

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 February 12, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. at Rayburn Resort Club House, 2376 Wingate Blvd., Brookeland, Texas, inside the boundaries of the District, to discuss and act upon the following items:

CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Board has adopted H.B. 2840 and set a time limit of 3 minutes for comments.

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, The Board may not discuss or take action on any item that has not been posted on the Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Certification of Quorum notice
2. Certification of Meeting notice

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3. Approval of the December 4, 2023 Minutes
4. Approval of the December 22, 2023 Minutes

EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT

5. Reimbursement

Financial Report

6. Annual District Investment Policy – Ms. Phyllis Herbst District Accountant
7. Financial Report – Ms. Phyllis Herbst District Accountant

Conflict of Interest Forms

8. Director Beck Conflict of Interest Form

ACTION ITEMS

9. Consideration of Texas Team Trail Tournaments
10. Consideration of Coaching Clinic
11. Consideration of GSM Outdoor Tournament
12. Discussion and consideration of letter to tournaments concerning off limits/trailing.
13. Delinquent Lodging Taxpayer update and legal action.
14. Set next meeting date.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

15. Update from Emergency Service District #4
16. Rayburn Recreation District Update – Director Wise
17. Umphrey Family Pavilion Report
18. Tourism Friendly Community Program
19. School Logo Project Update – Director Castino
20. Rayburn Ranch Update
21. Rayburn Resort Update
22. Items as presented. To be placed on the next agenda

ADJOURNMENT

HOLLY THOMAS, COUNTY CLERK
JASPER COUNTY, TEXAS

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By Phyllis Herbst
DEPUTY

MINUTES OF THE JASPER COUNTY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 1

February 12, 2024

The Board of Directors of the Jasper County Development District No. 1 (the District) held a special meeting open to the public on February 12, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. at the Rayburn Resort, 2376 Wingate Blvd. Brookeland, Jasper County Texas, inside the boundaries of the District and the role was called of the duly appointed members of the Board.

BOARD MEMBERS:

Brent Meaux, President	Present
Randall Dally, Vice President	Present
Lisa Wise, Secretary	Present
Jimmy Castino	Absent
Ray Beck	Present

Others in attendance: Phyllis Herbst District Accountant, Brenda Job Pavilion Board Member

CALL TO ORDER:

Director Meaux called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No comments from the public.

CONSENT AGENDA

CERTIFICATION OF MEETING NOTICE:

Director Dally presented the meeting posting certification for the meeting as well as the Quorum.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

No corrections were made to the minutes of December 04, 2023, and December 22, 2024.

EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT:

No expenses were submitted.

DISTRICT INVESTMENT POLICY:

Ms. Herbst left the policy on her desk. The Board policy was unchanged from previous years and the Board authorized Director Dally to complete the form when received from Ms. Herbst.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Ms. Herbst presented to the Board the financial report through November 2023. The District has collected hotel occupancy tax of \$144,029.93, sales tax revenue of \$175,498.94 and interest earnings of \$6,691.33 for a total of \$326,220.20. The District had expended in the same period \$210,697.23 in District Projects (Tourism, Pavilion), legal fees of \$1,980.00, insurance \$1,263.00, Office expense \$728.03, and membership dues of \$675.00 for a total of \$215,343.55.

The District had approximately \$130,000 in the checking account, and \$172,996.13 invested in Texpool.

Director Dally noted December had some large expenditures, and January would have some large expenditures as well.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST FORM:

Director Beck completed the conflict-of-interest form.

MOTION TO PASS THE CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Director Wise to pass the consent agenda. Seconded by Director Dally. Passed unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

CONSIDERATION OF TEXAS TEAM TRAIL TOURNAMENTS:

Director Dally noted that the tournament had filed the application in a timely manner and that he had accidentally left it off the December 4, 2023, agenda. The Board discussed the tournament details and reviewed the 2023 payment scale along with the bonus option.

