

MINUTES  
Of the Board Meeting conducted on March 15, 2021

Take notice that a Board Meeting of the Board of Directors of Hidalgo County Irrigation District No. 6 was held at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, 15, 2021, at the Hidalgo County Irrigation District No. 6 office located at 3735 N. FM 492, Mission, Texas 78574.

- 1) The meeting was called to order by Ms. Diana Izaguirre at 1:03 p.m., March 15, 2021, at which time Ms. Izaguirre acknowledged the presence of the Elected Members of the Board of Hidalgo County Irrigation District No. 6.

Members present included:

Ms. Diana Izaguirre, President (video online)  
Mr. Santana Gutierrez, Vice-President  
Dr. Roberto Zamora, Director (video online)  
Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza, Director (video online)  
Mr. Brandon Thompson, Secretary (video online) (arrived at 1:11 p.m.)

Also, present included:

Dr. Antonio Uresti, General Manager, HCID No. 6  
Mr. Rene Flores, Chief Financial Officer, HCID No. 6 (video online) (arrived at 1:35 p.m.)  
Ms. Deborah Cordova, Attorney at Law, HCID No. 6 (video online)  
Ms. Minnie Mueller, Assistant, HCID No. 6  
Mr. Isauro Trevino, South Texas Grant Writing Services  
Mr. Ruben James De Jesus, Engineer, HCID No. 6  
Mr. Jose Hanza, Commercial Sales, Self-Reliant Solar  
Mr. Walter Reyna, Walter Reyna, Inc. (video online)

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

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

General Manager confirmed that the Certification of the Board Meeting was posted at the Hidalgo County Court House, HCID No. 6 lobby and the place convenient to the public in the bulletin board at HCID No. 6, 3735 N FM 492, Mission, Texas 78572 at 12:58 p.m., March 10, 2021.

4) Manager's Items:

- a) Walter Reyna – Fiduciary Guidance - presentation
- b) Jose Hanza - Solar Power Presentation
- c) United States Department of Agriculture – Moorefield Visit

Item numbers 4a, 4b, 4c, will be discussed in a workshop.

5) Minutes

- a) Approval of Minutes for the Special Meeting of November 02, 2020.
- b) Approval of Minutes for the Special Meeting of November 09, 2020.
- c) Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting of November 18, 2020.
- d) Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting of December 16, 2020.
- e) Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting of December 21, 2020.

f) Approval of Minutes for Special Meeting of December 22, 2020.

Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion and seconded by Mr. Santana Gutierrez to approve item numbers 5a, 5b, 5c, 5d, 5e, 5f.

Motion carried unanimously.

- 6) Discuss and consider the approval of amending HCID No. 6 Employee Handbook to include an Inclement Weather Policy.

General Manager introduced an inclement weather policy to Board Members to consider when bad weather leads to total shut down of HCID No. 6. Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion and seconded by Mr. Brandon Thompson to table this item at this time.

Motion carried unanimously.

- 7) Discuss and consider a request made by Mr. Onefre Rios & Ma De Lourdes to address the Board of Directors regarding assessments, penalties and interest owed, being 5.68 acres out of Bentsen Groves Lot #108S. **(FR:8752)**

***The Board of Directors moved this item into executive session.***

- 8) Discuss and consider a request made by Mr. Pedro Ochoa to address the Board of Directors regarding assessments, penalties and interest owed, being 9.0 acres out of Los Ejidos Subdivision, Lot #16, Hidalgo County. **(FR:5451)**

***The Board of Directors moved this item into executive session.***

- 9) Discuss and consider authorizing General Manager, Dr. Antonio Uresti, Investment Officer, to invest Texas Regional Bank Certificate of Deposit funds as authorized by HCID No. 6 Investment Policy and as governed by Subchapter A, Chapter 2256 of the Texas, Government Code (Public Funds Investment Act).

General Manager informed Board Members of Certificate of Deposit maturing April 20, 2021, and recommended that the CD be transferred to Texas Regional Bank, HCID No. 6, Money Market account. Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion and seconded by Mr. Brandon Thompson to transfer CD funds plus interest to Texas Regional Bank, HCID No. 6, Money Market account.

Motion carried unanimously.

