

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS
OF
JEFFERSON COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 6
HELD ON**

April 12, 2022

A. The meeting was called to order by Joshua W. Allen, Sr., President.

B. The following Directors were present:

Joshua W. Allen, Sr.	President
Charles "Chuck" Guillory	Secretary
Bernie Daleo	Vice President
Anthony "Tony" Malley, III	Director
Charles "Chuck" Kiker, III	Director (<i>Late Arrival</i>)

Directors Absent: None

Staff present:

Darin Auer	Fleet Supervisor
Doug Canant, PE, RPLS, CFM	District Engineer
J. Thad Heartfield	District's Legal Counsel
Steve Hubert	Shop Supervisor
Jason Jones	Superintendent
Paula Karasek	Executive Assistant
Dr. Joseph G. Majdalani, PE	General Manager
Chuck Oakley, CPA	Chief Financial Officer
Karen J. Stewart, MBA, CTP	Chief Business Officer
Chace Mann	Project Manager
Butch Wilson	Senior Engineer

Visitors: Mayor Barbara Emmons – Bevil Oaks
Bevil Oaks Councilman Bub Merendino
Mike Richard – Industrial Helicopters

C. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Allen.

D. Invocation was given by Mr. Oakely.

E. Workshop Session.

1. There were no easements, street abandonments, and plat reviews to discuss.
2. There were no general reports or discussions.

F. Public Comments: Citizens in attendance were given the opportunity to address the Board of Directors on agenda items or concerns not on the agenda. The District has retained the public comment cards reflecting individuals who addressed the Board.

Mayor Emmons thanked the District for all the efforts being put forth to improve drainage in the Bevil Oakes area and throughout the county, and how as Mayor, she is trying to help the residents in her community and others she comes in contact with to understand that DD6 is here to help. On behalf of the Board, Mr. Allen thanked Mayor Emmons for all the work she has done to assist the District in securing the many easements required to perform maintenance of the ditches in her community.

Councilman Merendino thank Dr. Majdalani and his staff for taking the time to attend a Bevil Oaks City Council meeting to explain the area the District covers, all the maintenance that is performed throughout the county, and the steps that it takes to get things done. Mr. Merendino advised the Board that they are very lucky to have the caliber of people the District has working for them. Every worker the residents have come in contact with has been very knowledgeable and happy to explain the work that is being done in the area. The District's force is "a great bunch who take pride in their jobs, and do a very good job!"

Mike Richard of Industrial Helicopters said that he was in attendance to answer any questions the Board might have regarding the recent bid solicitation for aerial herbicide spraying services. He thanked the Board for the District's past business, and advised the Board that the District's staff has been "top- notch to work with."

- G. The Minutes of March 8, 2022, were approved on a motion made by **Mr. Daleo**, seconded by **Mr. Malley**, with the voting as follows: ayes—all; nays—none.

H. Business session

1. Consider a resolution authorizing the payment of routine bills received since March 8, 2022, that were not expressly authorized or denied for payment elsewhere on this agenda.

Motion made by: **Mr. Guillory**
 Second by: **Mr. Malley**
 In favor: **Mr. Allen, Mr. Guillory, Mr. Daleo, Mr. Malley**
 Opposed: **None**
 Absent for vote: **Mr. Kiker**
 Action: **Authorized**

2. Acknowledge the receipt and filing of Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6's Investment Schedule for March 31, 2022, pursuant to Section 2256.023 of the Public Funds Investment Act.

Motion made by: **Mr. Daleo**
 Second by: **Mr. Guillory**
 In favor: **Mr. Allen, Mr. Guillory, Mr. Daleo, Mr. Malley**
 Absent for vote: **Mr. Kiker**
 Opposed: **None**
 Action: **Acknowledged**

3. Consider a resolution authorizing an amendment to the 2021-2022 Budget transferring a total of \$1,500,000 from the Fund Balance to the following budget categories:

Grant Revenues:	\$ 2,600,000
Materials and Supplies	\$ (500,000)
Heavy Equipment Repairs	\$ (100,000)
Capital Projects	<u>\$(3,500,000)</u>

TOTAL BUDGET AMENDMENT: \$(1,500,000)

Motion made by: **Mr. Daleo**
 Second by: **Mr. Guillory**
 In favor: **Mr. Allen, Mr. Guillory, Mr. Daleo, Mr. Malley**
 Opposed: **None**
 Absent for vote: **Mr. Kiker**
 Action: **Authorized**

Mr. Kiker arrived at this point in the meeting.

