

**Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Work Session and Special Called Meeting
November 29, 2012**

Board members present at commencement: Gary Franklin, Craig Smith and Bob Larsen. Mary Stone and outgoing director Jack Goodman was absent. Staff present: Kirk Holland, John Dupnik, Dana Wilson, Brian Smith, Robin Gary, 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.

1. Call to Order.

Mr. Franklin, presiding in Ms. Stone's absence, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., noting that a quorum of the current Board was present.

2. Citizen Communications (Public Comments).

There were no comments of a general nature.

3. Administer Sworn Statement and Oath of Office for Newly Elected Director(s).

Sworn Statements were administered and signed by Bob Larsen and Blake Dorsett prior to the start of the meeting and a copy was faxed to the Secretary of State as required. Mr. Holland read the Sworn Statement aloud and stated that Mary Stone had previously signed her Sworn Statement and Oath of Office on November 19th.

At that time Blake Dorsett and Bob Larsen each recited their Oath of Office for their respective Precincts. Mr. Holland announced to the quorum of the "old" Board that the three elected directors have fulfilled their qualifying requirements, and suggested moving to agenda item 5a.

5. Board Discussion and Possible Action.

5a. Discussion and possible action related to approving performance bonds for Mary Stone, Bob Larsen, and Blake Dorsett.

Mr. Smith moved that the District Board of Directors approve the funding and issuance of three bonds, in the amount of \$10,000 each and payable to the District, each of which is conditioned on the faithful performance of the duties of a director by Mary Stone, Precinct 1 Director; by Blake Dorsett, Precinct 3 Director; and by Bob Larsen, Precinct 4 Director to be effective from today, November 29, 2012 and for the remainder of each of their four-year terms as a District Director.

Mr. Franklin relinquished the gavel and seconded the motion.

Mr. Smith called for a vote and the motion passed with a vote of 3 to 0.

Mr. Franklin reclaimed the gavel and announced that a new Board has been properly formed, consisting of Mary Stone, Gary Franklin, Blake Dorsett, Bob Larsen, and Craig Smith, and that a quorum of the “ new” Board was present and able to take action as the BSEACD Board of Directors.

4. 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 on them in this meeting, unless the topic is specifically listed elsewhere in this as-posted agenda.

No report was given.

6. Work Session.

The Board will hold a Work Session to evaluate the District’s progress towards achieving the goals and objectives of the Management Plan, to be reported in the Annual Report’s Appendix B.

Mr. Franklin opened the Work Session at 6:41 p.m.

Mr. Holland went through draft Appendix B of the FY 2012 Annual Report objective by objective, providing an opportunity for the Board members to ask questions or make comments about the progress reported in draft Appendix B. A few non-substantive changes were suggested

Mr. Franklin closed the Work Session at 7:18 p.m.

5. Board Discussion and Possible Action.

5b. Discussion and possible action related to approving the progress documented by Appendix B of the 2012 Annual Report. (After Work Session.)

Mr. Dorsett, attending his first Board meeting as a director, elected to abstain from voting due to his unfamiliarity with the progress toward the objectives.

The following motions were made concerning progress toward the specific objectives::

Objective	Abbreviated Description	Motion for FY2012	Movant Director	Seconding Director	Vote Outcome
1-1	Optimize the balance between water use and “preserving, conserving, and protecting” the groundwater resources.	Yes, Satisfactory	Dr. Larsen	Mr. Smith	3-0 in favor 1 abstain

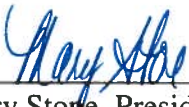
2-1	Ensure that groundwater is used for beneficial purposes at all times and minimize or prevent wasteful use and harmful alteration of the groundwater and its reservoirs.	Yes, Satisfactory	Mr. Smith	Dr. Larsen	3-0 in favor 1 abstain
3-1	Diversify water supplies available to users in the District to allow for appropriate pumpage curtailments, especially during extreme drought.	Yes, Satisfactory	Dr. Larsen	Mr. Smith	3-0 in favor 1 abstain
4-1	Increase understanding of District aquifers through sound science that characterizes aquifer properties and variability so that appropriate policy and regulatory decisions can be made.	Yes, Satisfactory	Mr. Smith	Dr. Larsen	3-0 in favor 1 abstain
4-2	Review and modify, within statutory authority, the Rules as to their consistency with natural resources protection	Yes, Satisfactory	Dr. Larsen	Mr. Smith	3-0 in favor 1 abstain
5-1	Maintain sustainable-yield aquifer conditions to prevent well interference and water-quality impacts related to reduced springflow during a recurrence of the DOR	Yes, Satisfactory	Mr. Smith	Dr. Larsen	3-0 in favor 1 abstain
6-1	Reduce the per-capita use in the District during non-drought times through relevant statutory, regulatory, scientific, administrative, and educational vehicles.	Yes, Satisfactory	Dr. Larsen	Mr. Smith	3-0 in favor 1 abstain

7-1	Improve recharge to the Edwards Aquifer to increase the amount of water in storage so that future droughts will be less severe and of shorter duration	Yes, Satisfactory	Mr. Smith	Dr. Larsen	3-0 in favor 1 abstain
7-2	Assess the feasibility of implementing supply enhancement measures including desalination, ASR, and treated effluent reuse	Yes, Satisfactory	Dr. Larsen	Mr. Smith	3-0 in favor 1 abstain
7-3	Augment the amount of water recharging the aquifers through the use of alternative water sources	Yes, Satisfactory	Mr. Smith	Dr. Larsen	3-0 in favor 1 abstain

7. Adjournment.

Without objection, Mr. Franklin adjourned the meeting at 7:33 p.m.

Approved by the Board on December 13, 2012:

By: 
Mary Stone, President

Attest: 
Craig Smith, Secretary