Zapata Co. WCID Regular Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, April 23, 2025

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Zapata County Water Control & Improvement District (Highway 16E) convened on April 23, 2025 at 10:01 a.m. at the office of the District, pursuant to notice duly given as required by law.

- 1. Call Meeting to Order. A quorum being present, President Ramiro Ramirez, Jr. called the meeting to order and presided.
- 2. Roll Call. Directors present when the meeting was called to order were: Ramiro Ramirez, Jr., Sergio Lozano, Jaime Gonzalez and Jesse Porras. Also present were: Mireya Bustamante, Office Manager and Neida Guerra, Office Assistant.
- 3. Certification of Meeting Notice. It was determined that the notice of the date, place, and time of meeting was posted in accordance with Texas Government Code 551.043.
- 4. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. Ramiro Ramirez, Jr. led the Board in the invocation and pledge of allegiance.
- 5. Public Comment Period. No one appeared. No comment was received in any form prior to the meeting.
- 6. Minutes: The minutes of the March 23, 2025 Regular Board meeting were read, reviewed and discussed. The motion was made by Sergio Lozano and seconded by Jesse Porras to approve the minutes of the March 23, 2025 regular Board meeting. Following a discussion, the motion unanimously carried.
- 7. Field Supervisor's Report. None
- 8. Attorney's Report. A report was presented and discussed, there was no action necessary
- 9. District Engineer's Report A report was presented and discussed.
- 10. Receive Status Report for Booster Station Upgrades for La Mota and Bustamante Mr. Manuel Gonzalez, engineer, reported AEP was in the process of switching the electricity over to the new location. He also presented the plans to be reviewed. This item was tabled for the next regular Board meeting for further discussion.
- 11. Salomoneno Booster Station Relocation: Mr. Manuel Gonzalez, engineer, reported in regards to the decommissioning of the present Salomoneno Booster Station location. The new location will be recognized, not only as the Salomoneno Booster Station, but also as The Flores Booster Station Improvements location. This item was tabled for the next regular Board meeting for further discussion.

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- 12. Salomoneno Loop Project A report was presented and discussed by Mr. Manuel Gonzalez, engineer. This item was tabled for the next regular Board meeting for further discussion.
- 13. Discuss Account #112 (Rio Diablo Energy/ Block T) Table this item for next regular Board meeting for continued discussion and/or action.
- 14. A motion was made by Mr. Lozano and seconded by Mr. Jaime Gonzalez to approve the new employment of Veronica Bustamante, to replace the office assistant. This will take effect on May 5, 2025 and starting salary will be at \$12.00 per hour, changing to \$14.00 after an approved 3 months probation period. After a discussion, the motion unanimously carried.
- 15. The Board of Directors came to a decision to accept the resignation of Homero Flores III from the Board, effective immediately and considered new nominations for replacements.
- 16. A motion was made by Mr. Lozano and seconded by Mr. Jaime Gonzalez to approve the purchase of a complete new computer system for the District, including: computers, monitors, speakers and laptop. After a discussion, the motion unanimously carried.
- 17. Financials Reports: The reports for March 2025 were presented, reviewed and discussed.
- 18. Payable accounts and payroll checks paid for the month of April 2025 were discussed and reviewed. Payments were approved as presented.
- 19. Communications None

20. Adjournment: It was noted that the next Regular Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 28, 2025 at 10:00 AM. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:52 AM.

Ramiro Ramirez, Jr., President

Jesse Porras, Secretary

Date Approved