

MINUTES
FORT BEND SUBSIDENCE DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
IN PERSON AND VIA AUDIO/VIDEO CONFERENCE
October 27, 2021
3:00 P.M.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT: Jay Anderson, Bob DeForest, Mark Gehringer, Himesh Gandhi, Linda Harnist, Morris Mitchell, Richard Morrison, Jon Strange, Lawrence Vaccaro, William Wallace, Gene Walton, B. T. Williams, and Greg Wine.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ABSENT: Quart Graves, Stan Steele, and Benny Wleczyk.

STAFF PRESENT: Michael Turco, Robert Thompson, Greg Ellis, Laura Kacal, Wanda Sebesta, Tina Peterson, and Dylan Jones.

PRESIDING: Greg Wine, Chairman.

Chairman Wine called the meeting to order in the sixth-floor meeting room of the Wm. B. Travis Building, in Richmond Texas. The meeting was held remotely and in person. Roll was called and Chairman Wine announced the presence of a quorum.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. Mr. Gehringer led the pledges of allegiance.

OATH OF OFFICE

3. The Oath of Office was administered to Mr. Gandhi and Mr. Walton.

COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

4. There were no comments from members of the public.
 - 4.1 Members of the public present were Brian Butscher and Merritt Nolte-Roth, with the City of Sugar Land, and Matt Froehlich and Christina Miller, with the North Ft. Bend Water Authority,

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

5. Mr. Strange moved that the minutes of the regular meeting, September 22, 2021, be approved; it was seconded by Mr. Williams. Chairman Wine called for objections, and hearing none, Chairman Wine announced the motion carried unanimously.

5.1 Mr. Morrison now present.

RECEIVE HEARING EXAMINER'S REPORT AND CONSIDER GRANTING, DENYING OR AMENDING APPLICATIONS FOR WATER WELL PERMITS HEARD AT THE OCTOBER 7, 2021, HEARING

6. Mr. Thompson presented the Hearing Examiner's Report from the October 7, 2021, Hearing. (Exhibit #1).

6.1 Mr. Strange moved to approve the Hearing Examiner's Report from the October 7, 2021, Hearing; it was seconded by Mr. DeForest. Chairman Wine called for objections, and hearing none, Chairman Wine announced the motion carried unanimously.

EMERGENCY APPROVAL

7. Mr. Thompson stated that Emergency Approval had been granted by the General Manager for Ft. Bend Co. FWSD #2.

7.1. Mr. Gehringer moved to ratify the action taken by the General Manager granting Emergency Approval to Ft. Bend Co. FWSD #2; it was seconded by Mr. Wallace. Chairman Wine called for objections, and hearing none, Chairman Wine announced the motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION SETTING THE BOARD MEETING DATES FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2021

8. Mr. Turco reviewed the resolution setting the board meeting dates for November and December, 2021.

CAPTION

RESOLUTION SETTING THE BOARD MEETING DATES FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER, 2021

(This resolution is of record in Resolution Book V1 of the Fort Bend Subsidence District being Resolution 21-441.)

- 8.1 Mr. Strange moved to approve Resolution 21-441 setting the Board meeting dates for November to November 17, 2021, and December to December 15, 2021; it was seconded by Mr. Anderson. Chairman Wine called for objections, and hearing none, Chairman Wine announced the motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION FROM THE CITY OF SUGAR LAND REGARDING THEIR INTEGRATED WATER RESOURCE PLAN, PROGRESS OF THEIR GROUNDWATER REDUCTION PLAN IMPLEMENTATION, AND THE IMPACT TO SUBSIDENCE

9. Mr. Brian Butscher gave the presentation from the City of Sugar Land regarding their integrated water resource plan, progress of their Groundwater Reduction Plan implementation, and the impact to subsidence. Discussion followed.

BRIEFING FROM DISTRICT STAFF ON THE JOINT REGULATORY PLAN REVIEW

10. Dr. Peterson updated the Board on the status of the Joint Regulatory Plan Review.

BREIFING FROM DISTRICT STAFF ON THE MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT

11. Mr. Turco gave an overview of the monthly financial report.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

12. Mr. Turco updated the Board on pertinent operational and management issues that the District, its employees, or consultants have encountered since the last regular Board meeting.

CONSULTATION WITH THE GENERAL COUNSEL ON RECENT LITIGATION AND GROUNDWATER ISSUES

13. Mr. Ellis updated the Board on recent litigation and groundwater issues.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.

BY: 
Chairman

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'D. L. Williams', written over a horizontal line.

Secretary