Minutes of Regular Meeting Board of Directors El Paso County Water Improvement District No. 1 (EPCWID1) March 10, 2021

DIRECTORS PRESENT	EMPLOYEES PRESENT
Art Ivey, Vice-President	Jesus Reyes, General Manager
Larry Ceballos, Secretary	Jay Ornelas, Assistant District Engineer
George Brooks, Assistant Secretary	Mary Cortez, Chief Financial Officer
Miguel Teran, Director	Lisa Aguilar, Chief Administrative Officer
DIRECTORS NOT PRESENT	Rose Rodriguez, Tax Assessor/Collector/Office Manager
Johnny Stubbs, President	Pete Rodriguez, Maintenance Manager
	Robert Rios, Water Master
LEGAL COUNSEL	Sharon Atilano, Engineering Assistant
Jim Speer, Attorney At Law (via telephone)	
Phil Bowen, Attorney At Law (via telephone)	GUESTS
Maria O'Brien Attorney At Law (via zoom)	Jerry Melendez, USBR (via telephone)
Renea Hicks, Attorney At Law (via zoom)	Robert Kimpel, visitor, (via telephone)
DISTRICT ENGINEER	
Dr. Al Blair, District Engineer (via	

1. Call to order and establishment of a quorum.

There being a quorum of Directors present, the meeting was called to order by Vice-President Art Ivey at 9:00 a.m., and the Directors then proceeded to consider the following.

- 2. Welcome of guests. No action was taken on this item.
- 3. Minutes of February 10, 2021 meeting of the Board of Directors.

After a motion by Larry Ceballos, seconded by Miguel Teran, duly considered and carried by unanimous vote of the Board the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED: that the draft minutes of the Regular meeting held on February 10, 2021 are approved.

- 4. Report and recommendations by Lisa Aguilar, Chief Administrative Officer/Election Officer, concerning office operations, and elections:

 None
- 5. Report and recommendations by Mary Cortez, Chief Financial Officer, concerning financial information, expenditures, budget, and investment policy:
 - a. Financial Report. No action was taken on this item.
 - b. \$500.00 Expenditure Report. No action was taken on this item.
 - c. Legal & Consulting Fees Budget Report. No action was taken on this item.
- 6. Report and recommendations by Rose Rodriguez, Tax Assessor/Collector/Office Manager, concerning adjustments and corrections, if any, to assessments, taxes, and charges by EPCWID1.
 - a. Review tax report and adjustments- The tax report was reviewed, and the following are the tax adjustments for the month of January.

After a motion by Miguel Teran, seconded by Larry Ceballos, duly considered and carried by unanimous vote of the Board, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS: Rose Rodriguez, Tax Assessor/Collector/Office Manager for EPCWID1 recommends adjustments or corrections to the tax rolls reviewed during the month of January 2021;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the following adjustments and corrections have been reviewed, approved and are attached to these minutes:

- 1. Spence John & Chris & Greg J, 2000; and
- 2. County of El Paso (LVWD Assignment), 2020.
- b. 2013-2020 City of El Paso Texas on behalf of El Paso Public Service Board Assignments, 2013-2019 Lower Valley Water District Assignments and Report on tax suits. No action was taken on this item.
- c. Comparison of EPCWID1 Tax assessments and collection during 2019 and 2020 for the month. No action was taken on this item.
- 7. General Manager's report concerning the following:
 - a. Update on EPCWID1 operations during COVID 19. No action was taken on this item.
- 8. District Engineer's report and recommendations concerning the following:
 - a. Rio Grande Project Operating Agreement Accounting. No action was taken on this item.
 - **b. Rio Grande Compact Accounting.** No action was taken on this item.
 - c. Rio Grande Project Water Supply and Water Allocations. No action was taken on this item.
 - d. Status of 3rd Party Construction in District Canals and Drains.

 No action was taken on this item.

9. Maintenance Manager's report and recommendations concerning the following:

Drain maintenance program and water delivery system. No action was taken on this item.

10. Water Master's report and recommendations concerning the following:

Water use and availability. No action was taken on this item.

- 11. Water delivery allocations to EPCWID1 water users and water available by contract. No action was taken on this item.
- 12. Subdivision Plats within District Boundary requirement in License Manual:
 - a. Application 3000, by Del Rio Engineering, Inc, for Hidden Gardens Village Subdivision, being Tract 1E, 1E2, 1F, 2B, and 3C1, block 9, Upper Valley Surveys, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas containing 8.4118 acres, Submission of Irrigable Land Exhibit

After a motion by Miguel Teran, seconded by George Brooks, duly considered and carried by unanimous vote of the Board the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED: that application 3000, by Del Rio Engineering, Inc, for Hidden Gardens Village Subdivision, being Tract 1E, 1E2, 1F, 2B, and 3C1, block 9, Upper Valley Surveys, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas containing 8.4118 acres, for a submission of an irrigable land exhibit is approved.

- 13. Applications for License for Use of District Real Property: None
- 14. Sale of Surplus District Real Property under 49.226 of the Texas Water Code: **None**
- 15. Any or all of the items shown on the attached Closed Meeting Agenda.

 The Board then entered into a closed session at 10:02 a.m. regarding

the items to be considered in closed session as shown on the Notice of Public Meeting. The Board subsequently returned to the open session at 11:14 a.m. with no action having been taken in the closed session.

- 16. Consideration of agenda items for next regular board meeting.
- 17. **Adjournment**. On motion duly made, seconded and carried, the Board Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Larry Ceballos, Secretary