# MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 43 OF HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

#### February 11, 2025

The Board of Directors of Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 43 of Harris County, Texas, met for a regular session open to the public, on February 11, 2025, at 7:00 P.M., at the Birnamwood Clubhouse, 23803 Birnamwood Boulevard, Spring, Texas, a regular meeting place of the District. The roll was taken of the duly constituted officers and members of the Board to wit:

Matt Fagerburg President

Kathleen Harrison Vice President / Investment Officer

Connie Magee Secretary

Patti Yazell Assistant Secretary

Bob Frost Director

Also present were Benjamin Mellado with EHRA, Steve Reifel with TNG Utility, Sgt. Crowley, Cpl. Perez, and Lt. Massey of the Precinct 4 Constables Office, and resident Nancy Gregory of 4915 Hickorygate.

#### CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting was brought to order at 7:02 P.M. by Director Fagerburg with all directors present except Director Harrison and a quorum was established.

#### HEAR COMMENTS FROM DISTRICT RESIDENTS

Ms. Gregory addressed the board to discuss the amount of trash along the nature growth area on Cypresswood Drive. It doesn't appear to have been picked up in quite a while and does not look good. The board will address this issue with Yellowstone Landscaping.

#### HEAR CONSTABLE'S SECURITY REPORT

Sgt Crowley reviewed the security report.

REVIEW REPORTS OF THE BOOKKEEPER, INCLUDING THE BUDGET, TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR, AND DELINQUENT TAX ATTORNEY, AND AUTHORIZE ANY NECESSARY ACTION.

Director Yazell made a motion to approve the payment of bills and for the bookkeeper's report to be reviewed at the next meeting. Director Frost seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

#### **OPERATOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Reifel of TNG presented the operator's report for both water wells and the wastewater treatment plant dated February 11, 2025. The wastewater treatment plant is running at 49% of capacity with no excursions. Door hangers for delinquent bills are to be placed February 14<sup>th</sup> with cutoffs scheduled for February 18<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Reifel started a survey of valves to make sure they are clean and working properly. TNG is now also checking results from the Eye on Water system and sending notifications to the high users in case they have a leak.

Director Yazell made a motion to accept the Operator's Report. Director Magee seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

## REVIEW ENGINEER'S REPORT AND TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTION CONCERNING ON-GOING CONSTRUCTION WITHIN THE DISTRCT

Mr. Mellado of EHRA reviewed the February 11, 2025 Engineer's Report. They reached out to 7 contractors about the Request for Proposals on the Operators Building construction. The deadline was today and they have received 2 bids. The bids were higher than anticipated with one at \$816,000 and the other at \$850,000.

The Sanitary Sewer Infiltration report has been reviewed and EHRA will be meeting with Bill Rackley of Baxter & Woodman, Inc. the joint powers consultant, and then present the finding to the MUD 43 board.

Director Yazell made a motion to accept the Engineer's Report. Director Magee seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

## HEAR REPORT FROM TRESCHWIG JOINT POWERS BOARD ("TJPB") REPRESENTATIVE AND REVIEW THE MEETING MINUTES OF THE RECENT BOARD MEETING

Director Fagerburg reviewed the minutes from the recent board meeting. The wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) was at 55% capacity with no 2-hour peak flow excursions during the month.

The budget was approved and Director Fagerburg reviewed the budget with the board. All board members were in agreement with the budget as written and will formally approve and ratify at the next board meeting.

Director Fagerburg thanked TNG for timely submitting MUD 43's I&I report to TJPB.

## NORTH HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY ("NHCRWA") REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Director Magee reported on the NHCRWA meeting. The board president advised that she attended the AWBD conference and it was apparent that she attended the board ethics session as she was using terminology and phrases learned from that session.

The board discussed the Ground Water Reduction Plan (GRP) which would include additional cost and rate increases to those affected. The audience was very unhappy with the direction of the board so it was determined that a special "workshop" would take place on the topic prior to next month's meeting.

After hearing from an individual that Director Rowell invited to the meeting, she requested a Request For Proposals go out for a new financial advisor. Director Rowell also wanted to be on the committee that makes the decision.

Director Rowell wants Moss Adams to perform duties outside of the contract that was signed. The board's General Manager advised that we cannot expect work to be done that is outside of the contract parameters without additional compensation. Director Rowell felt there should not be an extra charge but the board agreed for an amount up to \$10,000.

Director Barker requested the architect go back on a project that has already been started to see if there are any changes that can be made to save money. It was explained that if they "go back" all the money spent and work done thus far would be wasted as it will all have to occur again. The General Manager advised that the original design is always the best method and lowest cost to the board.

Additional discussions were had on the Economic Impact Study, water rates, and their ability separate from the Subsidence District.

The next meeting will be on March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025.

HEAR REPORT FROM YELLOWSTONE REGARDING MAINTENANCE AND UPKEEP OF DRAINAGE FACILITIES AND AUTHORIZE ANY NECESSARY REPAIRS OR IMPROVEMENTS.

None

#### **DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

Director Magee gave a report on the AWBD conference.

Ther	e being	no o	ther	business	to com	e betore	the	Board,	the	meeting	was ac	ljourned	at 7:5	3 p.m.

Secretary, Board of Directors

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