- 10) Discuss and consider a request made by ***Salinas Engineering and Associates***, on behalf of James Keller regarding the review and exclusion of ***Greenley Acres Subdivision*** being a 3.20-acre tract of land, more or less, out of lot 14, Block 3, amended map of the Goodwin Tract Subdivisions No.1 and No. 2, Hidalgo County, Texas, as per the map or plat thereof recorded in Volume 08, Pages 2A & 3, Map Records of Hidalgo County, Texas.

HCID No. 6 engineer presented Greenley Acres Subdivision plat indicating a 10-foot easement and recommended Board Members request a 15-foot easement from developer.

***The Board of Directors moved this item into executive session.***

- 11) Discuss and consider the proposals to engage a ***CPA*** firm for the 2020 fiscal year audit.

General Manager presented three proposals received by HCID No. 6 from Adrian Webb, CPA, Guillermo Reyna, CPA, Oscar R. Gonzalez, CPA.

***The Board of Directors moved this item into executive session.***

12) **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion and seconded by Mr. Brandon Thompson to enter to closed session at 1:40 p.m. to discuss item numbers 7, 8, 10, 11, 12a, 12b, 12c, 12d, 12e, 12f, 12g, and 12h.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

- a) Discussion on audit and audit procedure.
- b) Discussion regarding **IOC** contract renewal proposals.
- c) Discussion regarding the employment of HCID No. 6, Chief Financial Officer, Rene Flores.
- d) Discussion regarding the Revocable License for Limited Access to the Walker Lake Reservoir by and between **HCID No. 6 and Walker Lake Homeowners Association, Inc.**
- e) Discussion regarding the Revocable License for Limited Access to Walker Lake Reservoir by and between **HCID No. 6 and The Coves Homeowners, Inc.**
- f) Discussion regarding In re **Frontera Holdings LLC, et al.**, Case No. 20-30354, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas (Houston Division).
- g) Discussion regarding **Joe Louis Aguilar, Sr. vs HCID No. 6**, Cause C-1216-20-D in the 206<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court, Hidalgo County, Texas.
- h) Discussion regarding **Martha Salinas vs. HCID No. 6**, EEOC Charge No. 451-2020- 01375.
- i) Discussion regarding **Normalinda Contreras vs. HCID No. 6**, EEOC Charge No. 451-2020-01865.
- j) Discussion regarding **Hidalgo County, Texas vs. Dionicio Garza, Jr.; Bank of America, NA, as Judgement Holder; and HCID No. 6, as Easement Holder**, Cause No. CC5—0570-E.
- k) Discussion regarding a request made by **Sendero Acquisitions, LP.**, on behalf of the **Texas Department of Transportation**, regarding the proposed taking of a tract of land containing 0.0607 of an acre (2,645 sq. ft.) situated in the Jose Francisco De La Garza Survey, Abstract Number 579, and Porcion 52 of Hidalgo County, Texas being a portion of the Hidalgo County Irrigation District No. 6 Canal (100-foot right-of-way). (**Parcel 14**)
- l) Discussion regarding an Agreement by and between Frankhauser Farms and HCID No. 6 relating to the request made by **South Texas Infrastructure** on behalf of Frankhauser Farms, regarding **Las Comadres No. 8 Subdivision** being a 59.34-acre tract of land, more or less, out of Block 16, Texan Gardens, Hidalgo County, Texas, as per map or plat thereof recorded in Volume 8, Pages 57-58, Map Records, Hidalgo County, Texas.
- m) Discussion regarding the **Interlocal Cooperative Agreement** by and between The County of Hidalgo acting by through the **Office of Constable, Precinct #3** and Hidalgo County Irrigation District No. 6.
- n) Discussion regarding Texas Municipal League's response to claim for coverage and defense related to **Joe L. Aguilar vs. Diana Izaguirre**, Cause C-0533-19-F in the 332<sup>nd</sup> District Court, Hidalgo County, Texas.

