

JASPER COUNTY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 1

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of Jasper County Development District No.1 will hold a special meeting on August 8, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. at Rayburn Resort Club House, 212 Country Club Blvd., Brookeland, Texas, inside the boundaries of the District, to discuss and act upon the following items:

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Certification of meeting notice.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2. June 1, 2022 Meeting.
3. June 13, 2022 Meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORT

PAYMENT OF BILLS

4. Director Dally expense reimbursement.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

5. To interview/review Board (Director) Candidate(s) per Texas Government Code §551.074.

ACTION ITEMS

6. Reconvene from Executive Session to act on recommendation of a candidate to Jasper County Commissioners Court for Director Jasper County Development District No. 1.
7. Report on Rayburn Recreational District by Director Wise.
8. Consideration of funding request Sealy Big Bass Splash Fall Tournament.
9. Consideration of funding request Pavilion winter repairs.
10. Consideration of SE Texas High School Tournaments.
11. Consideration of 2023 Outlaw Outdoors Tournaments.
12. Consideration of adjusting District Boundary.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

13. Chamber of Commerce HOT Fund meeting report.
14. Update of a possible High School Final tournament in 2023 – Ray Beck.
15. Items as presented.

ADJOURNMENT

HOLLY THOMAS, COUNTY CLERK
JASPER COUNTY, TEXAS

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By Christine Webb
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**MINUTES OF THE JASPER COUNTY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 1
AUGUST 8, 2022**

The Board of Directors of the Jasper County Development District No. 1 (the District) held a special meeting, open to the public on August 8, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. at the Rayburn Resort Country Club, 212 Country Club Drive Brookeland, Texas 75931 located within the District. The roll was called of the duly appointed members of the Board to discuss and act on the following items:

BOARD MEMBERS

Gary Collins	President	Absent
Randall Dally	Vice President	Present
Brent Meaux	Secretary	Present
Jimmy Castino	Member	Present
Lisa Wise	Member	Present

Others in Attendance: Seth Martindale Jasper County Commissioner Precinct #1, Ray Beck Umphrey Family Pavilion Board, Brenda Job Rayburn Realty.

CERTIFICATION OF PUBLIC NOTICE:

Director Dally presented the Certification of Public Notice.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

In consideration of guests Director Dally moved the executive session ahead of the consent agenda to interview Board candidates to replace Director Collins per Texas Government Code §551.074. Candidates were: Brenda Job, Ray Beck, Shane Allman and Peter Stoeckel.

The Board moved to Executive Session at 9:04 a.m.

The Board reconvened at 10:21 a.m.

ACTION ITEM:

RECOMMENDATION TO COMMISSIONERS COURT FOR BOARD DIRECTOR.

The Board publicly thanked all the applicants for their interest and understanding the commitments prevented two of the applicants from attending the meeting. The Board considered all applicants.

The Board discussed their thinking of the overall area and the need for a coordinated marketing program for the area as well as the immediate need for marketing the Umphrey Pavilion to the full potential. The Board considered the offer from Brenda Job to serve on either board and her expertise in marketing as well as her vision of a recreation area would help the Pavilion Board look beyond tournaments and market the Pavilion to many other outdoor activities which would greatly assist this Board in their promoting the area as a recreation destination.

Director Meaux made the motion to recommend Ray Beck to the Jasper County Commissioners Court to be appointed to the Jasper Development District No. 1 to fulfil the term of Director Collins, and to recommend to the Umphrey Pavilion Board that Brenda Job be appointed to their Board and directed Vice President Dally to write a letter of recommendation to that effect. Motion was seconded by Director Castino. Motion carried. Director Dally asked Commissioner Martindale to place the appointment of Candidate Beck on the Commissioners September agenda rather than August agenda to give Candidate Beck time to meet with the Pavilion Board and submit his resignation from the Pavilion Board.

CONSENT AGENDA:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the June 1, 2022, and June 8, 2022, meetings were approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Director Dally presented to the Board his estimates of income and expenses for the year 2021 and through June of 2022. He reported the balance in the bank was \$192,460.00 with about \$14,000.00 in outstanding checks.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Director Dally submitted a bill for \$24.30 of which \$14.30 was for postage and \$10.00 was for a key deposit for the District Post Office Box.

Motion was made by Director Wise and seconded by Director Castino to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed with Director Dally abstaining on his reimbursement.

ACTION ITEMS:

REPORT ON RAYBURN RECREATION DISTRICT

Director Wise reported that members of the District had met with Steve who is working with Jasper County to obtain grant and other federal money for the area and outlined the Recreation District's goals for bringing visitors to the area.

