

DeWITT COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1

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DeWitt County Drainage District No. 1 met in regular session on November 14, 2022, at 11:00 A.M. in the Conference Room of the District's office at 107 N. Gonzales Street, with the following present:

Doug Sethness, Director
Joseph Olive, Director
John Varela, Director

Staff: Jennifer Urban, General Manager
Ignacio Granado Jr., Crew Foreman

ANNOUNCE QUORUM & CALL TO ORDER

Doug Sethness called the meeting to order at 11:00 A.M.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public present.

MINUTES

MOTION: On Motion by Joseph Olive and seconded by John Varela, the District approved the regular minutes of October 25, 2022.

FACILITIES – MAINTENANCE, IMPROVEMENTS & PROJECTS

Ignacio Granado presented the field report dated November 14, 2022 which included an update on the latest round through the system, a progress update on Alonzo St. cleanup (hauled 8 loads of brush off to clear a path of entry), a compressor repair, and the need for a new weed eater due to a cracked block. Additionally, the new grasshopper mower has been received and Ryan Rodriguez has reached his 90-day evaluation period. Future projects include finishing Alonzo St. towards highway 72 and clearing trees throughout the system. Ignacio presented photos of progress in the system, the damaged weed eater, and the new mower.

GM REPORT

Jennifer Urban presented the GM report including the following updates: TCEQ approval of the district name change as of 10/24/22 which will be published in the paper by 11/24/22 along with an explanation of the reason for the name change. GM attended the Local Emergency Planning Committee meeting and inquired with Sheriff Bowen the process the county uses to close roads

during an emergency event, discussed information gathered from the National Hydraulic Warning Council conference regarding hardware options and uses of early flood warning systems, received construction permit report from the City of Cuero and inspected 5 listed properties, received advisement from TWDB regarding grant extension after June 30, 2023 and the option of 90% grant options for H&H (hydrologic & hydraulic) studies, notices left at 3 properties without silt fencing and trash collection, office manager candidate interviews, scheduling a tour of the Lavaca Navidad River Authority Early Flood Warning System, GM and Board President meeting with Public Management to kickoff grant administration services, Union Pacific demo permit pending to remove bridges from Main Channel, the City of Cuero will be discussing installing a concrete trench on Third St. in the coming week.

ENGINEERING

No discussion.

GRANT UPDATES

RFQ for Engineering Services will be posted in the Cuero Record in the November 16, 2022 issue with a deadline for submission of November 30, 2022 at 4:00 PM.

DIRECTOR ACTIVITY LOG

3rd Quarter activity log for Joseph Olive was reviewed and approved.

DISTRICT NAME CHANGE

The official approved letter from TCEQ was received and the notice of name change for the Cuero Record was reviewed.

DIRECTOR APPOINTMENTS TERM 2023-2025*

*correction: Agenda stated 2022-2024. Re-appointment letters were signed for all three current directors.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

GM presented the following financial statements to the Board:

Balance Sheet dated November 08, 2022, showing:

Current Assets of:	\$345,419.34
Current Liabilities of:	\$12,148.93

Profit & Loss for November 08, 2022, showing:

Total Income:	\$137,872.26
Total Expense:	\$24,360.86

Transaction List by Date October 19, 2022 through November 08, 2022

MOTION: On Motion by Joseph Olive, and seconded by John Varela, the District approved the above financial reports.

In accordance with Texas Government Code §551.071 to discuss contemplated litigation and §551.074 to discuss personnel matters, the district entered an executive session at 12:02 P.M.

EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 12:16 P.M.

No action was taken.

PERSONNEL MATTERS

No action taken.

REGIONAL FLOOD PLANNING GROUP

No action taken.

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING(S)

MOTION: On Motion by Doug Sethness and seconded by John Varela the next board meeting was set for Monday, December 12, 2022, at 11:00 A.M.

ADJOURN

MOTION: On Motion by Joseph Olive and second by John Varela, the District adjourned the meeting at 12:18 P.M.

Sincerely,

SEAL HERE

Doug Sethness
Director

Jennifer Urban
General Manager

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CERTIFIED AGENDA OF CLOSED SESSION NOVEMBER 14, 2022 – Regular Meeting

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The Presiding Director announced at the beginning of the closed session: "Green DeWitt Drainage District will now go into Executive Session, in accordance with Texas Government Code §551.071 to discuss contemplated litigation and §551.074 to discuss personnel matters, at 12:02 P.M."

Directors present were Doug Sethness, Joseph Olive, and John Varela.

Subjects Discussed in the Session Closed to the Public:

1. Contemplated Litigation
2. Personnel Matters

The Presiding Director announced at the end of the closed session: "Green DeWitt Drainage District is now out of Executive Session at 12:16 P.M."

Record of Further Action Taken, if Any, on Items Listed Above Items in the Subsequent Open Session:
No Action Taken

CERTIFICATE: I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of the closed session proceedings of the DeWitt County Drainage District No. 1 on the 12th day of DECEMBER 2022.

Presiding Director (signature)

Presiding Director (print name)

DeWitt County Drainage District No. 1 (the District) may convene into executive (closed) session in accordance with the Texas Government Code when necessary and legally justified. Any item on this agenda may be discussed in executive session if authorized by Texas Law regardless of whether it is listed under "Executive Session" of this agenda, and regardless of any past or current practice of the District. Executive sessions herein are closed meetings, and may include the consideration of any item otherwise listed on the agenda plus any subject matter specified in the executive session notice, and may include items under the Texas Government Code as follows: Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney regarding contemplated or pending litigation, a settlement offer or administrative hearing); Section 551.072 (Deliberation regarding real property); Section 551.073 (Deliberation about gifts and donations); Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters); and Section 551.076 (Deliberation about Security Devices).