

HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 248

Minutes of Meeting of Board of Directors
August 12, 2020

The meeting of the Board of Directors (“Board”) of Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 248 (“District”) met by telephone conference call on August 12, 2020, in accordance with the duly posted notice of said meeting and with the March 16, 2020 Order of Governor Abbott., with a quorum of Directors present, as follows:

A. Richard Wilson, President
Marie Godard, Vice President
Long Nguyen, Secretary
E. Paul Daigle, Jr., Treasurer
Richard Ford, Director

and the following absent:

None.

Also present were Mr. Patrick Newton, Mr. Jerry Homan, Mr. Brian Breeding, Mr. Bob Ideus, Ms. Leslie Cook, Mr. Loren Morales, Mr. Johnny Williams, and Mr. Wm. Scott Smith.

The meeting was called to order and declared open for such business as might regularly come before it.

1. The Board opened the floor for public comment. Director Godard noted that she has been in contact with the White Oak Falls Homeowners Association with respect to issues regarding the trails.

2. The Board unanimously approved the minutes of the meetings held on July 8 and 28, 2020.

3. The Board unanimously approved ratifying the Order calling of the election approved at the July 28 meeting due to issues with respect to the translation of the agenda at that meeting.

4. The Board unanimously approved a contract with Harris County for election services for the District.

5. Mr. Ideus presented the bookkeeper’s report. Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried the Board approved the bookkeeper’s report and the checks listed thereon.

6. The Board discussed the 2020 tax rate. Mr. Smith noted that the Harris County Appraisal District has not yet certified its 2020 values. Accordingly, the District is unable to begin the process of setting the 2020 tax rate at this time.

7. Mr. Breeding presented the operator's report indicating that there were 707 connections with the District, and water accountability was 98%. There were ten bacteriological samples taken and two pending commercial taps. The Verizon Wireless dial-out equipment is on order. The Board discussed the trash cans around the trails and noted that the trash cans are not being emptied by the contractor and are overflowing. Mr. Homan volunteered to take responsibility for emptying the trash cans twice a week until a permanent solution may be established. Mr. Homan also noted that he was recently reelected to the AWBD board of trustees.

8. Mr. Williams presented the detention pond operations report and noted that the August mowing has been completed. The summer fertilizer was completed in July, and the grass is healthy. The mulch from the 290 Commons detention pond was removed with no issues.

9. Mr. Newton presented the engineer's report and noted that bids have been received for all of the Weiser projects. The Board unanimously approved Pay Estimate No. 5 for the trails project in the amount of \$88,276.74. The final walkthrough on the trails will be completed in December. The notice to proceed was issued on August 17 for the manhole rehabilitation project. Mr. Newton also stated that his firm has reviewed plans for a new clinic on Huffmeister Road.

10. The Board considered electricity contracts. After a review, the proposal most advantageous to the District was a contract for 60 months with Engie Energy beginning January 1, 2021.

11. The Board reviewed the tax assessor-collector's report indicating that 2019 taxes are 96.1% collected. Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board approved the tax assessor-collector's report and checks drawn on the tax fund.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary