

Minutes of the August 5, 2019 Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lower Brushy Creek WCID

Secretary Monica Masters called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lower Brushy Creek WCID to order at 7:30 am on Monday, August 5, 2019 in the Board Room of the Greater Taylor Chamber of Commerce, 1519 North Main, Taylor, Texas 76574. Board members present included Scott Ging and Mike Schneider. Others present included General Manager Jim Clarno, Board Attorney Ted Hejl, Connie Ramirez of the NRCS, Tony Resendez of the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board and Richard Stone.

Secretary Masters announced that a quorum was present.

There were no Citizen's Communications.

The minutes of the June 10, 2019 and June 17, 2019 meetings were presented for consideration. A motion was made by Director Ging to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Schneider and approved by a vote of 3-0.

The third quarter Checking Account Register and the Financial Statement were present for consideration. Clarno reported that the current balance in the WCID account was \$11,794.83. A motion was made by Director Schneider to approve the financial report as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Ging and approved by a vote of 3-0.

Clarno reviewed the draft budget. No action was taken.

Clarno recommended approval of the engagement letter from Maxwell, Locke and Ritter, LLP to perform auditing services for FY 2019. A motion was made by Director Schneider to approve the agreement as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Ging and approved by a vote of 3-0.

Clarno recommended approval of an agreement with RTS Connect to provide Communications Professional Services. A motion was made by Director Ging to approve the agreement as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Schneider and approved by a vote of 3-0.

Under Agency Reports, Clarno recognized Connie Ramirez for receiving her 30-year service award by NRCS. Tony Resendez, of the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board updated the Board on funding now available under the Flood Control Program and some changes in the rules.

In his report, Clarno :

- Said that the Spring O&M has been completed except for orifice plate replacement at Site 17.
- Site 20 Rehab project is proceeding, and he has approved 3 pay estimates in the amount \$307,571.14 or 17.7% of the bid amount.
- A large tract at Site 13 has been subdivided and sold. Each of the new tracts includes a portion of the WCID flood easement for the site. Ted Hejl is preparing letters to the new owners advising the easements.
- He has attended several meetings including:
 - City of Taylor and Wilco Pct. 4 to discuss drainage issues (7/29)

- Wilco to discuss the impact of Atlas 14 and subdivision detention requirements
- TAWS representative to the state board (7/25) and NRCS Zone 5 (7/30) meetings
- Met the maintenance contractor for UBC WCID (7/31)
- The State Board has approved \$5million for maintenance for FY 2020 and relaxed their rules and \$150 million for repair projects for FY 2020 and 2021. Sites 12, 22 and 18 are all on the preliminary list of repair projects to be funded.
- O&M packages proposed in the FY 2010 budget include:
 - Fall - shred, replace gates, and remaining brush around plunge pools
 - Fall - re-fence 2-4 sites
 - Winter – fertilize and apply pre-emergent
 - Spring – shred and any work that shows up during inspections
- A dam engineering RFQ will be sent to Freese & Nichols and to M&E Consultants. The initial tasks include breach analysis of 8 dams in the Turkey Creek basin and detailed inspection of all 23 dams in the fall.
- The current firm hosting our website will no longer be providing such service, so we will need to find a new host.

There were no Director's Comments.

There being no further business, Director Ging made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 am. The motion was seconded by Director Schneider and approved by a vote of 3-0.

Respectfully submitted:

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Secretary