



**MINUTES of the REAL-EDWARDS CONSERVATION & RECLAMATION DISTRICT  
Public Hearing on Application for Operating Permit by Jimmy Dick Evans  
and  
1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Regular Open Meeting  
January 18, 2023**

**District Office, 234 Evergreen Street, Texas – 6:00 p.m.**

**PUBLIC HEARING ON APPLICATION FOR OPERATING PERMIT**

Seven (7) Board members were Present resulting in met quorum; Tooter Trees; Glynn Hendley, Beatsie Rubio, Dub Suttle, Volney Hough, Curry Campbell, and Sam Epperson. Absent Board member: Rudy Gonzalez. Office Staff attending were Joel Pigg, Brian Leiker, and Tina Ashley.

Guests present: Stan Cottle (previous Board member), Kent Dunbar (to-be sworn in Board member), Bobby Cottle, and Keegan Allen representing Real County Appraisal District.

1. Board President Tooter Trees determined a MET QUORUM, therefore proceeded to CALL TO ORDER THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 6:00 P.M. requesting public input regarding Application for Operating Permit by Jimmy Dick Evans (Edwards County).

President Trees determined public notice was posted by the 10-day requirement and timely notice was given to applicant and anyone else entitled to notice.

President Trees determined if application was in order according to District Rules.

President Trees read the District guidelines for public comment.

2. Public Hearing commenced.

President Trees requested public comment. No comment from public guests.

President Trees requested recommendation from Consulting Manager, Joel Pigg. Mr. Pigg stated he knew of no reason to deny the application.

President Trees requested comments from Board members. No Board member commented.

3. Adjourn.

Motion to adjourn Public Hearing was made by Glynn Hendley and second by Sam Epperson.

**Motion Approved: 7-0**

4. Public Hearing adjourned at 6:03 P.M.

## **REGULARLY SCHEDULED DISTRICT BOARD MEETING**

Eight (8) Board members were PRESENT resulting in met quorum: Tooter Trees, Glynn Hendley, Beatsie Rubio, Dub Suttle, Volney Hough, Curry Campbell, Sam Epperson and Kent Dunbar.

ABSENT Board member: Rudy Gonzalez.

Office staff present: Field Technician, Brian Leiker, and Office Assistant, Tina Ashley.

Guests/Public present: Stan Cottle, Bobby Cottle, and Keegan Allen representing Real County Appraisal District.

1. Vice-President Glynn Hendley determined MET QUORUM, therefore proceeded to CALL TO ORDER the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Regular Open Meeting at 6:07 P.M.

2. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Glynn Hendley.

3. Guests and public were welcomed.

4. Newly Uncontested District Board Members Took Oath of Office and Statement of Officer.

Mrs. Ashley provided notarial service for the Oath of Office for Tooter Trees, Beatsie Rubio, Sam Epperson, and Kent Dunbar. All four gentlemen also signed Statement of Officer. Mrs. Ashley will provide original copies to Secretary of State. Rudy Gonzalez will need to take Oath of Office and sign Statement of Officer at his earliest convenience since he was absent.

5. Discussion and Possible Action on Selecting of District Board Officers.

Comments were made to continue with previous elected officials being President: Tooter Trees; Vice-President: Glynn Hendley; and Secretary: Beatsie Rubio

Stan Cottle, stepping down from District Board, was presented with an appreciation plaque for his many years of dedication and service.

Motion to approve Board officers by Sam Epperson / Second by Dub Suttle

**Motion Approved: 8 - 0**

6. Consider for Approval Minutes from 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Regular Meeting on October 19, 2022.

Discussion:

Motion to approve Minutes from the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Regular Meeting on October 19, 2022, by Sam Epperson / Second by Glynn Hendley.

**Motion Approved: 8 - 0**

7. Discussion regarding District Reports:

a. Financial Statements and Financial Reports – presented by Joel Pigg.

i. Contribute additional funds to TXN CD and to FSB CD both due to renew in January.

- ii. *Edit reports to reflect name change from Hondo Bank to TXN bank.*
- b. Operating Permit Renewal Report – presented by Tina Ashley
- c. FY2022 Pumping Report – presented by Tina Ashley
- d. Website – presented by Tina Ashley
- e. Well Report – presented by Brian Leiker
- f. Water Quality Screen Report – presented by Brian Leiker
- g. River Flows Report – presented by Brian Leiker
- h. Rainfall Record and Drought Assessment of the District – presented by Brian Leiker  
*Drought Stage 4 (as of June 2022) status remains in effect.*

**8.** Discussion and Possible Action on Operating Permit Application by Jimmy Dick Evans.

Consulting Manager restated his recommendation to approve the application.

Motion to Approve Application by Beatsie Rubio / second by Dub Suttle.

**Motion Approved: 8-0**

**9.** Discussion and Possible Action on Telemetry for Well Monitoring Equipment.

Mr. Leiker stated data being collected is inadequate due to timing and lack of ability to transmit by cell or satellite communication. He will continue to assess the problems and determine an adequate as well as costly solution. Discussion and action tabled until further investigation.

Mr. Pigg brought up conversations from by counties regarding water availability studies to impact possible changes in subdividing properties. Reliable well monitoring equipment would be beneficial to aid the process. He is consulting with Collier Consulting, Inc. to begin the process of building water availability science in both Real and Edwards counties. More information to follow with the Board's approval.

Motion to Approve Proceeding Gathering Information with Collier Consulting by Glynn Hendley / Second by Dub Suttle.

**Motion to Approve: 8-0**

**10.** Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Real County Appraisal District Issue.

Real County sees their delegate on the RCAD Board as inaccurately representing them in matters decided by the RCAD Board.

Motion to grant Consulting Manager and Board President to discuss and present action for the District to RCAD concerning this particular matter by Curry Campbell / Second by Volney Hough.

**Motion to Approve: 8-0**

**11. Discussion and Possible Action on Personnel/Budget Issues.**

Mrs. Ashley handed out questionnaire from Neffendorf & Blocker, and Conflict of Interest form for Board members to complete. *Contact Neffendorf staff to inform of upcoming April meeting and request them present Board with Audit Report.*

No Discussion.

**12. Set Time and Date for Next Meeting. (April 2023)**

*Tentative date scheduled for Wednesday, April 19, 2023.*

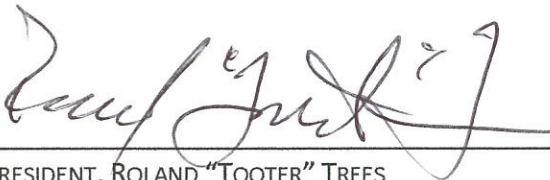
**13. Adjourn at 7:24 P.M.**

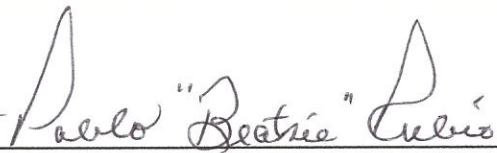
Motion to adjourn Meeting by Sam Epperson / Second by Volney Hough.

**Motion Approved: 8-0**

THEREFORE, ON THIS THE 12<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2023, THESE MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING AND 1<sup>ST</sup> QUARTER REGULAR DISTRICT MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 18, 2023, ARE HEREBY APPROVED AND ADOPTED.

**ATTEST:**

  
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PRESIDENT, ROLAND "TOOTER" TREES

  
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SECRETARY, PABLO "BEATSIE" RUBIO

**ALTERNATE BOARD OFFICER (IF CASE OF ABSENCE OF PRESIDENT/SECRETARY):**

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VICE PRESIDENT, GLYNN HENDLEY