

**Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting
September 13, 2018**

Board members present at commencement: Blayne Stansberry, Craig Smith, Bob Larsen, and Mary Stone. Blake Dorsett was absent. Staff present: Alicia Reinmund-Martinez, Brian Smith, Vanessa Escobar, Kendall Bell-Enders, Jackie Vay and Tammy Raymond. Also present were those on the attached sign-in sheet. 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).

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 August 9, 2018, Regular Meeting and Public Hearing.**
 3. **Approval of out-of-state travel for Brian Smith and Brian Hunt to attend the Geological Society of America (GSA) Annual Meeting in Indianapolis, Indiana from November 4 to 7.**
 4. **Approval of order declaring unopposed candidates and cancelling director elections for Precincts 2 and 5 on the general election date November 6, 2018.**

Director Stone moved approval of Consent Agenda items 1 through 4, noting invoices from Bickerstaff Heath in the amount of \$9080.30 and Holland Groundwater Management in the amount of \$7500.00.

Director Larsen seconded the motion and it passed unanimously with a vote of 4 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.)*

1. Standing Topics.

- i. Personnel matters and utilization**
- ii. Upcoming public events of possible interest**
- iii. Aquifer conditions and status of drought indicators**

2. Special Topics. *(Note: Individual topics listed below may be discussed by the Board in this meeting, but no action will be taken unless a topic is specifically posted elsewhere in this agenda as an item for possible action. A Director may request an individual topic that is presented only under this agenda item be placed on the posted agenda of some future meeting for Board discussion and possible action.)*

- i. Review of Status Update Report – at directors' discretion.**
- ii. Update on certain projects and activities of individual teams.**
- iii. Update on the Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Habitat Conservation Plan Incidental Take Permit Number TE10607C- 0.**
- iv. Update on activities related to the Travis County ILA.**
- v. Update on Board committee activity.**
- vi. Update on the procedural matters relating to the Needmore Water LLC permit application.**
- vii. Update on the procedural matters relating to the Electro Purification LLC permit application.**

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

President Stansberry stated that the Board would meet in Executive Session as authorized by the Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) on item vi. of the General Manager's Report at 6:52 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 7:36 p.m. President Stansberry stated that no final actions or decisions were made while in Executive Session.

4. Discussion and Possible Action.

4a. Discussion and possible action related to the District's concepts for Aquifer Storage and Recovery Rules and to direct staff to draft such rules.

Ms. Bell-Enders gave a presentation on proposed rule concepts for Aquifer Storage and Recovery permits, and answered questions from the Board.

After discussion, Director Smith moved to direct staff to proceed with drafting ASR Rules and concepts outlined in the meeting.

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

4b. Discussion related to assessment of progress made towards achievement of the District Goals set for FY 2018.

President Stansberry stated that due to the time, this item would be postponed to a subsequent Board meeting.

4c. Receive update and legal analysis from Sledge Law Group on legislation from the 85th Texas Legislature and discuss legal strategy for the 86th Texas Legislature.

Mr. Brian Sledge gave a brief update on the outcome of District and priority groundwater Bills from the 85th Texas Legislature.

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 8:43 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 10:10 p.m. President Stansberry stated that no final actions or decisions were made while in Executive Session.

5. Directors' Reports.

Directors may report on their involvement in activities and dialogue that are of likely interest to the Board, in one or more of the following topical areas:

- Meetings and conferences attended or that will be attended;
- Board committee updates;
- Conversations with public officials, permittees, stakeholders, and other constituents;
- Commendations; and Issues or problems of concern.

Director's Reports were not given due to the late hour.

6. Adjournment.

Without objection, Director Smith adjourned the meeting at 10:10 p.m.

Approved by the Board on September 27, 2018

By: Blayne Stansberry
Blayne Stansberry, President

Attest: Blake Dorsett
Blake Dorsett, Board Secretary