

# DeWITT COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1

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DeWitt County Drainage District No. 1 met in **REGULAR** session on **JUNE 22, 2021** at **9:00 A.M.** in the Conference Room of the District's office at **107 N. Gonzales Street**, Cuero, Texas, with the following members present:

Director Doug Sethness  
Director Joseph Olive  
Director John Varela

Staff: Ryan Parker, Office Manager  
Ignacio Granado Jr., Crew Foreman

## ANNOUNCE QUORUM & CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Sethness called the meeting to order at 9:01 A.M.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

No public present.

## MINUTES

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

May 18, 2021 Regular Meeting  
May 25, 2021 Special Meeting  
June 4, 2021 Emergency Meeting

## FACILITIES – MAINTENANCE, IMPROVEMENTS & PROJECTS

Crew Foreman Ignacio Granado gave updates on recent work in the Maintenance department, such as routine mowing, weed eating and litter pickup in the District's channel system. Mr. Granado also discussed new hires, subsequent resignations, emergency flooding and structural damage to the District's Valley Channel and some potential new purchases.  
No action taken.

## **GM REPORT**

No action taken.

## **EMERGENCY REPAIRS**

Mr. Sethness gave updates regarding structural damage on a portion of the Valley Channel following heavy rainfall earlier this month.

In accordance with Texas Government Code §551.072 discussion involving deliberation regarding real property, the District adjourned for executive session.

**ADJOURN FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:22 A.M.**

**RECONVENE AT 9:41 A.M.**

No action taken.

## **ENGINEERING**

District discussed several work orders prepared by the District's engineering firm, Foresite Group, LLC. These workorders included:

- Work Order No. 4: Flood Early Warning System (FEWS) RFP Development, Stream Gage Siting and Construction Phase Services
- Work Order No. 5: General Services
- Work Order No. 6: Valley Channel Flood Damage Repair

MOTION: On Motion by Mr. Olive and second by Mr. Varela, the District approved Work Order No. 5, to be completed by 12/31/2021 and in the amount of \$25,000 and \$750 allowable expenses; and Work Order No. 6, to be completed by 09/01/2021 and in the amount of \$39,420 and \$750 allowable expenses.

## **DISTRICT PERMITTING AND RULES & REGULATIONS**

District reviewed Order No. 2021-05 Extending Suspension of Parts of District Rules & Regulations for Development Activities within District Jurisdiction, which will extend a limited duration amendment to the Rules & Regulations for the following calendar quarter, until September 30, 2021.

MOTION: On Motion by Mr. Olive and second by Mr. Varela, the District approved Order No. 2021-05.

## **GRANT UPDATES**

District discussed its current projects and corresponding grants including the Texas Water Development Board's Flood Infrastructure Funding Grant ("TWDB FIF") and the Texas General Land Office / Texas Department of Emergency Management ("GLO/ TDEM") grant.

No action taken.

## **TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD FLOOD INFRASTRUCTURE FUND CAT 4 PROJECT 40040**

No action taken.

**HEALTH INSURANCE**

Mr. Parker discussed the upcoming 2021-2022 renewal for employee health benefits with BlueCross BlueShield, Dental Select and Dearborn Group for August 1, 2021.

No action taken.

**PERSONNEL MATTERS**

No action taken.

**FINANCIAL MATTERS**

MOTION: On Motion by Mr. Olive and second by Mr. Varela, the District approved the Transaction List by Date as of June 22, 2021.

**SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING(S)**

Next SPECIAL meeting will be June 29, 2021 at 9 A.M.

Next REGULAR Meeting is not yet scheduled.

**ADJOURN**

MOTION: On Motion by Mr. Olive and second by Mr. Varela, the District adjourned the meeting at 10:15 A.M.

Sincerely,

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Commissioner

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Ryan Parker

Records Management Officer