman Thomas Pullin has not contacted the District to continue his health benefits.

GM updated the District on recent temporary hires from LaborMax Staffing. Mr. Ignacio Granado was hired to do maintenance work for the District and GM noted that his job performance has been more than satisfactory. GM made the District aware that jailed individuals cannot perform temporary maintenance work for the District because they would not be covered under the District's insurance policy. GM noted that community service workers may be able to do so.

GM has attended several meetings, seminars and conferences this spring, including Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC), Texas Department of Emergency Management (TDEM) Seminar, Texas Flash Flood Coalition (TFFC) meeting in Austin, TX, and the Texas Association of Watershed Sponsors

(TAWS) Spring Conference. GM, Mr. Parker & Mr. Sethness plan to attend the SkyWarn meeting in Nordheim on Monday May 6<sup>th</sup>, which is hosted by the National Weather Service.

GM gave an update on grants, noting that the District has applied for 40K from the Texas Soil & Water Conservation Board on behalf of North Cuero Watershed.

No action taken.

#### **FACILITIES – MAINTENANCE, IMPROVEMENTS & PROJECTS**

GM gave update on work done by temp workers, which includes maintenance and mowing done to the District's Equipment Yard, soon to be followed up by mowing in District Channels, system wide. GM also mentioned that the District has until May 31, 2019 to repair the embankment on the West End Lateral Channel with funds from FEMA.

No action taken.

#### **OFFICE SPACE EXPANSION**

GM had spoken with landlord Frank Burns about potentially moving into the office space next door to the District's current office. This space is used by the Pecan Valley Groundwater Conservation District ("PVGWCD") and will be vacant by June 1, 2019. PVGWCD has offered to sell several pieces of office furniture to the District if there is an interest. GM gave a brief explanation of why expanding into the office makes sense for the District's office operations.

No action taken.

#### **TCEQ AGREEMENT / TXDOT LICENSING AGREEMENT**

No action taken.

#### **QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT**

GM recommended that the Quarterly Investment Report item be tabled until next board meeting.

No action taken.

#### **ADJOURN FOR RECESS AT 6:27 P.M. RECONVENE MEETING AT 6:37 P.M.**

#### **REIMBURSEMENTS / DIRECTORS ACTIVITY LOGS**

MOTION: On Motion by Mrs. Perales and second by Mr. Sethness, the District approved the reimbursements as discussed.

**DISBURSEMENTS & FINANCIAL REPORT(S)**

MOTION: On Motion by Mrs. Montgomery and second by Mrs. Perales, the District approved the following financial reports:

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|------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Balance Sheet dated March 31, 2019 showing:</b>   |                     |
| <b>Current Assets of:</b>                            | <b>\$472,105.78</b> |
| <b>Current Liabilities of:</b>                       | <b>\$18,2019.14</b> |
| <br><b>Profit &amp; Loss for March 2019 showing:</b> |                     |
| <b>Total Income:</b>                                 | <b>\$9,536.98</b>   |
| <b>Total Expense:</b>                                | <b>\$30,973.54</b>  |

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|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| <b>Transaction List by Date for</b> | <b>March 20 through April 29, 2019</b> |
| <b>Transaction List by Date for</b> | <b>April 30, 2019</b>                  |

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING(S)**

Next SPECIAL Meeting will be May 6, 2019 at 12:00 P.M.

**ADJOURN**

MOTION: On Motion by Mrs. Perales and second by Mr. Sethness, the District adjourned the meeting at 6:52 P.M.

Sincerely,

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Commissioner  
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Ryan Parker  
Records Management Officer