

**MINUTES
HARRIS-GALVESTON SUBSIDENCE DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SEPTEMBER 10, 2014
10:00 A.M.**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT: Alan Petrov (Chair), Edgar Barlow, Chris Canonico, Pete Côté, James Edwards, Alberto Gonzalez, Jason Hayley, Ken Hufstetler, Don Johnson, Bill Latimer, Paul Maaz, Lindall Murff, Pam Puckett, Kyle Sears and Linn Smyth.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ABSENT: Susan Baird, Joe Goins, Dennis Sander, and Robert Ybañez.

PRESIDING: Alan Petrov

Chairman Petrov called the meeting to order at 10:10a.m. in the Boardroom of the District office and announced the presence of a quorum.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

1. Mr. Latimer moved that the minutes of the regular meeting of August 13, 2014, be approved as presented; it was seconded by Mr. Maaz. Chairman Petrov put the question and, after the vote, announced the motion carried.

HEARING EXAMINER'S REPORT

2. Ms. Helen Stewart Truscott presented the Hearing Examiner's Report for August 2014 (Exhibit #1).
 - 2.1 Ms. Truscott reviewed the testimony and findings for the recommendations for Blanchard Refining Company, LLC, Merced Hernandez and TRH Investments as well as 17 new wells and 35 wells with violations.
 - 2.2 Ms. Pucket moved to accept the Hearing Examiner's recommendations; it was seconded by Mr. Latimer. Chairman Petrov put the question and after the vote, announced the motion carried.

EMERGENCY PERMITS

3. The Board considered the General Manager's actions in granting emergency permits to Bradshaw Nursery, Javier Cordova, Don Felts, Tina Jou, Labor Law Compliance Center, Lattimore Materials Corp., Mueller Explorations, Inc., PSI Supplies Inc., and Northside Industrial Park LP; and denying the emergency permit application filed by Peter Ghosh, PhD.

3.1 Peter Ghosh, PhD., appealed the decision of the General Manager to deny his emergency permit. The Board reviewed Dr. Ghosh's appeal. No motion was made to reconsider the action taken by the General Manager.

3.2 Ms. Baird now present.

HVAC REPAIRS

4. Mr. Turco reported that the Air Conditioner line under the parking lot between the chiller unit and the office has a leak that began approximately 4 weeks ago. The District staff obtained four bids to repair and replace the line.

4.1 Mr. Latimer moved to adopt Resolution No. 2014-939 amending the 2014 budget and authorizing HVAC repairs; it was seconded by Mr. Maaz. Mr. Johnson moved to amend the motion to change item 2 of the resolution to read "not to exceed the amount of \$52,790.00." The amendment was acceptable to the author of the motion and was thereby adopted. Chairman Petrov put the question and, after the vote, announced the motion carried as amended.

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2014 BUDGET AND AUTHORIZING HVAC REPAIRS

(This resolution is in full in the official records of the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District being Resolution No. 2014-939).

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

5. Mr. Turco submitted the General Manager's Report.

LEGAL MATTERS

6. Mr. Ellis updated the Board on the legal matters that concern the District.

EXECUTIVE SESSION REGARDING PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION

7. The Board of Directors went into Executive Session at 10:32 a.m. as authorized by the Open Meetings Act, Section 551.071, Government Code, to discuss contemplated litigation in consultation with the General Counsel.

7.1 Following Executive Session, the Board resumed the open meeting at 10:46 p.m.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.

BY:



Chairman

ATTEST:



Secretary