

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
GALVESTON COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1
REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Monday, January 17, 2023

2320 Falco Street

Dickinson, Texas

5:00 p.m.

The Board of Directors of Galveston County Water Control & Improvement District No. 1 of Galveston County, in Dickinson, Texas, met in a regular session, open to the public, on January 17, 2023, at 2320 Falco Street, Dickinson, Texas, thereof, and the roll was called of the duly constituted officers and members of the board, to wit:

Ron Morales	President	Present
Shamarion M. Barber	Vice President	Present
Doreen E. Bridges	Secretary-Treasurer	Present
John W. Mitchiner	Director	Present
Jeffrey Spriggins	Director	Present

Also, present were: General Manager Ivan Langford; Keith Morgan; Aurora Amaro; Laura Garza; Nancy Click; Dylan Caldwell; and Angela Maloney of Galveston County W.C.I.D. No. 1; Ryan Nokelby, PE of HDR Engineering, Inc.; Scott Bounds, Attorney of Olson & Olson LLP; Justin K. Hicks, Attorney of Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP; James F. Gilley, Jr. of U.S. Capital Advisors LLC; Alyssa Saccomen of McCall Gibson Swedlund Barfoot PLLC; Kathy Thomas of Community Strategies LLC; and Corey Magliolo of Guzzetta Benefit Services

Guest(s): Rev. William King; John Ovalle; and Officer Tony Valdez.

CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE A QUORUM IS PRESENT

The meeting was called to order by President Morales at 5:00 p.m. All said members were in attendance, and a quorum was established by Secretary-Treasurer Bridges.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice President Barber led those present in prayer. Director Mitchiner led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the Texas Flag.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS (Time Limit: 5 minutes per speaker)

There were no Citizens' Comments.

CONSENT AGENDA/APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. **Discuss and take action on approval of payments of Directors' Per Diem requests for December 2022.**
2. **Discuss and take action on approval of minutes for the Regular Board Meeting of December 19, 2022.**
3. **Discuss and take action to approve Invoice No. 10 from HDR Engineering, Inc. for the General Land Office (GLO) CDBG Mitigation Grant Project (Contract #22-085-035-D279) in the amount of 45,800.00.**

A motion was made by Director Mitchiner and seconded by Vice President Barber to approve the consent agenda, payment of Directors' per diem requests for December, 2022, minutes for the Regular Board Meeting of December 19, 2022, and to approve Invoice No. 10 from HDR Engineering, Inc. for the General Land Office (GLO) CDBG Mitigation Grant Project (Contract #22-085-035-D279) in the amount of \$45,800.00. The motion passed unanimously.

REGULAR AGENDA/OTHER BUSINESS

4. **Presentation by Mr. Corey Magliolo with Guzzetta Benefit Services on employee health benefits.**

Mr. Corey Magliolo with Guzzetta Benefit Services made a presentation on employee health benefits. Mr. Magliolo answered the Board of Directors' questions and concerns.

There was no action taken.

5. **Discuss and take action to accept the Fiscal Year 2022 Annual Financial Report and Audit Report as presented by McCall Gibson Swedlund Barfoot, PLLC.**

Ms. Alyssa Saccomen of McCall Gibson Swedlund Barfoot, PLLC presented the Annual Financial Report/Independent Auditor's Report as of and for the year ending September 30, 2022. She reviewed the 2021-22 Audit Report and went over the financial highlights. Ms. Saccomen answered the Board of Directors' questions and concerns.

A motion was made by Secretary-Treasurer Bridges and seconded by Vice President Barber to approve the Audit Report as presented by McCall Gibson Swedlund Barfoot, PLLC. The motion passed unanimously.

6. **Discuss and take action to approve the annual meetings and events calendar for February 1, 2023 through January 31, 2024.**

A motion was made by Director Mitchiner and seconded by Secretary-Treasurer Bridges to approve the Annual Meetings and Events Calendar for February 1, 2023 through January 31, 2024. The motion passed unanimously.

7. Discuss and take action to approve revised Policy on District Disaster Declarations.

General Manager Ivan Langford discussed and reviewed the revised Policy on District Disaster Declarations. General Manager Langford answered the Board of Directors' questions and concerns.

A motion was made by Director Mitchiner and seconded by Vice President Barber to approve the revised Policy on District Disaster Declarations. The motion passed unanimously.

