

**Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting & Work Session
July 25, 2019**

Board members present at commencement: Blayne Stansberry, Mary Stone, Bob Larsen, Craig Smith and Blake Dorsett. Staff present included: Alicia Reinmund-Martinez, Brian Hunt, Vanessa Escobar, Robin Gary, Justin Camp, Dana Wilson, Lane Cockrell, 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 6:03 p.m., noting that a quorum of the Board was present.

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

No public comments of a general nature were given.

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 July 11, 2019, Regular Meeting and Public Hearing.**

Director Larsen moved approval of Consent Agenda Items 1 and 2, noting invoices from Bickerstaff, Heath in the amount of \$7239.68, Sledge Law in the amount of \$11,425.86, Westbay in the amount of \$10,764.23, and USGS in the amount of \$7600.00.

Director Smith seconded the motion and it passed unanimously with a vote of 5 to 0.

4. Work Session.

Discussion related to the preliminary FY 2020 Budget.

Ms. Reinmund-Martinez gave a presentation of the FY 2020 preliminary budget that showed a shortfall due to excessive legal fees for large permit applications. She recommended borrowing from the Contingency Fund to balance the budget.

The Board discussed ways to cut the budget without using the Contingency Fund, including discussion about the City of Austin's water use fee.

5. Discussion and possible action.

a. Discussion and possible action to approve the FY 2019 Budget with Revision 3.

After discussion, Director Smith moved approval of the FY 2019 Budget Revision 3.

Director Larsen seconded the motion and it passed unanimously with a vote of 5 to 0.

b. Discussion and possible action related to setting a public hearing for the FY 2020 annual budget and the amended FY2020 Fee Schedule.

Director Smith moved to set a Public Hearing on August 15th to adopt the FY 2020 Budget and amendments to the Fee Schedule, and for the General Manager to set up meetings with the City of Austin to discuss their water use fee, the Budget Committee and other Board members before the Public Hearing.

Director Larsen seconded the motion and it passed unanimously with a vote of 5 to 0.

6. Adjournment.

Without objection, President Stansberry adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Approved by the Board on August 22, 2019

By: Blayne Stansberry
Blayne Stansberry, President

Attest: Blake Dorsett
Blake Dorsett, Board Secretary