4. In connection with the Elinor Street Drainage Improvement TWDB/FMA Grant Project and the bid award to Texas Material Group d/b/a Gulf Coast for 8th Street Asphalt Repair (IFB 21-039), consider a resolution authorizing Change Order No. 1 to issue a \$3,333.00 credit against the original \$43,503.00 contract amount for quantities of asphalt not used.

Motion made by: **Mr. Malley**
 Second by: **Mr. Guillory**
 In favor: **Mr. Allen, Mr. Guillory, Mr. Daleo, Mr. Malley, Mr. Kiker**
 Opposed: **None**
 Action: **Authorized**

5. In connection with Requests for Qualifications received on March 10, 2022, for Professional Surveying Services for Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 (RFQ 22-004) accept qualifications received from firms listed below and hold for future evaluation on a project-by-project basis:

Sherwood Surveying & S.U.E.
Whitley Oliver, LLC
Arceneaux Wilson and Cole LLC
LJA Surveying
C.H. Fenstermaker & Associates, LLC
Shine & Associates

Motion made by: Mr. Malley
Second by: Mr. Daleo
In favor: Mr. Allen, Mr. Guillory, Mr. Daleo, Mr. Malley, Mr. Kiker
Opposed: None
Action: Qualifications Accepted


6. There was a brief discussion of the work being performed under the proposals, the proposal selection process, and the factors involved in the committee's evaluation. In connection with proposals received on February 3, 2022, for Aerial Services for Herbicide Application (RFP 21-035) and based on the Evaluation Committee's recommendation, consider a resolution ratifying an award and approving the execution of a contract with Industrial Helicopter (PROF 21-035).

Motion made by: Mr. Malley
Second by: Mr. Guillory
In favor: Mr. Allen, Mr. Guillory, Mr. Daleo, Mr. Malley
Opposed: Kiker
Action: Ratified and Approved

7. Consider a resolution rejecting the single bid received on March 17, 2022, in connection with Wooden Dragline and Laminated Truck Mats for the Phase II S. China Relief TDEM/HMGP Grant Project (IFB 22-006) in an attempt to reach more historically underutilized businesses (HUB).


Motion made by: Mr. Daleo
Second by: Mr. Malley
In favor: Mr. Allen, Mr. Guillory, Mr. Daleo, Mr. Malley, Mr. Kiker
Opposed: None
Action: Bid Rejected

8. Consider a resolution approving an award to Quality Mats in the amounts noted on the Final Bid Tabulation below, for the re-bid of Wooden Dragline and Laminated Truck Mats for Phase II S. China Relief TDEM/HMGP Grant Project (IFB 22-009), which was determined to be the lowest and best bid received on April 7, 2022, and also authorizing the execution of an Acceptance of Offer for this award.

	IFB 22-009/KJS Re-Bid Wooden Dragline and Laminated Truck Mats for Phase II China Relief Project			Quality Mats			Mat Tech LLC		
	Bids Opened: April 7, 2022 Final Tabulation: April 7, 2022 Two (2) Bids Received			6550 Tram Road Beaumont, Texas 77713 Phone: 409-898-1170 Contact: Don Couvillion denc@gmat.com			P.O. Box 1383 Alvin, Texas 77512 Phone: 281-3311449 Contact: Michael Tinninmike@mattechus.com Phone: 409-813-2796		
CORRUGATED ALUMINUM PIPE for CHINA PHASE II									
Item No.	Description	Unit	Estimated Quantity	Unit Price	Total Price	Delivery Date	Unit Price	Total Price	Delivery Date
1	Wooden Dragline Mats	Ea.	14	\$ 3,805.00	\$ 53,270.00	15 Days ARO	\$ 5,600.00	\$ 78,400.00	Not Provided
2	3-Ply Laminated Mats	Ea.	60	\$ 1,124.16	\$ 67,449.60	10 Days ARO	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 72,000.00	Not Provided
				\$	120,719.60		\$	150,400.00	

