#### 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, Monday, July 15, at 10:00 a.m. at the Rayburn Club House, 212 Country Club Drive, Brookeland, Jasper County, Texas, inside the boundaries of the District, to discuss and if appropriate, act upon the following items:

#### CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Certification of meeting notice
- 2. Oath of office to directors Collins and Castino
- 3. Reorganization of the Board

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4. Approval of minutes from May 7, 2019

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

5. Financial report from Bookkeeper

#### **PAYMENT OF BILLS**

6. Payment as presented at the meeting

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

- 7. Consideration of Bass Champs 2020 Tournaments
- 8. Consideration of funding request from Chamber
- 9. Consideration of yearly investment policy
- 10. Request attorney opinion on funding golfing tournaments and repairs to golf course
- 12 Consideration of District Insurance Policy

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- 13. House Bill 2840
- 14. Pavilion Big Ass Fan
- 15. Other items that may be presented
- 16. Adjournment

# MINUTES OF JASPER COUNTY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 July 15, , 2019

The Board of Directors of the Jasper County Development District No. 1 (the District) held a special meeting, open to the public, on July 15, 2019 at 10 a.m. at the Rayburn Clubhouse, 212 Country Club Blvd., Brookeland, Texas, inside the boundaries of the District, and the roll was called of the duly appointed members of the Board.

**Members Present** 

Gary Collins Present
Brent Meaux Absent
Randall Dally Present
Charles Burke Present
Molly Thacker Present

Jimmy Castino Present and sworn in to replace Director Burke

Others in attendance were: Ray Beck; Umphrey Pavilion Director, Charles Burke former Board member

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

#### **CERTIFICATION OF PUBLIC NOTICE**

Director Collins presented the Board with the public notice certification indicating the time, date, meeting place and agenda to be considered by the Board. The agenda was posted on the JCDD web site, at the Jasper County Court House, Piney Point Plaza Post Office and Rayburn Clubhouse.

#### **OATH OF OFFICE:**

The oath of office was given to Directors Collins and Castino by Director Dally for the upcoming four-year term. The documents were certified and witnessed by a Notary and filed in the District documents.

#### **FARWELL COMMENTS BY DIRECTOR BURKE:**

Director Burke expressed his appreciation to the Board for allowing him to serve. He stated it was a pleasure serving on a Board that worked so closely together to accomplish a variety of projects which enhanced the economy and tourism in the Lake Sam Rayburn and Jasper Community. Even though sometimes we did not all agree on an issue, we worked through it calmly and reached the best conclusion possible.

The Directors became some of the best friends with whom I have ever worked and I will always remember this experience. I could never have found better friends to work with. When Gary asked me to consider serving on the board, he explained that that tax monies were used to do only good things for the community. As I leave the Board, I would like to say "Keep doing the good things. Our community will continue to prosper and grow because of what this Board is doing."

#### **REORGINAZATIONO OF THE BOARD:**

The following officers were selected by the Board: Director Collins, President; Director Dally Vice President; Director Meaux, Secretary. It was noted by the Board that a Treasurer position was not needed as Phyllis Herbst will continue as District bookkeeper.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes May 7, 2019 were approved as submitted.

#### **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

The financial report was presented by Phyllis Herbst, District Bookkeeper, which stated the following as of July 15, 2019. The cash balance in the bank was \$129,858.84; the investment in Texpool was \$63,862.04 for a total of all funds of \$193,720.88. That did not include the loan to Rayburn Clinic with a balance outstanding of \$39,224.01.

#### **PAYMENT OF BILLS:**

Invoices were presented for the Audit firm of McCall Gibson Swedlund Barfoot PLLC in The amount of \$3,850.00 for the 2018 audit. An invoice from Arthur Gallagher & Co. was presented in the amount of \$1,395.00 for the District Director's liability insurance

The above Consent Agenda items were approved on a motion by Director Dally with a second from Director Thacker with a unanimous vote of the Board.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### Consideration of Bass Champs Funding Request for 2020:

Documentation was presented from Bass Champs requesting \$9 per team for the Bass Champs tournaments held on Lake Rayburn during 2020. After a short discussion, the Board approved the request on a motion by Director Dally with a second from Director Thacker with a unanimous vote of the Board.

## **Consideration of Financial Request From Jasper Chamber of Commerce:**

The Chamber requested \$,8,000 for printed and social media material, brochures, promotional items for visitors, Facebook advertising, web site maintenance and newspaper advertisements regarding Chamber activities and services. This is the same request that was approved last year.

The request was approved on a motion by Director Thacker with a second from Director Dally with a unanimous vote of the Board.

### **Consideration of Yearly Investment Policy:**

The Board was presented the investment policy procedure from Phyllis Herbst, bookkeeper, which was the same as previous years. Without deliberation, the Board approved the yearly investment policy without change on a motion by Director Dally with a second from Director Dally with a unanimous vote of the Board

## Request for District's Attorney Regarding Funding of Golfing Group Promotions:

This item was placed on the agenda to request the District's attorney to provide an opinion to funding of certain golfing groups involving large groups. The opinion would involve such things as providing funding to be used for meals in the area restaurants, hotels and other commercial establishments with the District's boundaries. It is to be approached in the same manner as funding is currently provided for the fishing tournaments. The Board is well aware of the stipulation of providing funding for private ventures, and wants to avoid that conflict. President Collins is the request the Attorney's opinion prior to the next meeting of the Board. This item was approved on a motion by Director Dally with a second from Director Castino with a unanimous vote of the Board.

## **Consideration of District's Insurance Policy:**

The Board then considered the District's insurance policy which included Director's liability insurance. This is the same insurance policy offered by Gallagher & Co. that the District has used since inception in 2005. The yearly cost of the insurance is \$1,395.00. There being no discussion because the Directors have been provided a copy of the policy by email, it was approved on a unanimous vote of the Board which followed a motion by Director Castino with a second by Director Dally.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

#### Big Ass Fan Update:

Ray Beck presented the Board with an update on the Big Ass Fan previously approved by the Board for the Pavilion. Ray provided a copy of a letter from the Corps of Engineers stating that they approved the installation of such a fan along with some electrical requirements. Those requirements have been met and the fan should be installed within the month.

#### House Bill 2840:

Director Dally provided the Board with a summary of HB 2840 which mandated Boards to provide opportunity for comments on agenda items from the public. It also suggested a time limit of 3 minutes per speaker. Since this item was not on the agenda it will be included on the next agenda.

## Promotional Video For Rayburn Area:

Director Collins informed the Board that he had asked the FLW fishing tournament to provide a bid on providing a promotional video of the area when they came in January 2020. The Board was informed that Eddie Hopkins, JEDCO, had just finished such a video and that the information should be checked with Eddie Hopkins at the Chamber. Director Colling then withdrew his suggestion for obtaining a video and was to talk with the Chamber regarding the video that was commissioned by them.

## **Check Balances and Accounting:**

Director Thacker then questioned the District's accounting processes as she wanted to make sure the District was in compliance with all accounting due processes. She was informed about the detailed procedures currently used by the District and the records that were kept by the bookkeeper along with the unofficial records kept by Director Collins. She was referred to Phyllis Herbst, bookkeeper, for a discussion of the District processes.

There being no other business to come before the District, it adjourned on a motion by Director Dally with a second by Director Castino with a unanimous vote of the Board at 11:10 a.m.