

**Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
Regular Meeting  
March 14, 2019**

Board members present at commencement: Blayne Stansberry, Bob Larsen, and Mary Stone. Craig Smith arrived at 6:18 p.m. and Blake Dorsett was absent. Staff present included: Alicia Reinmund-Martinez, Brian Smith, Vanessa Escobar, Erin Swanson, Lane Cockrell, Jackie Vay 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 February 21, 2019, Regular Meeting.**

Director Larsen moved approval of Consent Agenda item 1 and 2, noting an invoice from Bickerstaff, Heath in the amount of \$6052.85.

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

**4a. Presentation by staff on the Karst Systems of Hays County and the Edwards and Trinity Aquifers.**

Brian Smith gave a presentation on the hydrogeology and karst of Hays County. He showed the current pathways, contaminant transport and the current highway and pipeline construction taking place over karst.

Ms. Reinmund-Martinez shared information that she obtained from meetings with Kinder Morgan staff regarding the pipeline, along with questions that need to be answered.

**4b. Presentation by Kinder Morgan on the Permian Highway Pipeline Project.**

Mr. Allen Fore gave a presentation on Kinder Morgan's background and their history regarding pipeline projects in the past, and the current Permian Highway Pipeline going through Hays County.

Mr. Fore and his staff answered questions asked by President Stansberry and the Board.

**5. Discussion and Possible Action.**

**5a. Discussion and possible action related to the Permian Highway Pipeline Project.**

Director Stone moved to direct staff to obtain answers to the questions and information previously requested in the presentation given by the General Manager and answers to the question regarding the condensate discussed.

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

**5b. Discussion and possible action related to amending the BSEACD FY 2019 Annual Budget.**

Ms. Reinmund-Martinez explained that an amendment adding an additional \$75,000 to the current legal budget is needed to cover further legal expenses for the rest of the year. She said that with the increase the legal budget would be \$160,000 for this fiscal year.

Director Larsen asked if the money would come from the contingency fund.

Ms. Reinmund-Martinez explained that it would come from the savings account/general operating fund.

Director Stone moved approval of the budget amendment to add \$75,000 to legal.

Director Smith seconded the motion and it passed with a vote of 3 to 1. Director Larsen voted nay.

**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 activities related to the Habitat Conservation Plan.
11. Update on the State Auditor's Office audit.
12. Update on the State Office of Administrative Hearings proceedings for the Needmore Water LLC and/or the Electro Purification LLC permit applications.
13. Update on the City of Dripping Springs wastewater permit application to the TCEQ.

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

## **6. Adjournment.**

Without objection, President Stansberry adjourned the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

Approved by the Board on March 28, 2019

By: Blayne Stansberry Attest: Blake Dorsett  
Blayne Stansberry, President Blake Dorsett, Board Secretary