8. Discuss and take action to adopt Order No. 2023-01 Order Calling a Bond Election on Saturday, May 6, 2023; and making other provisions for the holding of the election.

Discutir y tomar medidas para adoptar la Orden No. 2023-01 Orden de Convocatoria de Elecciones de Bonos el sábado 6 de mayo de 2023; y adoptar otras disposiciones para la celebración de las elecciones.

A motion was made by Secretary-Treasurer Bridges and seconded by Director Spriggins to adopt Order No. 2023-01 Order Calling a Bond Election on Saturday, May 6, 2023, and making other provisions for the holding of the election. The motion passed unanimously.

9. Discuss and take action to adopt Resolution No. 2023-01 Authorizing Contract for Election Services by and between Galveston County, Texas and Galveston County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1.

Discutir y tomar medidas para adoptar la Resolución No. 2023-01 que autoriza el Contrato para Servicios Electorales por y entre el Condado de Galveston, Texas y el Distrito No. 1 de Control y Mejorar del Agua del Condado de Galveston.

A motion was made by Vice President Barber and seconded by Director Spriggins to adopt Resolution No. 2023-01 Authorizing Contract for Election Services by and between Galveston County, Texas and Galveston County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Discuss and take action to set canvassing date for the May 6, 2023 Election.

Discutir y tomar medidas para establecer la fecha de escrutinio para las elecciones del 6 de mayo de 2023.

A motion was made by Director Mitchiner and seconded by Vice President Barber to approve setting the canvassing date for the May 6, 2023 Election to May 15, 2023 at

5:00 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Discuss and take action to adopt Resolution No. 2023-02 regarding the annual review of the Investment Policy of Galveston County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1.

A motion was made by Vice President Barber and seconded by Secretary-Treasurer Bridges to adopt Resolution No. 2023-02 regarding the annual review of the Investment Policy of Galveston County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Discuss and take action to accept the annual Disclosure Statements required under the Public Funds Investment Act for Investment Officers and Bookkeeper, to be filed with the Texas Ethics Commission.

A motion was made by Vice President Barber and seconded by Director Spriggins to accept the annual Disclosure Statements required under the Public Funds Investment Act for Investment Officers and Bookkeeper, to be filed with the Texas Ethics Commission. The motion passed unanimously.

13. Discuss and review Bond Project Updates; on-going Engineering and Construction Projects.

Mr. Ryan Nokelby, PE of HDR Engineering, Inc., updated the Board of Directors concerning the on-going Bond Projects and on-going Engineering and Construction Projects for the month of December. Mr. Nokelby answered the Board of Directors' questions and concerns.

There was no action taken.

14. Hear Reports from Legal Counsel - Olson & Olson LLP.

Mr. Scott Bounds, our Legal Counsel, reported that the Texas Legislature convened into regular session on January 10, 2023. One proposed bill is to move the May election date from the first Saturday in May to the fourth Tuesday in May; another proposed bill is to place a 5% cap on property taxes.

There was no action taken.

15. Receive Monthly Reports & Investment Report

- a. Financial Report & Investment Report
- b. Monthly Tax Report
- c. Galveston County Health District - Monthly Report
- d. Thomas S. Mackey Water Treatment Plant – Monthly Report
- e. Utility Plants Update / Wastewater Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) / Monthly Water Operating Report

Staff Reports

- Human Resources Report
- Safety Report
- Field Operations Report
- Plant Operations Report

Financial Accountant Laura Garza reviewed the Financial Report for the month of December, 2022. Ms. Garza answered the Board of Directors' questions and concerns. There was no action taken.

Department Heads and staff reviewed and discussed their monthly reports. There was no action taken.

Convene into executive session to discuss personnel matters pursuant to Open Meetings Act section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code and/or section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code for consultation with attorney for pending or contemplated litigation, and/or section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code for deliberations about real property and/or sections 551.076 and 551.088, deliberation regarding security audits.

Re-convene into open session and authorize any necessary action concerning personnel matters and/or pending or contemplated litigation and/or deliberations about real property and/or sections 551.076 and 551.088, deliberations regarding security audits.

16. Discuss and take action on item(s) from Executive Session.

There was no action taken.

CLOSING COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/RECOGNITION

There were no public announcements and/or recognition.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.


Secretary for the Board of Directors