Motion made by: Mr. Daleo
 Second by: Mr. Malley
 In favor: Mr. Allen, Mr. Guillory, Mr. Daleo, Mr. Malley, Mr. Kiker
 Opposed: None
 Action: Approved and Authorized

9. In connection with the McLean Street Drainage Improvement TWDB/FMA Grant Project, consider a resolution ratifying an award and the March 15, 2022, execution of a contract with BDS Constructors, LLC, d/b/a MK Construction for boring under the Union Pacific railroad (IFB 22-002) in the amount shown on the Final Bid Tabulation below:

	IFB 22-002/KJS McLean St. Drainage Improvements with Boring Under Union Pacific Railroad Bids Opened: March 10, 2022 Final Tabulation: March 15, 2022 Two (2) Bids Received			Allco 6720 College Beaumont, Texas 77707 Phone: 409-860-4459 Contact: T.W. Harrison tharrison@allco.com		MK Constructors 16736 IH 10 Vidor, Texas 77662 Phone: 409-769-0089 Contact: Michael Brown carrie@mkconstructors.com	
	Line	Description	Total	Total			
1	McLean St. Drainage Improvements with Boring Under Union Pacific Railroad	\$	1,575,000.00	\$	1,240,000.00		


Motion made by: Mr. Malley
 Second by: Mr. Guillory
 In favor: Mr. Allen, Mr. Guillory, Mr. Daleo, Mr. Malley, Mr. Kiker
 Opposed: None
 Action: Ratified

10. In connection with the McLean Street Drainage Improvement TWDB/FMA Grant Project, consider a resolution approving awards to Coburn Supply Co. and ACT Pipe & Supply for Storm Pipe Materials and Water/Sewer Pipe Materials for McLean Street Drainage Improvements (IFB 22-007), in the amounts noted on the attached Final Bid Tabulation; and also authorizing the execution of Acceptance of Offers for same.

