## MINUTES HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 71

## April 25, 2016

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 71 (the "District") met in special session, open to the public, on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016, at the District Administration Building, 21437 Clay Road, Katy, Texas, inside the boundaries of the District, and the roll was called of the members of the Board:

Katrina Thornhill

President

Pam Kerr

Vice President

Mary DuBois

Secretary

Jennifer Elms

**Assistant Secretary** 

Phillip Smith, Jr.

Assistant Vice President

and all of the above were present, thus constituting a quorum.

Also present were James Woodring and Scott Barr of Regional Water Corporation ("RWC"); Nick Cooke of Mike Stone Associates, Inc. ("MSA"); Rodney Heisch of Brown & Gay Engineers, Inc. ("B&G"); and Katie Carner of Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP ("ABHR").

Director Thornhill called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.076, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, TO DELIBERATE THE DEPLOYMENT, OR SPECIFIC OCCASIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF SECURITY PERSONNEL OR DEVICES

The Board did not convene in executive session.

#### **MINUTES**

The Board considered approving the minutes of the March 31, 2016 special meeting. Following review and discussion, Director Smith moved to approve the minutes. Director Elms seconded the motion, which passed by a vote of 4 to 0, with Director DuBois abstaining from voting.

# REPORT ON PARK, LANDSCAPE AND LAKE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR AND DEVELOPMENT OF DISTRICT LAKES, PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

Mr. Cooke reviewed a Park and Landscape Management Report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes, and reported on maintenance completed, including landscape maintenance and irrigation inspection, emergency items repaired at Bundy

Lake Park under \$500, and pending and scheduled repair and maintenance items at Director's Park, Bundy Lake, District detention ponds, District common areas and the administration building.

Mr. Cooke first discussed routine maintenance and updated the Board regarding previously approved repairs at Directors Park, and presented the following proposals:

- 1. Proposal No. DP-2016-10; Installation of 45-gallon cedar elm in the amount of \$933.16; and
- 2. Proposal No. DP-2016-11; Installation of 3 cubic yards of soil and 2 pallets of Zoysia sod in the amount of \$1,298.92.

Following review and discussion, Director Thornhill moved to approve the proposals above. The motion was seconded by Director Smith and passed unanimously.

Mr. Cooke next discussed routine maintenance and previously approved repairs at Bundy Lake Park, including relocation of ducks, power washing of the pedestrian bridge and installation of additional parking lot lighting, and presented Proposal No. BL-2016-08 in the amount of \$5,427.67 to remove an existing elm tree on the island at Bundy Lake and install 3 45-gallon cedar elms and 2 live oak trees with irrigation bubblers for each tree. Mr. Cooke noted that the contractor cannot stump grind the existing tree trunk without damaging the island bulkhead and will do the below grade work with a chainsaw. Following review and discussion, Director Smith moved to approve Proposal No. BL-2016-08. The motion was seconded by Director DuBois and passed unanimously.

Mr. Cooke reviewed 2 alternatives for installation of wireless, programmable control systems for the Bundy Lake fountain lighting system. After discussion, Director Smith requested that MSA obtain additional proposals for a wired, programmable system. The Board took no action on Proposal Nos. BL-2016-09 and BL-2016-10.

The Board then discussed fountain and lake management issues, including replacement of chewed wires for Lone Star Lake fountain.

The Board next discussed the status of trails under construction at Lone Star Lake, including installation of furnishings and budgets for Phase 2 of the Lone Star Lake recreational facilities development. Director Smith said the fountains at Mirror Lake have been off since the recent heavy rain and flooding event and asked that MSA look at that fountain to see if repair is required.

#### **OPERATION OF DISTRICT FACILITIES**

Mr. Woodring reported that Alsay, Inc. is investigating vibration in well no. 2, which is still under warranty.

The Board concurred to defer discussion regarding a proposed operating contract amendment. Mr. Woodring said RWC is checking with RWC's insurance carrier regarding required insurance.

The Board also discussed with Mr. Woodring revising the previously approved 2015 water audit report to reflect 100% ground water use.

Director Smith also discussed RWC's follow up to a resident email reporting fence damage and high grass. Mr. Barr stated that three fence pickets need to be replaced.

The Board discussed recent flooding in Bridgewater Village Enclave and collapse of the crossing bridge at Clay Road and Mason Road.

### ANNUAL REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF WATER CONSERVATION PLAN

The District's operator reviewed the Water Conservation Plan annual report and 5-year implementation report on the Water Conservation Plan with the Board. After review and discussion, Director Kerr moved to approve the annual report and 5-year implementation report on the Water Conservation Plan, direct that the reports be filed appropriately and retained in the District's official records, and authorize the District Operator to submit the reports to the appropriate government agencies. Director Elms seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote.

#### **ENGINEERING MATTERS**

Mr. Heisch updated the Board regarding a pending repair of a sinkhole at Afton Forest.

Mr. Heisch reported on the status of improvements at water plant nos. 1 and 2 and a revised contractor schedule for contract completion. He also discussed a proposed change order for replacement of a 16" butterfly valve and said he would bring the change order to the May regular meeting.

Director Thornhill requested BGE follow up with the contractor regarding storm water pollution fencing for Mason Road Sanitary Sewer Extension, Phase 1 and a depression near the corner of Morton Road and Mason Road.

## SUMMER SPLASH AND WATER SMART EVENT

The Board discussed planning for a possible summer community event on or about July 30 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and requested that RWC bring planning information to the next special meeting.

### **ACTION LIST**

The Board reviewed and discussed items removed and added to the Action List.

#### AGENDA FOR MAY 2016 REGULAR MEETING

The Board confirmed its regular meeting on May 9, 2016 and discussed agenda items. The Board also confirmed special meetings on May 16, 2016 and May 31, 2016.

# <u>DIRECTORS AND DISTRICT CONSULTANT'S REPORTS ABOUT DISTRICT OPERATIONS</u>

Director Smith discussed a recent Association of Water Board Directors Spring breakfast seminar.

There being no additional business to consider, Director Thornhill moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:16 p.m. Director Smith seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Secretary, Board of Directors