CONSIDERATION OF SEALY BIG BASS SPLASH FALL TOURNAMENT

Director Dally presented the application from Sealy Outdoors for the annual Fall Big Bass Splash which they have held for several years. Motion by Director Meaux to fund the tournament a maximum of \$12,500.00 plus pavilion fees on a sliding scale. Seconded by Director Castino. Passed unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF PAVILION WINTER REPAIRS

Mr. Beck presented bills totaling \$14,463.00 for repairs to the caretakers building, plumbing changes, and tree removal. Director Dally asked why the costs were not covered under the quarterly stipend that was designed to cover ongoing noncapital improvements. Mr. Beck stated that the two contract employees that the pavilion has were \$2,000.00 per month and that the stipend covered their wages.

Director Dally felt that income from the rental fee should cover their salary and that the stipend be used for maintenance. Director Meaux commented that the District had already spent over \$41,000.00 to put the pavilion on Brookeland Fresh Water system and that the pavilion should shoulder part of the cost of the invoice. Director Meaux made the motion to pay \$8,953.00 and that the pavilion would cover the rest of the cost. Seconded by Director Wise. Motioned passed unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF SOUTHEAST TEXAS HIGH SCHOOL TOURNAMENT

Director Dally placed this item on the agenda as the tournament had fished 4 events on the lake according to information from the Pavilion. The tournament had not applied for any funding for 2022 and had not submitted a bill for any payment, and with no application or approval the District could not make any payment should an invoice be presented, nor was the District obligated since no application or approval had been given. Director Meaux felt the District should reach out to the association for clarification and asked Mr. Beck to do so on behalf of the District. Director Meaux made the motion that if the District received an application for 2022 that payment be made based on the previous year amount of \$5,000.00 to a maximum of \$20,000.00 and that no payment would be made for 2023 unless an application is received and approved. Seconded by Director Castino and passed unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF OUTLAW OUTDOOR TOURNAMENTS

Director Dally stated the funding request was the same that was received last year and basically was \$2,500.00 per tournament with the City of Jasper providing \$7,500.00 of funding and the District \$12,000 plus pavilion fees for all tournaments. Director Meaux made the motion to fund the tournament as presented on a sliding scale. Seconded by Director Castino and passed unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF ADJUSTING DISTRICT BOUNDRIES

Director Dally proposed to petition Commissioners Court to adjust the District Boundary from County Road 256 on US 96 to County Road 259 or thereabouts which would include the Country Club RV Park, and him or Director Meaux visit with the District's attorney to assist. Director Meaux had talked with Eddie Hopkins with Jasper Economic Development District and that the RV park is not within their ETJ. Director Meaux also suggested visiting with Mr. Hopkins for information on a petition. Motion by Director Castino to authorize the petition and the District's attorney to assist. Seconded by Director Wise. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEMS AS PRESENTED:

REPORT ON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HOT FUND MEETING

Director Dally attended the meeting and shared the suggested distributions to be presented to the City Council for approval.

POSSIBLE HIGH SCHOOL CHAMPION TOURNAMENT

Mr. Beck reported that National High School Fishing Club had contacted him with interest on having the 2023 championship at the Pavilion in July.

Mr. Beck was furnished with a host agreement for the 2022 tournament as an example and the Board would have to have an application for any consideration and that the District would not be able to furnish some of the requirements on agreement. Director Dally provided a spreadsheet showing that the estimate cost per the agreement would bring the total tournament to over \$90,000.00 including the \$45,000.00 fee. The Board is aware of the tournament and no action can be taken until a formal application is received. The Board took no action on this item.

HOBIE TOURNAMENT

Director Dally presented an email he received from the Hobie Kayak Bass Open tournament after the agenda was posted indicating interest in returning to the Pavilion for a tournament in 2023. Director Dally had forwarded the email to Mr. Beck for pavilion availability as well as to Director Meaux, and he responded favorably and requested a formal application. The Board took no action on this item.

HELICOPTER LANDING PAD

Mr. Beck said he had been approached by several first responder agencies about the possibility of constructing a helicopter landing pad on the pavilion grounds. Several incidents this year have occurred and the current helicopter landing pad at the clinic has some issues that could possibly not be corrected. Mr. Beck was asked about District funding, and he had referred that the question be directed to the Board at some point. The Board took no action on this item.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business Director Castino made the motion to adjourn at 11:45 a.m. Motion was seconded by Director Wise and passed unanimously.