#### **MINUTES**

# Of the Special Board Meeting conducted on February 16, 2022

Take notice that a Board Meeting of the Board of Directors of Hidalgo County Irrigation District Number Six was held at 1:00 p.m. on February 16, 2022, 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., February 16, 2022, 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 (left at 2:06 p.m.)

Mr. Santana Gutierrez, Vice-President

Dr. Roberto Zamora, Director

Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza, Director (arrived at 1:29 p.m.)

Mr. Brandon Thompson, Secretary

### Also, present included:

Dr. Antonio Uresti, General Manager, HCID No.6

Ms. Deborah Cordova, Attorney at Law, HCID No.6

Ms. Minnie Mueller, Administrative Assistant, HCID No.6

Mr. Michael Kent, Bookkeeper, HCID No.6

Mr. Arnold Salazar, Deputy, HCID No.6

Mr. Ruben James De Jesus, Engineer, HCID No.6,

Mr. Isauro Trevino, South Texas Grant Writing Services

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 Mr. Brandon Thompson, HCID No.6 Secretary.

- 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 9:07 a.m., February 11, 2022.

#### 4) Manager's Items:

a) January Internal Bank Transfers and Expenditures. Texas Regional Bank Credit Card Statement Transactions from December 09, 2021, to Jan 07,2022. Sam's Credit Card Statement from December 24, 2021, to January 23, 2022.

General Manager presented reports and pointed out activity for all Internal Bank Transfers, Expenditures, Credit Card transactions to Board Members.

b) Water Accounting System Introduction

General Manager notified Board Members of initiating an in-house record keeping of water usage and storage balance with Texas Commission Environmental Quality.

c) Monthly Calendar Planning Strategy

General Manager discussed of a strategy for organizational timelines, in creating a calendar of all departments with daily, monthly and yearly deadlines. The goal is to transfer this strategy to Google Calendar.

Discuss and consider the approval of Resolution Ordering the Election of

 (2) two HCID No.6 Board of Directors in the next scheduled election on May 7,
 2022.

Mr. Brandon Thompson made a motion and seconded by Mr. Santana Gutierrez to approve Resolution Ordering the Election of (2) two HCID No.6 Board of Directors in the next scheduled election on May 7, 2022.

Motion carried unanimously.

6) Discuss and consider the approval of Election Notice for May 7, 2022, Election.

Mr. Brandon Thompson made a motion and seconded by Mr. Santana Gutierrez to approve the Election Notice for May 7, 2022, Election, contingent on revisions recommended by legal counsel.

Motion carried unanimously.

7) Discuss and consider the approval of the Voter Designation form for the May 7, 2022 Election.

Mr. Brandon Thompson made a motion and seconded by Mr. Santana Gutierrez to approve the Voter Designation form for the May 7, 2022, Election, contingent on revisions recommended by legal counsel.

Motion carried unanimously.

8) Discuss and consider the approval of the Voter Representative Registration Letter for the May 7, 2022, Election

Mr. Brandon Thompson made a motion and seconded by Mr. Santana Gutierrez to approve the Voter Representative Registration Letter for the May 7, 2022, Election.

Motion carried unanimously.

9) Discuss and consider the approval on appointment of 2022 Election Qualified Officers: Alternate Presiding Judge, Assistant Judge, Alternate Assistant Judge, Early Voting Clerk, and Early Voting Deputy Clerk.

Mr. Brandon Thompson made a motion and seconded by Mr. Santana Gutierrez to table the appointment of 2022 Election Qualified Officers: Alternate Presiding Judge, Assistant Judge, Alternate Assistant Judge, Early Voting Clerk, and Early Voting Deputy Clerk.

Motion carried unanimously.

10) Discuss and consider the approval of payment rates for the designated judges and voting clerks for the May 7, 2022, election.

Mr. Brandon Thompson made a motion and seconded by Mr. Santana Gutierrez to approve the payment rate of \$20.00 per hour for the designated judges and voting clerks for the May 7, 2022, election.

Motion carried unanimously.