**Item #7.** Discuss and consider a request made by Mr. Onefre Rios & Ma De Lourdes to address the Board of Directors regarding assessments, penalties and interest owed, being 5.68 acres out of Bentsen Groves Lot #108S. (FR:8752)

**Item #8** Discuss and consider a request made by Mr. Pedro Ochoa to address the Board of Directors regarding assessments, penalties and interest owed, being 9.0 acres out of Los Ejidos Subdivision, Lot #16, Hidalgo County. (FR:5451)

**Item #10** Discuss and consider a request made by *Salinas Engineering and Associates*, on behalf of James Keller, regarding the review and exclusion of **Greenley Acres Subdivision** being a 3.20 acre tract of land, more or less, out of lot 14, Block 3, amended map of the Goodwin Tract Subdivisions No.1 and No. 2, Hidalgo County, Texas, as per the map or plat thereof recorded in Volume 08, Pages 2A & 3, Map Records of Hidalgo County, Texas.

**Item #11** Discuss and consider the proposals to engage a *CPA* firm for the 2020 fiscal year audit.

**Mr. Brandon Thompson made a motion for the Board of Directors to reconvene to open session at 3:18 p.m. and seconded by Mr. Santana Gutierrez.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

13) Discussion and possible action regarding items discussed in Executive Session.

**Item 12a.** Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion and seconded by Mr. Brandon Thompson to take no action on this item.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Brandon Thompson made a motion and seconded by Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza to take no action on item numbers *12i, 12j, 12k*.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Item 12b.** Mr. Brandon Thompson made a motion and seconded by Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza to approve the renegotiation for this item.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Item 12n.** Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion and seconded by Mr. Brandon Thompson to approve the cost incurred up to date and approval of invoice contingent upon legal counsel review.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Item 10.** Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion and seconded by Mr. Santana Gutierrez to allow HCID No. 6 Engineer to determine owner interest of the line and necessity of easement on said line.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Item 12h.** Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion and seconded by Mr. Brandon Thompson to allow counsel to continue working with TML on this item.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Item 12l.** Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion and seconded by Mr. Brandon Thompson to allow General Manager to procure legal counsel to begin drafting an agreement on subject crossing.

Motion carried unanimously.

*Item 12 m.* Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion and seconded by Mr. Brandon Thompson to allow General Manager to negotiate a new agreement and solicit participation with HCID No. 6's neighboring irrigation districts.

Motion carried unanimously.

*Dr. Roberto Zamora made a motion to enter closed session at 3:22 p.m. and seconded by Mr. Santana Gutierrez to discuss item numbers 7, 8, 11, 12c, 12d, 12e, 12f, and 12g.*

*Motion carried unanimously.*

*Mr. Brandon Thompson made a motion for the Board of Directors to reconvene to open session at 4:22 p.m. and seconded by Dr. Roberto Zamora.*

*Motion carried unanimously.*

*Item 7.* Dr. Roberto Zamora made a motion and seconded by Mr. Brandon Thompson to take no action on this item.

Motion carried unanimously.

*Item 8.* Dr. Roberto Zamora made a motion and seconded by Mr. Brandon Thompson to take no action on this item.

Motion carried unanimously.

*Item 11.* Dr. Roberto Zamora made a motion and seconded by Mr. Brandon Thompson to authorize General Manager to contact Guillermo Reyna, CPA to secure their services and negotiate proposed quote.

Motion carried unanimously.

*Item 12c.* Dr. Roberto Zamora made a motion and seconded by Mr. Brandon Thompson to authorize General Manager to finalize CFO's agreement in terms of date of employment.

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Roberto Zamora made a second motion and seconded by Mr. Brandon Thompson to authorize General Manager to develop a job description and public posting of accounting position.

Motion carried unanimously.

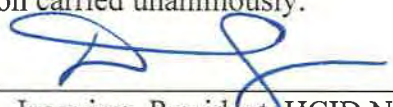
Dr. Roberto Zamora made a motion and seconded by Mr. Brandon Thompson to take no action on item numbers 12d, 12e, 12f, and 12g.

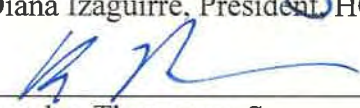
Motion carried unanimously.

#### 14) Adjournment

Mr. Brandon Thompson made a motion and seconded by Dr. Roberto Zamora to adjourn the meeting of March 15, 2021, at 4:29 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

  
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Diana Izaguirre, President, HCID No. 6

  
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Brandon Thompson, Secretary, HCID No. 6