

MINUTES
FORT BEND SUBSIDENCE DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
December 12, 2023
1:00 P.M.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT: J.M. Dinges, John Dorman, Mark Gehringer, Linda Harnist, Camron Miller, Morris Mitchell, Allen Owen, C. Michael Scherer, Stan Steele, Jon Strange, Lawrence Vaccaro, William Wallace, B. T. Williams, and Greg Wine.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ABSENT: Jay D. Anderson, Melony Gay, and Richard Morrison.

STAFF PRESENT: Michael Turco, Robert Thompson, Dylan Jones, Ashley Greuter, Veronica Osegueda, Shauna Sledge, Casey Hughes, Vivian Jones, Lizz Giglio, and Noe Veldanez.

PRESIDING: Greg Wine, Chairman.

- A. **CALL TO ORDER.** Chairman Wine called the regular meeting of the Board Directors to order at 1:00 PM and noted the presence of a quorum.
- B. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- C. **ACCEPT COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.** Members of the public present were Christina Miller and Matt Froelich with the North Fort Bend Water Authority, Philip Huseman with Odyssey Engineering, and Joe Reyes with the City of Richmond. No comments were made.
- D. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING, October 25, 2023.** Mr. Strange moved that the minutes of the regular meeting be approved; it was seconded by Mr. Wallace. Chairman Wine put the question and, after the vote, announced the motion carried unanimously.
- E. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD BUDGET WORKSHOP, October 25, 2023.** Ms. Harnist moved that the minutes of the Board Budget Workshop be approved; it was seconded by Mr. Strange. Chairman Wine put the question and, after the vote, announced the motion carried unanimously.
- F. **HEARING EXAMINERS REPORT.** Mr. Thompson presented the Hearing Examiner's Report from the November 2, 2023, Hearing. Mr. Strange moved to approve the Hearing Examiner's Report from the November 2, 2023, Hearing; it was seconded by Mr.

Gehring. Chairman Wine put the question and, after the vote, announced the motion carried unanimously.

- G. EMERGENCY APPROVALS. Mr. Thompson stated that an emergency approval had been granted by the General Manager to Alsay Water. Mr. Mitchell moved to ratify the action taken by the General Manager in granting emergency approval to Alsay Water; it was seconded by Mr. Miller. Chairman Wine put the question and, after the vote, announced the motion carried unanimously.
- H. RESOLUTION ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE FORT BEND SUBSIDENCE DISTRICT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2024, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024. Mr. Turco presented an overview of the 2024 proposed budget. Mr. Strange moved that the Resolution for the Budget be approved; it was seconded by Mr. Miller. Chairman Wine put the question and, after the vote announced the motion carried unanimously. (This resolution is of record in the Fort Bend Subsidence District being Resolution No. 23-472.)
- I. RESOLUTION AMENDING THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE HARRIS-GALVESTON SUBSIDENCE DISTRICT. Mr. Turco presented the resolution amending the Interlocal Agreement with Harris- Galveston Subsidence District. Mr. Strange moved that the Resolution Amending the Interlocal Agreement with the Harris- Galveston Subsidence District be approved; it was seconded by Ms. Harnist. Chairman Wine put the question and after the vote announced the motion carried unanimously. (This resolution is of record in the Fort Bend Subsidence District being Resolution 23-473.)
- J. RESOLUTION AUTHOIUZING THE EXECUTION OF A JOINT-FUNDIING AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY TO PROVIDE FOR A COOPERATIVE RESEARCH PROGRAM FOR THE COLLECTION AND PUBLICATION OF WATER RESOURCE AND SUBSIDENCE DATA FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024; AND AUTHOIUZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS. Mr. Turco presented the resolution for the United States Geological Survey Joint-Funding Agreement. Mr. Miller moved that the Joint-Funding Agreement be approved; it was seconded by Mr. Gehring. Chairman Wine put the question and, after the vote announced the motion carried unanimously. (This resolution is of record in the Fort Bend Subsidence District being Resolution 23-474.)
- K. RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR ROBERT E. THOMPSON RECOGNIZING HIS 34 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE DISTRICT. Chairman Wine reviewed the Resolution of Commendation for Robert E. Thompson Recognizing his 34 Years of Dedicated Service to the District. Mr. Steele moved that the Resolution of Commendation for Robert E. Thompson Recognizing his 34 Years of Dedicated Service to the District be approved; it was seconded by Mr. Gehring.

Chairman Wine put the question and after the vote announced the motion carried unanimously. (This resolution is of record in the Fort Bend Subsidence District being Resolution 23-475.)

- L. BRIEFING FROM DISTRICT STAFF ON THE JOINT REGULATORY PLAN REVIEW. Mr. Turco updated the Board on the status of the Joint Regulatory Plan Review.
- M. BRIEFING FROM DISTRICT STAFF ON THE MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT. Mr. Turco gave an overview of the monthly financial report.
- N. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT. 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.
- O. EXECUTIVE SESSION. The Board of Directors went into executive session at 1:55 p.m. The Board of Directors returned from executive session at 2:07 p.m.
- P. CONSIDER A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. Mr. Strange moved that the Settlement Agreement with Wells Fargo Bak, N.A. be accepted; it was seconded by Mr. Miller. Chairman Wine put the question and after the vote announced the motion carried unanimously.
- Q. CONSULTATION WITH THE GENERAL COUNSEL ON RECENT LITIGATION AND GROUDWATER ISSUES. Ms. Sledge updated the Board on recent litigation and groundwater issues.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED at 2:17 P.M.

BY: B. J. Williams

Chairman

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Secretary