

DeWITT COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1

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DeWitt County Drainage District No. 1 met in **SPECIAL** session on **JULY 1, 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 Emily Montgomery

Staff: Beth Parker, General Manager

CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE QUORUM

Mr. Sethness called the meeting to order at 5:17 P.M.

RECESS AT 5:17 P.M. ON MONDAY JULY 1, 2019 TO NEXT BUSINESS DAY

RECONVENE ON TUESDAY JULY 2, 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 Emily Montgomery
Director Mary Alice Perales

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

Consultants: Carey Troell, Bracewell LLP
Andy Prihoda, Bracewell LLP

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

BUDGET WORKSHOP FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020

GM presented a spreadsheet which outlines analyses and comparisons of Fiscal Year 2019 budget and the projected budget for Fiscal Year 2020. The spreadsheet gave totals for expenditures and projected reserves for Fiscal Year 2019 and Fiscal Year 2020. GM noted that there will be increased payroll-related costs when the District hires another Crew Foreman.

Several categories are projected to have lower budgeted amounts than Fiscal Year 2019, such as Office & Maintenance Expenses, Professional Services for Engineering costs, and total capital outlays such as large equipment.
No action taken.

INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING

GM introduced to the board the District's bond counsel, Mr. Cary Troell and Mr. Andy Prihoda, of Bracewell LLP. Cary Troell discussed three potential ways for the District to potentially annex properties:

1. 100% landowner petition to annex
2. Majority value of landowners to annex
3. 5% of registered voters within properties to be annexed

Mr. Troell also explained a potential fourth option to annex property, based on a "Validation Statute". Mr. Troell recommended No. 2, above, as the District's best option moving forward.

ENGINEERING

GM discussed a meeting with Duke Altman, Director of Corporate Program Management / Division Manager of Public Works and Water Resources for Doucet & Associates. This meeting was regarding recent missed deadlines as well as the misunderstandings regarding scope of work on the Master Drainage Plan, Rules & Regulations and Drainage Criteria Manual. GM feels that there was an understanding achieved with Doucet & Associates that should yield more satisfactory results moving forward.

GM discussed Work Order No. 10 to describe the District's boundaries regarding the District's Annexation Project. GM recommends using Doucet & Assoc. for this project, with a tighter deadline for completion.

MOTION: On Motion by Mrs. Montgomery and second by Mrs. Perales, the District approved Work Order No. 10, with a total of \$32,000.00.

RESOLUTION ON REIMBURSEMENT

Mr. Troell presented Resolution No. 2019-09, a Reimbursement Resolution Expressing Intent to Finance Expenditures To Be Incurred. This Resolution would allow the District to reimburse itself from costs incurred during the "construction and maintenance of canals, drains, ditches and levees, and other improvements of the District", with a maximum amount of \$25,000,000.

MOTION: On Motion by Mrs. Montgomery and second by Mrs. Perales, the District adopted Resolution No. 2019-09.

DISTRICT POLICIES & PROCEDURES

No action taken.

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING(S)

Next REGULAR Meeting will be July 15, 2019 at 5:15 P.M.

ADJOURN

MOTION: On Motion by Mrs. Montgomery and second by Mrs. Perales, the District adjourned the meeting at 7:28 P.M.

REOPEN MEETING AT 7:36 P.M.

INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING

MOTION: On Motion by Mrs. Montgomery and second by Mrs. Perales, the District authorized the GM to hire a part-time landman to identify land values and owners for the District's Annexation Project, with a spending limit of \$5,000. An additional \$1,000 for staffing and associated expenses is also approved.

ADJOURN

MOTION: On Motion by Mrs. Montgomery and second by Mrs. Perales, the District adjourned the meeting at 7:47 P.M.

Sincerely,

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Commissioner
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Ryan Parker
Records Management Officer