IFB 22-007/K/S Storm Pipe Materials, and Water and Sewer Pipe Materials for McLean Drainage Improvement Project					Coburn Supply Co.		ACT Pipe & Supply	
Bids Opened: March 31, Final Tabulation: April 7, 2022 Two (2) Bids Received					1000 Bowie St. Beaumont, Texas 77701 Phone: 409-835-1447 Contact: Matt Hebert mhebert@coburns.com		1405 Ashley St. Beaumont, Texas 77701 Attn: Rick Raspberry rraspberry@actpipe.com Phone: 409-813-2706	
Drainage Materials McLean								
Item No.	Code	Description	Unit	Estimated Quantity	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price
462	001	Concrete Box Culverts (8'x3'x8')	L.F.	504	\$ 754.00	\$ 380,016.00	NB	NB
465	001	Catch Basin 60"x60"x66" (Bottom/72"x72") w/6" Slab Top & Cast Iron Grate (Rock Solid Precast Part No.	Ea.	18	\$ 3,109.00	\$ 55,962.00	NB	NB
465	002	Catch Basin 30"x30"x48" (Bottom/42"x42") w/6" Slab Top & 6" Riser & Cast Iron Grate (Rock Solid	Ea.	23	\$ 1,261.00	\$ 29,003.00	NB	NB
465	003	City of Beaumont Standard Ring and Cover (Storm)	Ea.	2	\$ 210.00	\$ 420.00	\$ 321.05	\$ 642.10
9999	001	HP Storm Pipe (42"x20") (Item#4250020IBPL1)	L.F.	4,420	\$ 68.34	\$ 302,062.80	\$ 68.07	\$ 300,869.40
9999	002	HP Storm Pipe (24"x20") (Item#2450020IBPL1)	L.F.	4,100	\$ 29.79	\$ 122,139.00	\$ 29.68	\$ 121,688.00
9999	003	HP Storm Tee (42")	Ea.	7	\$ 4,902.63	\$ 34,318.41	\$ 5,130.10	\$ 35,910.70
9999	004	HP Storm Tee (24")	Ea.	14	\$ 2,146.89	\$ 30,056.46	\$ 2,246.50	\$ 31,451.00
9999	005	HP Storm 45° Fitting (42")	Ea.	4	\$ 1,681.32	\$ 6,725.28	\$ 1,759.33	\$ 7,037.32
9999	006	HP Storm 45° Fitting (24")	Ea.	1	\$ 936.88	\$ 936.88	\$ 980.34	\$ 980.34
9999	008	HP Storm Tee (42"x24" Eccentric)	Ea.	14	\$ 2,376.25	\$ 33,267.50	\$ 2,486.50	\$ 34,811.00
Water and Sewer Materials McLean								
Item No.	Code	Description	Unit	Estimated Quantity	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price
702	001	8-inch PVC SDR-26, Sewerline	L.F.	130	\$ 12.33	\$ 1,602.90	\$ 14.26	\$ 1,853.80
702	002	10-inch PVC SDR-26, Sewerline	L.F.	1,110	\$ 21.55	\$ 23,920.50	\$ 22.19	\$ 24,630.90
702	003	4-inch PVC SDR-26, Sewerline	L.F.	50	\$ 3.05	\$ 152.50	\$ 3.51	\$ 175.50
708	001	Fiberglass Manholes (<30 FT.) To Include Frame and Grates	Ea.	7	\$ 1,667.00	\$ 11,669.00	\$ 1,384.60	\$ 9,692.20
708	002	City of Beaumont Standard Ring and Cover with Stainless Steel Inflow prevention Device (Sewer)	Ea.	8	\$ 801.00	\$ 6,408.00	\$ 823.08	\$ 6,584.64
801	001	6" MJ with 45 degree bend	Ea.	29	\$ 84.76	\$ 2,458.04	\$ 96.83	\$ 2,808.07
801	002	6" MJ with 90 degree bend	Ea.	1	\$ 104.63	\$ 104.63	\$ 119.52	\$ 119.52
801	003	6"x6" MJ Cross	Ea.	3	\$ 218.45	\$ 655.35	\$ 249.55	\$ 748.65
801	004	6"x6" MJ Tee	Ea.	3	\$ 150.16	\$ 450.48	\$ 171.53	\$ 514.59
801	005	6" Hymax Adapter	Ea.	11	\$ 252.05	\$ 2,772.55	\$ 304.36	\$ 3,347.96
808	001	Fire Hydrant Assembly, To Include Valves (Tyler Swivel Tee #5-125 Tapping Saddle or Approved Equal)	Ea.	2	\$ 42.79	\$ 85.58	NB	NB
810	001	6" PVC class 150-C-900 PVC, Waterline (Use This material for Valve Riser Extension)	L.F.	1,500	\$ 11.45	\$ 17,175.00	\$ 13.25	\$ 19,875.00
811	001	6" Resilient Wedge Gate Valve & Valve Box (Megalog MJ Restraint)	Ea.	17	\$ 832.29	\$ 14,148.93	\$ 599.95	\$ 10,199.15
2505	001	1" HDPE PE3408 SDR-9, 200 psi service connections	LF	1,500	\$ 0.48	\$ 720.00	\$ 0.70	\$ 1,050.00
2505	002	Bronze Service Saddle Smith-Blair or Approved Equal	Ea.	50	\$ 74.60	\$ 3,730.00	\$ 67.89	\$ 3,394.50
2505	004	Corporation Stop Hayes 5200 or Approved Equal	Ea.	50	\$ 57.07	\$ 2,853.50	\$ 59.57	\$ 2,978.50
2505	004	HDPE Socket Male Adapter	Ea.	50	NB	NB	\$ 26.86	\$ 1,343.00
2505	005	Jones Corporation Stop or Approved Equal	Ea.	50	\$ 131.40	\$ 6,570.00	\$ 64.46	\$ 3,223.00
2534	001	4" service connection w/4" PVC Schedule 40 pipe	LF	100	NB	NB	\$ 5.31	\$ 531.00

