

HARRIS COUNTY FRESH WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT NO. 61

Minutes of Meeting of Board of Directors

January 8, 2025

The Board of Directors (“Board”) of Harris County Fresh Water Supply District No. 61 (“District”) met on Wednesday, January 8, 2025 in accordance with the duly posted notice of the meeting, with a quorum of Directors present, as follows:

Jon Morgan, President
Ben Solis, Vice President
Darrell Barroso, Secretary
Lary Cangelose, Assistant Secretary

and the following were absent:

Mike Kelley, Treasurer

Also present were Mr. Jerry Homan, general manager for the District; Mr. Brian Breeding, assistant general manager for the District; Ms. Pam Magee, office manager for the District; Mr. Eddie Streich, engineer for the District; and Ms. Jennifer B. Seipel, attorney for the District.

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

1. There were no customer inquiries or input for consideration.
2. The Board considered the minutes for the meeting held on December 11, 2024. One change was suggested, and upon motion made by Director Barroso, seconded by Director Solis, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the minutes as amended.
3. Mr. Streich presented the engineer’s report, a copy of which is attached hereto. With regard to the N. Eldridge Parkway sanitary sewer and water line relocation, the engineer stated that his office continues to answer questions about the fourth reimbursement package submitted to the Texas Department of Transportation. Mr. Streich also noted that the driveway to the District’s lift station has been poured.

With regard to the recoating of water plant no. 2, Mr. Streich confirmed that construction has commenced.

The engineer noted that the final walkthrough for the lift station rehabilitation work is scheduled for this week.

Mr. Streich also reported that the utility relocation work in the Barwood and Tower Oaks neighborhoods is scheduled to be bid in February.

After discussion, upon motion made by Director Cangelose, seconded by Director Barroso, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the engineer’s report as presented.

4. The Board considered payment of the general fund bills. After review, upon motion made by Director Barroso, seconded by Director Cangelose, and unanimously carried, the Board approved payment of the general fund bills as presented.

5. Ms. Magee, Mr. Breeding, and Mr. Homan presented the management report. Ms. Magee stated that she had nothing to report.

Mr. Breeding reported that another air conditioning unit at the District's administration building has failed and needs replacing. He recommended that the Board replace the unit with the same Trane unit used to replace the air conditioner that failed in late 2024, and the Board agreed.

Mr. Homan then read a letter of recommendation about Persons Services Corp., which stated that the District was pleased with their work and would do business with them again. The Board approved of the letter.

Mr. Homan stated that he, Mr. Breeding, and Ms. Seipel will be meeting with counsel for Harris County MUD No. 69 to discuss the renegotiation of the wastewater treatment agreement with such district.

Upon motion made by Director Barroso, seconded by Director Solis, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the management report as presented.

6. The Board then discussed the most recent meeting of the Authority, which several directors and Mr. Homan attended. The Board discussed the events of the meeting, including Mr. Homan's comments regarding the use of the Authority's insurance coverage and money to cover legal representation of individual board members stemming from alleged violations of the Texas Open Meetings Act. The Board also noted that the Authority hired a new lobbyist.

7. With regard to the Water Users Coalition, Mr. Homan stated that there is no update at this time.

8. There was no executive session.

9. Lastly, the Board considered items for the next agenda, including 2025 tax exemptions.

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

Secretary

Short Term Action Items

1. 2025 tax exemptions

Long Term Action Items

1. 222 Rate Analysis for Wastewater Usage
2. Trunk Line Repair - Complete; Discussion of Costs with MUD 222 and MUD 248