

**Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting
February 23, 2017**

Board members present at commencement: Blayne Stansberry, Craig Smith, Bob Larsen and Mary Stone and Blake Dorsett. Staff present: John Dupnik, Brian Smith, Kendall Bell-Enders and Tammy Raymond. Bill Dugat of Bickerstaff, Heath, Delgado, Acosta also participated in the meeting. 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.

President Stansberry called the meeting to order at 6:01 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 an item of Regular Business.

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 9, 2017 Regular Meeting.**
3. **Approval of an amendment to the professional consulting services contract with Holland Groundwater Management Consultants, LLC, to continue to support the pending Incidental Take Permit application and other management consulting services as warranted.**

Director Smith moved approval of consent agenda items 1 through 3, noting an invoice from Carollo in the amount of \$10,219.78.

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

3. Routine Business.

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.)*

1. Personnel matters and utilization
2. Upcoming public events of possible interest
3. Aquifer conditions and status of drought indicators
4. Noteworthy team activities

Mr. Dupnik and staff updated the Board and answered Director's questions on the items listed above.

4. Discussion and Possible Action.

4a. Discussion and possible action related to the draft settlement agreement prepared by the City of Austin in response to the City of Dripping Springs TPDES permit application to authorize direct discharge of treated wastewater to Onion Creek in the contributing zone of the Barton Springs segment of the Edwards Aquifer.

4b. Discussion and possible action related to approval of a water pipeline easement from the District to the Hays Caldwell Public Utility Agency.

4c. Discussion and possible action related to activities in the 85th Legislative session of interest to the District.

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 agenda items 4a, 4b, and 4c, at 6:33 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 7:58 p.m. President Stansberry stated that no final actions or decisions were made while in Executive Session.

5. Directors' Reports. *(Note: Directors' comments under this item cannot address an agenda item posted elsewhere on this agenda and no substantive discussion among the Board Members or action will be allowed in this meeting. Communications reported under this item may be used to support Performance Standard 4-1 of the District's Management Plan related to demonstration of effective communication with District constituents.)*

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;
- Committee formation and updates;

- Conversations with public officials, permittees, stakeholders, and other constituents;
- Commendations; and
- Issues or problems of concern.

Director Dorsett reported the following:

Attended two Creedmoor Maha Board meetings

Director Larsen reported the following:

Attended the South Austin Neighborhood Association meeting

Attended the American Legion meeting at the Onion Creek Association where John Dupnik gave a presentation that was well received

Director Stansberry reported the following:

Attended a meeting at Travis County on Flood Mitigation

Watched the live stream of the City of Austin Environmental Board meeting

Director Smith reported the following:

Attended the TX Water Conservation Symposium

Attended a meeting with Daryl Slusher of the Austin Water Utility

Attended the Alternative Water Supply Committee meeting

Attended the City of Austin Environmental Board meeting

President Stansberry formed a Board Subcommittee consisting of Director Smith and herself to review the judges' results of the College Scholarship Essays, and to recommend a winner.

6. Adjournment.

Without objection, President Stansberry adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

Approved by the Board on March 9, 2017

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