Motion made by: Mr. Malley
Second by: Mr. Daleo
In favor: Mr. Allen, Mr. Guillory, Mr. Daleo, Mr. Malley, Mr. Kiker
Opposed: None
Action: Approved and Authorized

11. In connection with Phase II S. China Relief TDEM/HMGP Grant Project, consider a resolution approving awards to Coburn Supply Co. and Seabreeze Culvert for Storm Pipe Materials and Water/Sewer Pipe Materials for the HDPE Pipe, Concrete Box Culverts, and Corrugated Aluminum Pipe for Phase II S. China Relief Project (IFB 22-008), in the amounts noted on the attached Final Bid Tabulation; and also authorizing the execution of Acceptance of Offers for same.

	IFB 22-007/KIS HDPE Pipe, Concrete Box Culverts, and Corrugated Aluminum Pipe for Phase II China Relief Project			Coburn Supply Co. 1000 Bowie St. Beaumont, Texas 77701 Phone: 409-835-1447 Contact: Matt Hebert mhebert@coburns.com		ACT Pipe & Supply 1405 Ashley St. Beaumont, Texas 77701 Attn: Rick Raspberry rraspberry@actpipe.com Phone: 409-813-2796		Seabreeze P.O. Box 6 Stowell, Texas 77661 Attn: Ed Meaux ed@seabreeze-culvert.com Phone: 409-296-4098	
	Bids Opened: March 31, 2022 Final Tabulation: April 7, 2022 Two (2) Bids Received								
CORRUGATED ALUMINUM PIPE for CHINA PHASE II									
Item No.	Description	Unit	Estimated Quantity	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price
1	(460) Corrugated 12 Ga. Aluminum Pipe (3:1 Corr.) (24") (30' sections)	L.F.	510	\$ 84.12	\$ 42,901.20	NB	NB	\$ 82.70	\$ 42,177.00
2	(460) Corrugated 12 Ga. Aluminum Pipe (3:1 Corr.) (42") (30' sections)	L.F.	720	\$ 162.65	\$ 117,108.00	NB	NB	\$ 168.20	\$ 121,104.00
3	(460) 12 Ga. Aluminum Flange (24")	Ea.	36		\$ -	NB	NB	\$ 150.00	\$ 5,400.00
4	(460) 12 Ga. Aluminum Flange (42")	Ea.	48		\$ -	NB	NB	\$ 285.00	\$ 13,680.00
CONCRETE BOX CULVERTS for CHINA PHASE II									
Item No.	Description	Unit	Estimated Quantity	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price
5	(462) Concrete Box Culvert (45 - 7'X7') (8' Long) (FH<2)	L.F.	360	\$ 650.00	\$ 234,000.00	NB	NB	\$ 686.00	\$ 246,960.00
6	(462) Concrete Box Culvert (56 - 8'X8') (6' Long) (FH<2)	L.F.	336	\$ 760.00	\$ 255,360.00	NB	NB	\$ 803.00	\$ 269,808.00
7	(462) Concrete Box Culvert (12 - 8'X8') (8' Long) (FH<2)	L.F.	96	\$ 760.00	\$ 72,960.00	NB	NB	NB	NB
8	(462) Concrete Box Culvert (3 - 8'X8') (10' long) (Spd) (FH<2)	L.F.	30	\$ 760.00	\$ 22,800.00	NB	NB	NB	NB
HDPE PIPE for CHINA PHASE II									
Item No.	Description	Unit	Estimated Quantity	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price
9	HDPE Pipe (24")	L.F.	5,560	\$ 29.79	\$ 165,632.40	\$ 29.68	\$ 165,020.80	\$ 20.83	\$ 115,814.80
10	HDPE Pipe (30")	L.F.	300	\$ 47.07	\$ 14,121.00	\$ 46.54	\$ 13,962.00	\$ 32.46	\$ 9,738.00
11	HDPE Pipe (36")	L.F.	180	\$ 51.75	\$ 9,315.00	\$ 51.14	\$ 9,205.20	\$ 42.50	\$ 7,650.00
12	HDPE Pipe (42")	L.F.	360	\$ 68.34	\$ 24,602.40	\$ 68.07	\$ 24,505.20	\$ 54.90	\$ 19,764.00
13	HDPE Pipe (48")	L.F.	560	\$ 87.83	\$ 49,184.80	\$ 86.84	\$ 48,630.40	\$ 74.05	\$ 41,468.00
14	HDPE Pipe (60")	L.F.	80	\$ 128.15	\$ 10,252.00	\$ 126.72	\$ 10,137.60	\$ 102.20	\$ 8,176.00

Motion made by: Mr. Malley

Second by: Mr. Daleo

In favor: Mr. Allen, Mr. Guillory, Mr. Daleo, Mr. Malley, Mr. Kiker

Opposed: None

Note: At the General Manager's request, Item Nos. 9-14 (HDPE for China Phase II) are to be excluded from this bid award consideration.

Action: Approved Items No. 1-8 with the exclusion of Items No. 9-14
Authorized execution of Acceptance of Offers for Items No. 1-8.

12. In association with the 2020 TWDB/FMA grant applications and pursuant to the authority given to the General Manager on March 8, 2022, consider a resolution ratifying the March 31, 2022, execution of three (3) Professional Services Agreements for environmental assessment work on Ditch No. 505, Ditch No. 600, and S. Nome area as follows:

Prof 20-040/Ditch 505 Community Flood Control
Detention to Freese Nichols in an amount not to exceed
\$73,443.00.

Prof 20-040/Ditch 600 Community Flood Control
Detention to Freese Nichols in an amount not to exceed
\$73,443.00.

Prof 20-040/S. Nome Community Flood Control
Detention to Freese Nichols in an amount not to exceed
\$103,947.00.

Motion made by: Mr. Malley
Second by: Mr. Guillory
In favor: Mr. Allen, Mr. Guillory, Mr. Daleo, Mr. Malley, Mr. Kiker
Opposed: None
Action: Ratified

13. In connection with the Ditch No. 117 (Briarcliff-Central) drainage improvement project, consider a resolution accepting a General Warranty Deed received from Le's Beaumont Family Investment, LP, consisting of a 0.274-acre tract of land out of the A. Williams Survey, Abstract 385, Beaumont, Jefferson County, Texas; and also authorizing payment to Le's Beaumont Family Investment, LP in the amount of \$20,000.00 (the appraised value) for this deed.

Motion made by: Mr.
Second by: Mr.
In favor: Mr. Allen, Mr. Guillory, Mr. Daleo, Mr. Malley, Mr. Kiker
Opposed: None
Action: Deed Accepted and Payment Authorized

14. In connection with the Ditch No. 117 (Briarcliff-Central) drainage improvement project, consider a resolution accepting a Drainage Easement donated by James M. Patton consisting of a 22-ft wide strip of land along Ditch No. 117 located in the Hezekiah Williams Survey, Abstract 56, Jefferson County, Texas.

Motion made by: Mr. Malley
Second by: Mr. Guillory
In favor: Mr. Allen, Mr. Guillory, Mr. Daleo, Mr. Malley, Mr. Kiker
Opposed: None
Action: Easement Accepted

15. In connection with the Ditch No. 117 (Briarcliff-Central) drainage improvement project, consider a resolution accepting a Drainage Easement and Temporary Access Easement donated by the Woodland Baptist Church consisting of a 22-ft wide drainage easement along Ditch No. 117 located in the Hezekiah Williams Survey, Abstract 56, Jefferson County, Texas.

Motion made by: Mr. Daleo
Second by: Mr. Malley
In favor: Mr. Allen, Mr. Guillory, Mr. Daleo, Mr. Malley, Mr. Kiker
Opposed: None
Action: Easement Accepted

16. In connection with drainage improvements on Ditch No. 407-F (N. Green acres), consider a resolution authorizing the execution of a March 25, 2022 Letter of Agreement between Drainage District No. 6 and Dr. David E. Sonnier DDS, PLLC (on file in the District's records) wherein Drainage District No. 6 agrees to perform certain work on his property in exchange for the conveyance of a 10-ft wide Drainage Easement along Ditch No. 407-F.

Motion made by: Mr. Daleo

Second by: Mr. Kiker

In favor: Mr. Allen, Mr. Guillory, Mr. Daleo, Mr. Malley, Mr. Kiker

Opposed: None

Action: Authorized

17. Pursuant to a March 25, 2022 Letter of Agreement, consider a resolution accepting a Drainage Easement from Dr. David E. Sonnier, DDS, PLLC, consisting of a 10-ft wide strip of land along Ditch No. 407-F (N. Green Acres), located in the John C. Lawhon Survey, Abstract 35 in Jefferson County, Texas.

Motion made by: Mr. Daleo

Second by: Mr. Kiker

In favor: Mr. Allen, Mr. Guillory, Mr. Daleo, Mr. Malley, Mr. Kiker

Opposed: None

Action: Easement Accepted

18. In connection with drainage improvements on Ditch No. 1204 (Bevil Oaks), consider a resolution accepting a Drainage Easement donated by Dale Darby consisting of the actual width of Ditch 1204, including improvements, plus 25 feet on each side of the ditch tops where the ditch lies on his property located in Jefferson County, Texas (William C. Dyches Survey, Abstract 112), Jefferson County, Texas.

Motion made by: Mr. Guillory

Second by: Mr. Daleo

In favor: Mr. Allen, Mr. Guillory, Mr. Daleo, Mr. Malley, Mr. Kiker

Opposed: None

Action: Easement Accepted

I. Board and Staff Comments, no action items.

Mr. Malley thanked Mayor Emmons and Councilman Merendino for attending and expressed his appreciation for all their assistance.

Mr. Guillory also thanked Mayor Emmons and Councilman Merendino for all their help in keeping the District informed, and he thanked Jason Jones and his crews for all the work they are doing, "great job."

Mr. Daleo thanked the residents of Bevil Oaks for working with the District, as well as staff for all their efforts and the good work they are doing.


Mr. Kiker ask if Item No. 12 had anything to do with new detention ponds. Dr. Majdalani stated that the three new projects were for detention ponds, and then explained that FEMA grants are now requiring that environmental studies be performed for grants applications. Mr. Majdalani explained that the District is only applying for the grant funds offered, and if awarded, the funds could be used for the proposed projects; and that the local match, if any, is in many instances offset by the work generated. Mr. Allen stated that "we can't get the grants unless the study is performed" and he went on to say that "the District is receiving money outside of the taxpayers' dollars to improve drainage, and it would be foolish not to pursue them." Mr. Canant continued the discussion, with input from Mr. Oakley and Mrs. Stewart, by elaborating on the grant process, giving a brief explanation of the three proposed projects, and explaining when the applications and contracts are brought before the Board for consideration. He further advised that in the past, environmental work could be performed after the grant was awarded; however, the rules have now changed and environmental is required prior to the grant award.

Mr. Kiker requested an update on the Needmore windows permit amendment. Mr. Canant stated that the Corps of Engineers has completed the first round of reviews and they have asked for additional information, which the Engineering Department is in the process of responding to.

Mr. Allen thanked the staff for all their efforts and hard work. He knows that the grant process is very technical, and it takes a lot of team effort from everyone. He noted that the District has received over \$150 million in grants over the last few years, which is money outside the taxpayers' money to improve drainage. Mr. Allen mentioned that there are a lot more funds out there, and he is hopeful that the District can receive some future grants, which will benefit all the taxpayers.

Dr. Majdalani complimented the staff and expressed his appreciation for all that they do.

- J. There were no other comments or discussions and the Board President called for the meeting to be adjourned.


Secretary/Asst. Secretary