11) Discuss and consider the approval of Mail Notice of Ballot Position Drawing to candidates for the May 7, 2022, Election.

Mr. Santana Gutierrez made a motion and seconded by Mr. Brandon Thompson to approve Mail Notice of Ballot Position Drawing to candidates for the May 7, 2022, Election.

Motion carried unanimously.

12) Discuss and consider the approval of the compiled list of Eligible Voters for the May 7, 2022, Election.

Mr. Brandon Thompson made a motion and seconded by Mr. Santana Gutierrez to table the compiled list of Eligible Voters for the May 7, 2022, Election.

Motion carried unanimously.

13) Discuss and consider the approval of Qualification Affidavit for the May 7, 2022, Election.

Mr. Brandon Thompson made a motion and seconded by Mr. Santana Gutierrez to approve Qualification Affidavit for the May 7, 2022, Election.

Motion carried unanimously.

14) Discuss and consider the approval of the Application for Early Voting for the May 7, 2022, Election.

Mr. Brandon Thompson made a motion and seconded by Mr. Santana Gutierrez to approve the Application for Early Voting for the May 7, 2022, Election.

Motion carried unanimously.

15) Discuss and consider the approval of Agricultural Water Conservation Grant Resolution.

Mr. Isauro Trevino presented to Board Members the Agricultural Water Conservation Grant Resolution for the renovating of the HCID No.6 residential home. Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion and seconded by Dr. Roberto Zamora to take no action on the Agricultural Water Conservation Grant Resolution for the renovating of the HCID No.6 residential home.

Motion carried unanimously.

16) Discuss and consider the approval for a request made by General Manager to install a gate on Brushline and 5 ½ Mile Road.

Deputy Arnold Salazar informed Board Members of various criminal activities (illegal dumping, criminal trespass, stolen property, property vandalism) and recommends installing a gate and locking system to only allow access to Farmers, Precinct #3 and the District. Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion and seconded by Mr. Brandon Thompson to approve the installation of a gate on Brushline and 5 ½ Mile Road.

Motion carried unanimously.

17) Discuss and consider the approval of Aerostat employees parking in HCID No.6 property.

Deputy Arnold Salazar informed Board Members of Peraton (aerostat company) request to park inside HCID No.6 District Lake property. Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza approved the Aerostat employees parking in HCID No.6 property contingent upon a liability waiver between HCID No.6 and Peraton employees plus, reimbursement of legal and administrative costs incurred for waiver documents.

Motion carried unanimously.

18) Discuss and consider the approval of HCID No.6's Fourth Quarter Budget vs. Actual Budget.

General Manager presented a graph report from 2016-2021 to point out the positive Return of Investment outcome due to increased revenues on water

contract sales and reduced expenses. Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion and seconded by Mr. Brandon Thompson to approve HCID No.6's Fourth Quarter Budget vs. Actual Budget.

Motion carried unanimously.

19) Discuss and consider the approval of a request made by General Manager to repair 17 Head Pump and Motor(4B), 8 Head Pump and Motor (Station 3), 8 Head Pump and Motor (Lake).

General Manager presented to Board Members a matrix report of quotes submitted to HCID No.6 from various vendors for pump and motor repairs. Mr. Brandon Thompson made a motion and seconded by Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza to approve the request made by General Manager to repair 17 Head Pump and Motor(4B), 8 Head Pump and Motor (Station 3), 8 Head Pump and Motor (Lake), based on his administrative decision.

Motion carried unanimously.

20) Discuss and consider a request made by General Manager to solicit bids to commence the replacement of fluorescent lighting with LED lights for main office and shop.

General Manager introduced to Board Members a cost saving plan on LED lights including ballasts and light bulbs. Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion and seconded by Mr. Brandon Thompson to approve General Manager to solicit bids to commence the replacement of fluorescent lighting with LED lights for main office and shop.

Motion carried unanimously.

21) Adjournment.

Mr. Brandon Thompson made a motion and seconded by Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza to adjourn the meeting of February 16, 2022, at 3:31 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

Diana Izaguirre, President, HCID No.6

Brandon Thompson, Secretary, HCID No.6