

**Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting
October 12, 2017**

Board members present at commencement: Blayne Stansberry, Mary Stone, and Craig Smith. Bob Larsen and Blake Dorsett were absent. Staff present: John Dupnik, Brian Smith, Kendall Bell-Enders 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.

President Stansberry called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m., noting that a quorum of the Board was present.

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

There were no 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 September 28, 2017 regular Meeting.**
3. **Approval of alternative dates for the November and December Board meetings and set the date for the District Holiday Party.**
4. **Approval of a contract for technical consulting services to support the technical review of a Trinity Aquifer Production Permit application and hydrogeological report.**
5. **Approval of an amendment to extend the terms of the contract with Hicks and Company to support the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's review of the District's HCP and ITP application.**

6. Approval of an amendment to the contract with Pixel Profundo LLC to authorize continued development of the AR educational game, CleAR Creek Critters.

President Stansberry noted that item 3a.2 would be returned to the next agenda, and item 3a.4 would be moved to Item 4. for discussion.

Director Stone moved approval of consent agenda items 1, 3, 5 & 6, noting invoices from Carollo in the amount of \$21,794.00 and Texas Municipal League in the amount of \$8,300.60. She also noted Board meetings on November 16th and December 14th, and the Holiday Open House on December 8th.

Director Smith seconded the motion and it passed unanimously with a vote of 3 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.)*

Topics.

- i. Personnel matters and utilization
- ii. Upcoming public events of possible interest
- iii. Aquifer conditions and status of drought indicators
- iv. Update on team activities and highlights
- v. Update on the District HCP and ITP application
- vi. Update on Board committee activity

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

4. Discussion and Possible Action.

4c. Discussion and possible action related to an extension of the well drilling authorization previously approved for Gragg Tract LP, (Walters Southwest) for a new Lower Trinity Aquifer well to be located on Old Bliss Spillar Road in Manchaca, Texas.

Ms. Bell-Enders explained that the original well drilling application was approved by the Board on November 17, 2016 and will expire on November 17th of this year. She said that the applicant is asking for a one-year extension.

Mr. Bill Walters explained that he has an impending Service Extension Request with the City of Austin for water and wastewater service to the Gragg Tract. He said that the process has taken longer than anticipated, but if approved; a Trinity well would not be needed.

Director Smith indicated that Mr. Walters was using the well drilling authorization as a negotiation tool for the City of Austin request, and felt like he never intended to drill a well.

After Board discussion, Director Stone moved approval of the one-year extension.

President Stansberry seconded the motion and it failed with a vote of 2 to 1. Director Smith voted nay.

4a. Discussion and possible action related to approval of the FY 2018 District goals and General Manager's performance objectives.

Mr. Dupnik and Team leaders gave an overview of the FY 2018 District goals and general manager's performance objectives.

After discussion, Director Stone moved approval of the FY 2018 Goals and GM Objectives as presented.

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

President Stansberry opened items 3a.4 and 4b.

3a.4. Approval of a contract for technical consulting services to support the technical review of a Trinity Aquifer Production Permit application and hydrogeological report.

4b. Discussion and possible action related to approval of a contract with Intera to provide technical services related to the development of an integrated data management and reporting system.

Mr. Dupnik explained that Intera was chosen as the top firm through the District's procurement process for both the technical review of a Trinity Aquifer Production Permit, and to develop a data base reporting system. He said that there is one Master Services Contract to be approved and work orders for each task.

Director Stone moved approval of the Intera Master Services Agreement and work orders for the technical review of a Trinity Aquifer Production Permit application, and the integrated data management reporting system.

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

4d. Discussion and possible action related to the process and scope for the next round of rule-making.

Mr. Dupnik stated that in August staff presented ASR rule concepts that needed to be further developed. He explained that the next step to move the concepts along is to convene a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) of local experts, particularly those involved with ASR

projects. Once they are vetted through the TAC and the Board subcommittee, they will be brought back to the full Board to initiate the formal rule making process.

Director Stone asked if ASR was the only reason the rules were going to be opened.

Mr. Dupnik explained that there would be other items including legislation that had changed in the last session.

Director Smith moved to endorse the BSEACD Aquifer Storage & Recovery proposed rule making process outlined on page 31 of the agenda packet.

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

4e. Discussion and possible action related 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.

There was no discussion on this item.

Without objection, President Stansberry adjourned the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

Approved by the Board on November 16, 2017

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