# MINUTES Of the Regular Board Meeting conducted on June 15, 2020

Take notice that a Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Directors of Hidalgo County Irrigation District Number Six was held at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, June 15, 2020, at the Hidalgo County Irrigation District Number Six office located at 3735 N. FM 492, Mission, Texas 78574.

1) The meeting was called to order by Ms. Diana Izaguirre at 1:05 p.m., June 15, 2020, at which time Ms. Izaguirre acknowledged the presence of the Elected Members of the Board of Hidalgo County Irrigation District No. Six.

### Members present included:

Ms. Diana Izaguirre, President

Mr. Santana Gutierrez, Vice-President

Dr. Roberto Zamora, Director (video online) (left at 2:54 p.m.)

Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza, Director (video online)

## Member not present:

Mr. Brandon Thompson, Secretary

#### Also, present included:

Mr. Rene Flores, Interim General Manager, HCID#6

Ms. Deborah Cordova, Attorney at Law, HCID#6

Ms. Minnie Mueller, Assistant, HCID#6

A quorum of the members of the Hidalgo County Irrigation District No. Six being present, the meeting was duly convened. The Pledge of Allegiance followed by Invocation was presented by Ms. Diana Izaguirre, HCID#6 President.

- 2) Recognition of visitors and public comments.
- 3) Certification of Posting for the Board Meeting.

Interim General Manager confirmed that the Certification of the Board Meeting was posted at the Hidalgo County Court House, HCID#6 lobby and the place convenient to the public in the bulletin board at HCID#6, 3735 N FM 492, Mission, Texas 78572 at 11:50 a.m., June 10, 2020.

#### 4) Minutes

a) Approval of Minutes for the Regular Meeting of May 18, 2020.

Mr. Santana Gutierrez made a motion and seconded by Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting of May 18, 2020.

Motion carried unanimously.

b) Approval of Minutes for the Special Meeting of June 8, 2020.

Mr. Santana Gutierrez made a motion and seconded by Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza to approve the minutes for the Special Meeting of June.8, 2020, contingent to the correction mentioned by Assistant.

Motion carried unanimously.

 Discuss and consider an update by Isauro Trevino of South Texas Grant Writing Service.

Mr. Isauro Trevino notified Board Members he was unable to submit the USDA grant application since federal offices were shut down due to the pandemic and just reopened this month. He has been in contact with the Department since then and expects a response next month. Board Members requested Mr. Trevino to provide a list of what he has been working on for HCID#6 including time frames. He stated he

will provide a detailed list and a cost estimate on the mechanical dredging of the pond since chemicals and carp fish have not been effective.

No action on this item.

 Discuss and consider a request made by *Texas Department of Transportation* regarding FM 2221 conflict (standpipe) located West La Homa and North 107, Hidalgo County, Texas.

Mr. Ruben James de Jesus notified Board Members, Texas Department of Transportation is reviewing the HCID#6 itemized list proposal emailed to them and is awaiting response.

No action on this item.

 Discuss and consider the 2018 fiscal year audit performed by Oscar R. Gonzalez, CPA & Associates, PLLC.

The Board of Directors moved this item into executive session.

#### 8) EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Santana Gutierrez made a motion for the Board of Directors to enter closed session at 1:18 p.m. and seconded by Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza to discuss item numbers 8a, 8b, 8c, 8d, 8e, 8f, 8g, 8h, 8i, 8j, 8k, and Item 7.

Motion carried unanimously.

- a) Discussion on audit and audit procedure.
- b) Discussion regarding a water delivery contract by and between HCID#6 and IOC Company, LLC.
- c) Discussion regarding the transition of *Interim General Manager*, Rene Flores and the hiring of a HCID#6 General Manager.
- d) Discussion regarding a request made by *Texas Land Professionals* on behalf of the *Texas Department of Transportation* for the proposed partial taking of a tract of land being a 1.221 acre (53,187 sq. ft.) parcel of land located in the Dionisio Ramirez Survey, Abstract No. 563, Porcion 78, Hidalgo County, Texas and being out of a called 9.41 acre tract conveyed to Hidalgo County Water Control and Improvement District No.6, a public corporation by the Right-of-Way Deed dated December 29, 1928 as recorded in Volume 291, Page 247 in the Hidalgo County Deed Records (H.C.D.R.), Hidalgo County, Texas (Parcel 29)
- e) Discussion regarding a request made by *L&G Engineering*, on behalf of the *Texas Department of Transportation*, for the proposed taking of a tract of land containing 0.0842 acre (3,669 sq. ft.) situated in Hidalgo County, Texas and being out of the Nicholas Zamora Survey, A-76, Porcion 48, Hidalgo County, Texas. (*Parcel 36*)
- f) Discussion regarding Gerardo Salinas and Lyliana Salinas vs. HCID #6, Cause C-0189-19B in the 93<sup>rd</sup> Judicial District Court, Hidalgo County, Texas.
- g) Discussion regarding Joe Louis Aguilar, Sr. vs HCID#6, Cause C-1216-20-D in the 206<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court, Hidalgo County, Texas.
- h) Discussion regarding the Texas Municipal League's response related to Joe L. Aguilar vs. Diana Izaguirre, Cause C-0533-19-F in the 332<sup>nd</sup> District Court, Hidalgo County, Texas.
- Discussion regarding Martha Salinas vs. HCID#6, EEOC Charge No. 451-2020-01375.

- j) Discussion regarding Normalinda Contreras vs. HCID#6, EEOC Charge No. 451-2020-01865.
- k) Discussion regarding Aurora Villarreal vs. HCID#6, TWCCRD Charge No.: 1A19918, and EEOC Charge No. 31C-2019-00942C.
- *Item* 7. Discuss and consider the 2018 fiscal year audit performed by Oscar R. Gonzalez, CPA & Associates, PLLC.
- Mr. Santana Gutierrez made a motion for the Board of Directors to reconvene to open session at 3:11 p.m. and seconded by Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza.
- 9) Discussion and possible action regarding item(s) discussed in Closed Session.

Mr. Santana Gutierrez made a motion and seconded by Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza to take no action on item numbers 8a, 8b, 8f, 8g, 8h, 8i, 8j, and 8k.

Motion carried unanimously.

*Item 8c.* Mr. Santana Gutierrez made a motion and seconded by Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza for HCID#6 to extend an offer to Antonio Uresti for the position of General Manger at an annual salary of \$95,000.00. commencing June 29, 2020, with a six month evaluation and to have counsel prepare a letter outlining the terms of the offer.

Motion carried unanimously.

*Item 8d.* Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion and seconded by Mr. Santana Gutierrez to allow HCID#6 engineer to develop detailed plans for a bypass for Parcel 29. Board Members mentioned the Interim General Manager will be communicating with TXDOT to further discuss.

Motion carried unanimously.

*Item 8e.* Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion and seconded by Mr. Santana Gutierrez to approve the Joint Use Acknowledgement and signed sealed plans as presented by the District's engineer.

Motion carried unanimously.

Item 17. No action on this item.

10) Adjournment

Mr. Santana Gutierrez made a motion and seconded by Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza to adjourn the meeting of June 15, 2020, at 3:14 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

Diana Izaguirre, President, HCID#6

Brandon Thompson, Secretary, HCID#6