HARRIS COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 70

Minutes of Meeting of Board of Directors August 3, 2016

The Board of Directors ("Board") of Harris County Water Control and Improvement District No. 70 ("District") met at 2935 Foley Road, Crosby, Harris County, Texas 77532 on August 3, 2016, in accordance with the duly posted notice of said meeting, with a quorum of Directors present, as follows:

Nora Caufield, President Kenneth Michael Higgins, Vice President Randall Keith Adams, Assistant Secretary

and the following absent:

Steve Kimes, Secretary.

Also present were Eddie Robinson, Pam Graham, Bob Ideus, Josh Rambo, and G. Taylor Goodall, Jr.

The President called the meeting to order and declared it open for such business as might regularly come before it.

- 1. The Board considered the minutes of the meeting held on July 6, 2016. After a brief review and discussion, upon motion made by Director Higgins, seconded by Director Adams, the Board unanimously approved the minutes as presented.
- 2. At 6:31 p.m., the Board entered into executive session to discuss recent items associated with District security matters. At 6:35 p.m., the Board exited executive session. Upon motion made by Director Higgins, seconded by Director Adams, the Board moved to no longer allow use of the District office building by the Civic League due to recent concerns regarding security measures. The Board instructed Mr. Goodall to draft a letter to the Civic League informing them of the decision.
- 3. The Board considered appointment of a new director. The matter was tabled until September allowing for Director Kimes to have input on the matter.
- 4. The Board considered the tax assessor/collector's report, copy attached. The District's 2015 taxes are 97.6% collected. After a brief review and discussion, upon motion made by Director Adams, seconded by Director Higgins, the Board unanimously approved the tax assessor/collector's report as presented and authorized issuance of the checks listed therein.
- 5. In the absence of Don Guillory, Eddie Robinson presented the operator's report, copy attached. There was discussion regarding the need to move forward with a water plant fence repair and tree removal, and Mr. Robinson reviewed the written report with the Board. Subject to that discussion, upon motion by Director Adams, seconded by Director Higgins, the Board unanimously authorized moving forward with the fence repair and tree removal, and approved the operator's report as presented.

- 6. The Board considered the fiscal year end 2017 budget. The Board reviewed the draft budget with Mr. Ideus, and after discussion, upon motion made by Director Higgins, seconded by Director Adams, the Board unanimously approved the attached Resolution Adopting the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year Ending August 31, 2017 as presented.
- 7. The Board then considered engagement of an auditor to perform the audit for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2016. Josh Rambo of McCall Gibson Swedlund Barfoot, PLLC presented a proposal to perform the audit. Mr. Rambo noted that the proposed engagement would be evergreen in nature to avoid annual costs associated with compliance with HB 1295. The engagement would be subject to termination with 30 days' notice with or without cause. Director Sharp asked the auditor to attach an hourly rate schedule to the proposal to perform the audit, and the auditor confirmed that this information would be provided. After discussion, upon motion made by Director Higgins, seconded by Director Adams, the Board unanimously approved engagement of McCall Gibson Swedlund Barfoot, PLLC to perform the audit.
- 8. Bob Ideus presented the bookkeeper's report, copy attached. The Board instructed Mr. Ideus to withhold payment of the engineer's invoice until Mr. Ideus can confirm with Don Guillory that the work was performed as described in the invoice. After further review and discussion, upon motion made by Director Adams, seconded by Director Higgins, the Board unanimously approved the bookkeeper's report as presented and authorized issuance of the checks listed therein.
- 9. Pam Graham presented the billing and collections report, copy attached. The District collected \$32,351.67 during the month. After a brief review and discussion, upon motion by Director Higgins, seconded by Director Adams, the Board unanimously approved the report as presented.
- 10. Eddie Robinson distributed an engineer's status report as prepared by the District engineers. After a brief review and discussion, upon motion made by Director Higgins, seconded by Director Adams, the Board unanimously approved the engineer's report as presented.
- 11. The Board considered public comments. Ms. Adams inquired about the overgrown lot next to the park, and Director Caufield noted that the owner is on the premises and the District is limited in their ability to address the matter as such issues are normally under the authority of the Civic League and/or Harris County.

Bobby Crippens requested that a sign-in sheet be distributed at each meeting and attached to the District minutes.

Eddie Robinson noted that he continues to have issues with a complaining customer and the Board instructed him to inform the customer that he is welcome to attend the Board meeting to discuss the matter before the Board.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary		