

MINUTES
Real-Edward Conservation & Reclamation District
Public Hearing on District FY 2021 Budget
Public Hearing on 2020 District Tax Rate
Special Open Meeting
September 16, 2020

The following members were present at the PUBLIC HEARINGS ON DISTRICT FY 2021 BUDGET AND FY 2020 TAX RATE for the Real-Edwards Conservation & Reclamation District: Glynn Hendley, Stan Cottle, Sam Epperson, Curry Campbell, Pablo “Beatsie” Rubio, Volney Hough, and Roland “Tooter” Trees. Seven board members were present resulting in met quorum. Rudy Gonzalez and Bob Burditt was absent. Also present was Joel Pigg, Consulting Manager, and Tina Ashley, Office Assistant. There were no others in attendance.

1. President Tooter Trees called to Order the Public Hearings on District FY2021 Budget and the Tax Rate for FY2020 at 6:02 p.m.
2. There were no public guests in attendance, therefore no public comments or questions were addressed.
3. A motion was made by Curry Campbell and second by Glynn Hendley to adjourn.

Motion Approved: 7-0

Public Hearings were adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

The following members were present at the Board of Directors Special called meeting for the Real-Edwards Conservation and Reclamation District: Glynn Hendley, Stan Cottle, Sam Epperson, Curry Campbell, Pablo “Beatsie” Rubio, Volney Hough, Roland “Tooter” Trees, and arriving late was Rudy Gonzalez (6:42 p.m). Eight board members were present resulting in met quorum. Bob Burditt was absent. Also present was Joel Pigg, Consulting Manager, and Tina Ashley, Office Assistant. There were no others in attendance.

1. President Tooter Trees called to order the Special Called Open meeting to Order at 6:08 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Tooter Trees.
3. There were no visitors. Tooter relayed that he had spoken with Kelly Early from Rep. Murr’s office regarding legislation. Nothing to be on our radar for underground water as COVID-19 will take centerstage.

4. Consider for Approval Edwards County 2020 Certified Tax Values:

Consulting Manager, Joel Pigg, presented that we received 2020 certified tax values from Edwards County in July 2020. These documents show \$734,213,537.00 as calculated by Edwards County Chief Tax Appraiser.

Motion to accept and approve Edwards County 2020 Certified Tax Values was made by Sam Epperson and Seconded by Stan Cottle.

Motion Approved: 7-0

5. Consider for Approval Real County 2020 Certified Tax Values:

Consulting Manager, Joel Pigg, presented that we received 2020 certified tax values from Real County in July 2020. These documents show \$544,366,223.00 as calculated by Real County Chief Tax Appraiser.

Motion to accept and approve Real County 2020 Certified Tax Values was made by Beatsie Rubio and Seconded by Glynn Hendley.

Motion Approved: 7-0

6. Discussion on Input from Public Hearing on FY 2021 Budget.

There was no discussion.

7. Consider for Approval Adoption of FY 2021 Budget. (Budgeted Expenses of \$216,203.00 and Revenues of \$264,716.00)

Board members discussed adjusting manager salary to \$50,000, technician salary to \$45,000 which will decrease budget projected balance to \$19,513 as surplus.

Motion was made to accept and approve FY2021 Budget with stated amendments to manager salary and technician salary by Sam Epperson and Seconded by Glynn Hendley.

Motion Approved: 8-0

8. Discussion on input from Public Hearing on 2020 Tax Rate.

No discussion necessary as no guests were present.

9. Consider for Approval Tax Rate for FY 2020 (\$0.02/\$100 valuation)

Consulting Manager, Joel Pigg, recommended leave tax rate as is for both Edwards and Real counties.

Motion to approve Tax Rate for FY2020 (\$0.02/\$100 valuation) was made by Curry Campbell and Seconded by Stan Cottle.

Motion Approved: 8-0

10. Discussion and Possible Action on Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Amendments.

According to calculations and documents, the District was successful in staying under budget.

Motion to approve FY2020 Budget Amendments was made by Glynn Hendley and Seconded by Rudy Gonzalez.

Motion Approved: 8-0

11. Discussion and Possible Action on District Auditor for FY 2020.

All agreed that Neffendorf & Knopp, P.C. in Fredericksburg, Texas, has done a fine job in the past and we will contact them for our FY2020 audit.

Motion to contact and contract for audit Neffendorf & Knopp, P.C. was made by Stan Cottle and Seconded by Sam Epperson.

Motion Approved: 8-0

12. Discussion and Action on Certification of Unopposed Candidates for November 3rd 2020 Board of Directors Election.

No paperwork to oppose our incumbent Board Members (Positions #1, #2, #3, and #4) was filed in the timeframe posted publicly according to election and District rules.

Motion to approve and file Certification of Unopposed Candidates for the November 3, 2020 Board of Directors Election was made by Curry Campbell and Seconded by Sam Epperson.

Motion Approved: 8-0

13. Discussion and Action on Order of Cancellation of November 3rd 2020 Board of Directors Election.

No paperwork to oppose our incumbent Board Members (Positions #1, #2, #3, and #4) was filed in the timeframe posted publicly according to election and District rules.

Motion to approve and file Order of Cancellation of the November 3, 2020 Board of Directors Election was made by Rudy Gonzalez and Seconded by Glynn Hendley.

Motion Approved: 8-0

14. Discussion and Action on Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Risk Pool Board of Trustees Election.

Information and instructions for the TML Risk Pool Board of Trustees Election was read and understood.

Motion made to vote for incumbents except for Place 4 where Kimberly Meisner was agreed to get the vote.

Motion Approved: 8-0

15. Discussion and Possible Action on Personnel Issues:

A part-time Field Technician is deemed beneficial to the District. The position will be publicly advertised as part-time (36 hours per week). Beginning pay at \$12/hour. Interviews will be handled by Joel Pigg.

Tina has been set to salary as of September 1, 2020, with paychecks to be direct deposited.

16. Set Time and Date for Next Meeting. (Wednesday, October 21st 2020)

Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 21, 2020. We will host the meeting virtually through the Zoom platform with base location at the RECRD building in Leakey.

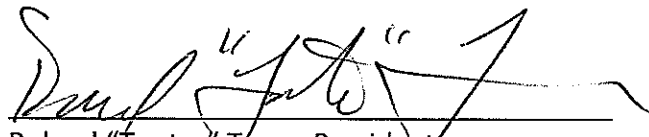
17. Adjourn.

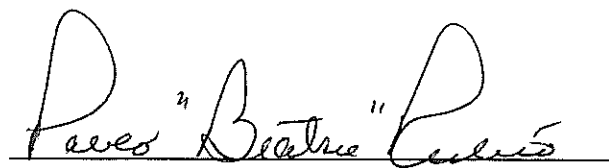
Motion to adjourn Special Open Meeting was made by Sam Epperson and Seconded by Rudy Gonzalez.

Motion Approved: 8-0 Meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

THEREFORE, ON THIS THE 27th DAY OF OCTOBER 2020, THESE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR QUARTERLY MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 16, 2020, ARE HEREBY APPROVED AND ADOPTED.

ATTEST:


Roland "Tooter" Trees, President


William R. Burditt, Vice President
Pablo "Beatsie" Rubio, Secretary