Motion by Director Wise to use the same scale for 2024 and with a maximum of \$5,000 per tournament and the bonus if met. Seconded by Director Beck and passed unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF THE COACHING CLINIC:

The Board reviewed the request by Coach Prouse for funding for the Coaches Clinic to be held May 31 to June 2, 2024, at Rayburn Resort. Board Members noted that the clinic last year was a success and that fishing had been added to this year's clinic. Director Dally noted that the request was \$2,000, up from last year.

Motion by Director Beck to fund the coaching clinic not to exceed \$6,000. Seconded by Director Wise and passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF LETTER TO TOURNAMENTS CONCERNING LIMITS AND TRAILERING.

The Board reviewed Director's Beck thoughts on trailering and off limits that some tournaments have in effect for their circuits. Director Beck feels that off limits prevented anglers from fishing in the days before the tournament and reducing possible income to the District. Director Beck also felt the trailering rule and not a controlled launch from the pavilion allowed anglers to bypass the District's area if no or a small weight amount of fish were caught. Director Beck noted that in extreme weather conditions trailering was necessary and that was not the issue, or would it be.

Director Dally commented that he thought the trailering rule was the bigger issue as many of the smaller tournaments were local anglers and that the out-of-town anglers (more than 3 hours from the lake) were a small portion of the tournament. The Board reviewed a couple of tournaments for distance and participation. The Board discussed several options and would continue to refine the change in policy and would revisit it at the next Board Meeting.

DELINQUENT LODGING TAXPAYER UPDATE

Director Dally informed the Board that the efforts last year netted 18 new taxpayers to the District, and that several properties notified had removed their listings from the rental platforms. Director Dally stated that 9 properties were still listed and had either refused their notification letters or had accepted the notice and were still not in compliance. Director Dally stated 1 of the 9 properties had an address issue and was being worked on. Director Dally asked the Board for him and Director Meaux to meet with the attorney and map out a plan to bring the 8 into compliance. Director Meaux stated that the attorney should take the lead from this point and be the point of contact for those properties.

Motion by Director Beck for Director Meaux and Director Dally to meet with the Boards Attorney to proceed forward with legal action. Seconded by Director Wise. Passed unanimously.

SET NEXT MEETING DATE:

The Board discussed several dates and that the audit report would soon be completed. The Board set the next meeting date of April 8, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. at Rayburn Resort.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

UPDATE FROM EMERGENCY SERVICE DISTRICT #4:

Director Meaux updated the Board on the opening of the Charles Gee fire training facility and that it is anticipated to be used by area departments as well as the local college.

RAYURN RECREATIONAL DISTRICT UPDATE:

Director Wise noted that this year's Big Bass Splash would be the 40th anniversary event and participation would be huge. The Board commented on the Hobie Tournament held the past weekend and some of the weather conditions affecting the kayaks and Director Beck noted that the FLW tournament that weekend warned its participants of the kayaks on the lake as well.

UMPHREY FAMILY PAVILION UPDATE:

Ms. Job informed the Board that the Pavilion Board would be meeting that evening and working on a 5-year as well as a 25-year plan, which probably will include District participation in some projects. The Pavilion had also passed the Corps of Engineers inspection with two minor corrections. The replacement dock has been installed.

TOURISM FRIENDLY COMMUNITY PROJECT:

The Board noted the program.

SCHOOL LOGO PROJECT:

Director Dally and Director Castino visited both schools in early January and fielded questions from each school. It is expected that by May 1 both schools will have their entries in.

RAYBURN GARDEN RANCH UPDATE:

The Board noted the Rayburn Garden Ranch was open and had used the funds approved in the December 22, 2023, meeting.

RAYBURN RESORT UPDATE:

The Board noted the continued improvements to the resort.

ITEMS AS PRESENTED:

Director Dally had the appreciation trophy that he had accepted on Sunday from the FLW for the Tackle Warehouse Tournament. Director Meaux will take the trophy to the Chamber for display.

No other items were presented.

AJOURNMENT:

Motion by Director Beck to adjourn the meeting at 11:27 a.m. Seconded by Director Wise. Passed unanimously.