

**Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting
April 11, 2019**

Board members present at commencement: Blayne Stansberry, Craig Smith, and Blake Dorsett. Bob Larsen arrived at 6:28 p.m. Mary Stone was absent. Staff present included: Alicia Reinmund-Martinez, Brian Smith, Vanessa Escobar, Robin Gary and Tammy Raymond. These minutes represent a summarized version of the meeting; the complete discussion of the following items is recorded digitally.

Note: The Board of Directors of the Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed on this agenda, as authorized by the Texas Government Code Sections §551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), 551.087 (Economic Development) 418.183 (Homeland Security). No final action or decision will be made in Executive Session.

1. Call to Order.

President Stansberry called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m., noting that a quorum of the Board was present.

2. Citizen Communications (Public Comments of a General Nature).

There were no public comments of a general nature.

3. Routine Business.

a. Consent Agenda. *(Note: These items may be considered and approved as one motion. Directors or citizens may request any consent item be removed from the consent agenda, for consideration and possible approval as a separate item of Regular Business on this agenda.)*

- 1. Approval of Financial Reports under the Public Funds Investment Act, Directors' Compensation Claims, and Specified Expenditures greater than \$5,000.**
- 2. Approval of minutes of the Board's March 28, 2019, Regular Meeting.**

Director Smith moved approval of Consent Agenda Items 1 and 2, noting no expenditures greater than \$5,000.

Director Dorsett seconded the motion and it passed unanimously with a vote of 3 to 0.

b. General Manager's Report. *(Note: Topics discussed in the General Manager's Report are intended for general administrative and operational information-transfer purposes. The Directors will not take any action unless the topic is specifically listed elsewhere in this agenda for consideration.)*

Topics

1. Personnel matters.
2. Aquifer conditions and status of drought indicators.
3. Upcoming public events of possible interest.
4. Review of Status Report Update – at directors’ discretion.
5. Update on projects and activities of individual teams.
6. Update on activities related to the Travis County ILA.
7. Update on development activities over aquifer recharge and contributing zones.
8. Update on activities related to area roadway projects.
9. Update on GMA and regional water planning activities.
10. Update on the State Auditor’s Office audit.
11. Update on the issues regarding voter coding in Hays County.
12. Update on the State Office of Administrative Hearings proceedings for the Needmore Water LLC and/or the Electro Purification LLC permit applications.

Updates were given by Ms. Reinmund-Martinez, Bill Dugat and staff.

4. Discussion and Possible Action.

a. Discussion and possible action related to the Interlocal Agreement Between the Barton Springs Edwards Aquifer Conservation District and the City of Austin for the collaboration and coordination of respective Habitat Conservation Plans.

Mr. Holland presented an overview of the draft Interlocal Agreement (ILA) between the District and the City of Austin (COA) regarding the collaboration and coordination of our respective Habitat Conservation Plans and answered questions from the Board. He explained that through this ILA, the District and the COA agree to collaborate and coordinate on routine and planned communication and activities including flow/aquifer level measurements, monitoring, and regional issues.

After discussion, Director Smith moved approval of the Interlocal Agreement between the Barton Springs Edwards Aquifer Conservation District and the City of Austin for the collaboration and coordination of respective Habitat Conservation Plans.

Director Dorsett seconded the motion and it passed unanimously with a vote of 4 to 0.

b. Discussion and possible action related to the implementation of the Habitat Conservation Plan when conducting rulemaking and revising the Management Plan by Resolution #041119-01.

Ms. Reinmund-Martinez explained that the resolution regards future amendments to the Districts Rules and Bylaws and Management Plan. She said that we will need to assess whether or not those amendments impact our ability to implement our Habitat Conservation Plan.

After discussion, Director Smith moved approval of Resolution #041119-01.

Director Dorsett seconded the motion and it passed unanimously with a vote of 4 to 0.

c. Discussion and possible action related to an update from Sledge Law Group on the 86th Legislative Session.

President Stansberry stated that the Board would meet in Executive Session as authorized by the Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) at 7:25 p.m. President Stansberry stated that no final actions or decisions would be made while in Executive Session.

The Board reconvened into open session at 8:28 p.m. President Stansberry stated that no final actions or decisions were made while in Executive Session.

d. Discussion and possible action related to the Kinder Morgan Permian Highway Pipeline Project.

Ms. Reinmund-Martinez updated the Board on recent communications with Kinder Morgan, and they have said again that they will only transport natural gas through the pipeline.

No Board action was taken.

5. Adjournment.

Without objection, President Stansberry adjourned the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

Approved by the Board on April 25, 2019

By: Blayne Stansberry
Blayne Stansberry, President

Attest: Blake Dorsett
Blake Dorsett, Board Secretary