

MINUTES
Of the Regular Board Meeting conducted on May 20, 2024

Take notice that a Board Meeting of the Board of Directors of Hidalgo County Irrigation District No. 6 was held at 1:30 p.m. on May 20, 2024, at the Hidalgo County Precinct 3 (Meeting Hall) located at 724 Breyfogle Road, Mission, Texas 78574.

- 1) The meeting was called to order by Ms. Diana Izaguirre at 1:39 p.m., May 20, 2024, at which time Ms. Diana 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 (stepped out at 2:26) (arrived at 2:29 p.m.)
Mr. Santana Gutierrez, Vice-President
Mr. Brandon Thompson, Secretary
Ms. Giovana Benitez, Director

Member not present:

Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza, Director

Also, present included:

Dr. Antonio Uresti, General Manager, HCID No.6
Ms. Deborah Cordova, Attorney at Law, HCID No.6
Ms. Minnie Mueller, Office Manager, HCID No.6
Ms. Carmen Garcia, Bookkeeper, HCID No.6
Mr. Juan "Chuy" Hinojosa, Texas Senator
Ms. Roxanne Garcia, Texas Senator, Assistant
Mr. Everardo Villarreal, Commissioner, Precinct 3
Mr. Arnold Salazar, Commissioner Precinct 3, Assistant
Mr. Anthony Uresti, Hidalgo County Planning Department
Mr. Frank Ferris, Ferris, Flinn & Medina, LLC
Mr. Guillermo Reyna, Guillermo Reyna, CPA
Ms. Karla Ponce, Terry Canales Texas State Representative
Ms. Jessica Ortega, Mission City Councilwoman
Ms. Estela Gutierrez, Guest
Ms. Ingrid Izaguirre, Guest
Mr. Tyson Hanna, Guest
Ms. Anibal Resendez, Hidalgo County Precinct 3, Assistant Chief

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 10:30 a.m. on May 15, 2024.

- 4) Manager's Items:

- a) April 2024 Internal Bank Transfers and Expenditures.

General Manager presented an analysis of all HCID No.6 Internal Bank Transfers and Expenditures to Board Members.

- b) April 2024 Texas Regional Bank Credit Card Statement Transactions.

General Manager reported all Texas Regional Bank credit card transactions for previous month to Board Members.

- c) April 2024 Sam's Credit Card Statement Transactions.

General Manager reported all transactions for main office and shop supply expenses to Board Members.

- d) Notice Received by the United States Bureau of Reclamation Regarding the 2023 WaterSMART Drought Response Program Application for Funding Groups II and III.

Mr. Frank Ferris announced that HCID No.6 was awarded a matched grant and required documents will need to be submitted to the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Funding Group.

- 5) Discussion and possible action on Minutes for Regular Board Meeting of April 15, 2024.

Ms. Giovana Benitez made a motion and seconded by Mr. Santana Gutierrez to approve Minutes for Regular Board Meeting of April 15, 2024.

Motion carried unanimously.

- 6) Discussion and possible action on the Oath of Office Ceremony and Confirmation of the three Unopposed Candidates for the Board of Directors positions after May 4, 2024 election.

The Oath of Office Ceremony was conducted by Texas Senator, Juan "Chuy" Hinojosa for Ms. Diana Izaguirre, Mr. Santana Gutierrez and Mr. Brandon T. Thompson on May 20, 2024.

Ms. Giovana Benitez made a motion and seconded by Mr. Santana Gutierrez to approve the Oath of Office ceremony and confirmation of the three Unopposed Candidates for the Board of Directors positions.

Motion carried unanimously.

- 7) Discussion and possible action on the election of officers for HCID No.6 Board of Directors.

Ms. Giovana Benitez made a motion and seconded by Mr. Brandon Thompson to keep officers the same until the next election for HCID No.6 Board of Directors.

Motion carried unanimously.

- 8) Discussion and possible action for the 2023 fiscal year audit performed by Guillermo Reyna, CPA.

Mr. Guillermo Reyna presented the 2023 fiscal year audit to Board Members and concluded with an "Unmodified Opinion," meaning a clean opinion. Ms. Giovana Benitez made a motion and seconded by Mr. Brandon Thompson to approve for the 2023 fiscal year audit performed by Guillermo Reyna, CPA.

Motion carried unanimously.

- 9) Discussion and possible action on the Water Conservation Plan Annual Report and five-year update to the Water Conservation Plan and Drought Contingency Plan.

Mr. Frank Ferris presented the updated five-year 2024 Water Conservation Report and Resolution for Adoption of a Water Conservation & Drought Contingency Plan, Document No. 24-R206, and pointed out minor revisions.

No action taken.

- 10) Discussion and possible action on General Manager attending the TWCA (Texas Water Conservation Association) Summer Conference, June 12-14, 2024 in Arlington, Texas.

Ms. Giovana Benitez made a motion and seconded by Mr. Brandon Thompson to approve General Manager attending the TWCA (Texas Water Conservation Association) Summer Conference, June 12-14, 2024 in Arlington, Texas.

Motion carried unanimously.

- 11) Discussion and possible action for a request made by the General Manager to repair Pump Station Three, eight (8) head motor.

General Manager presented solicited bids to repair eight head motor. Mr. Santana Gutierrez made a motion and seconded by Ms. Giovana Benitez to approve the request made by the General Manager to repair Pump Station Three, eight (8) head motor.

Motion carried unanimously.

- 12) Discussion and possible action for a request made by the General Manager to repair Pump Station Three, eight (8) head pump.

General Manager presented solicited bids to repair eight head motor. Ms. Giovana Benitez made a motion and seconded by Mr. Brandon Thompson to approve the request made by the General Manager to repair Pump Station Three, eight (8) head pump.

Motion carried unanimously.

- 13) Discussion and possible action for a request made by the General Manager to repair the Allis Chamber Motor.

General Manager presented solicited bids to repair the Allis Chamber Motor. Mr. Brandon Thompson made a motion and seconded by Ms. Giovana Benitez to approve the request made by the General Manager to repair the Allis Chamber Motor.

Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Giovana Benitez made a motion and seconded by Mr. Santana Gutierrez to enter closed session at 2:29 p.m. to discuss item 14.

Motion carried unanimously.

- 14) Closed session: Texas Open Meetings Act and Texas Gov't Code Section 551.071 Consultation with Attorney regarding the request made by the City of McAllen to lease surplus municipal water rights.

- 15) Possible action on closed session regarding the request made by the City of McAllen to lease surplus municipal water rights.

Mr. Brandon Thompson made a motion for the Board of Directors to reconvene open session at 2:41 p.m. and seconded by Ms. Giovana Benitez.

Motion carried unanimously.

Item 14. Ms. Giovana made a motion and seconded by Mr. Santana Gutierrez to lease 1,000 acre-feet of water rights at \$120.00 per acre-foot to the City of McAllen regarding the request made by the City of McAllen to lease surplus municipal water rights.

Motion carried unanimously.

16) Adjournment.

Ms. Giovana Benitez made a motion and seconded by Mr. Santana Gutierrez to adjourn the meeting of May 20, 2024, at 2:45 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.



Diana Izaguirre, President, HCID No.6



Brandon Thompson, Secretary, HCID No.6